



Washington Fly Fishing Club

October 5, 2021
Virtual Board Meeting

	OFFICERS			COMMITTEE CHAIRS	
Jim Goedhart	President	P	Bill Neal	Awards	
Dexter Brown	1st VP - Membership	P	Robert Thorpe	Conservation	P
Neal Hoffberg	2nd VP - Programs	P	David Ehrich	Creel Notes	
Lily Cutler	3rd VP - Christmas Party		Neal Hoffberg	Education	P
David Spratt	Treasurer	P	Pat Becker	Fruit & Flowers	
Deborah Katz	Secretary	P	Robert Thorpe	IFFF Coordinator	P
Marcia Kindinger	1 st Ghillie	P	Dave Schorsch	Outings	
Ben Porter	2 nd Ghillie (non-voting)		Bob Birkner	Photographer	
	TRUSTEES		Cooper Hartman	Publicity	
John Gravendyk	Past President	P	Lily Cutler	Raffle	
Tom Neu	Trustee		Pete Baird	Senior Advisor	P
Jim Young	Trustee	P	Matt Reat	Webmaster	
Gary Bergquist	Trustee	P	Eugene Bloundel	Webmaster	
Dick Brening	Trustee		Chuck Ballard	WFFC Heritage	P
John Narver	Trustee		John Gravendyk	WFFC Foundation	P
Greg Crumbaker	Trustee		John Gravendyk	Youth	P
	GUESTS				

P = Present

President

President Jim Goedhart opened the meeting at 7:05 p.m. with a quorum of eight officers and trustees. The minutes of September 7th . 2021 board meeting were approved without corrections.

Committee Reports:

Youth

John Gravendyk

John Gravendyk reported that we have received a thank you from the Youth Fly Fishing and Conservation Academy for the financial support that WFFC has provided.



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The board is trying to decide about planning for 2022. The decision needs to be made by the end of November 2021 in order to start recruiting volunteers and publicizing the event.

One significant question is whether or not they can mandate vaccinations for attendees. Because it is a TU sponsored event, TU lawyers say that they must follow local regulations.

We continue to make in-roads with StreamGirls which is another TU supported organization. Pat Hesselgesser is the new head.

Webmaster

Jim Goedhart reported on an effort to keep the bogus applicants from showing up on the member roster. First efforts were not successful at distinguishing actual applicants to the numerous bogus attempts.

Nominating committee has been trying to contact Cooper Hartman.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

Treasurer Dave Spratt

Dave Spratt reported current balance in the checking account, less recent charitable contributions and speaker fee stipends.

He needs names and addresses to send out two pending obligations.

Jim Young suggested letting the rest of the membership know about charitable contributions.

Education and Programs:

Neal Hoffberg

Neal announced John Shanner as October speaker who will be speaking on North Country spiders which were the original flies.

Neal gave an up-date on the anticipated program in spring 2022 from Wa State Council, Federation of Fly Fishers. They are primarily in need of a few volunteers to handle the registration desk and beginning fly casting class.



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The skills challenge will be handled by the Eastside group.

Sam Mattalone will be organizing fly tying.

Neal has reached out to the church regarding WFFC use of the room for fly tying class in person. He suggested sending out a survey to see how many people would be willing to participate in person. According to Pete Baird, the church doesn't currently have a specific requirement. Masks would be required due to the small size of the room.

The beginning fly fishing class will be held in February.

Fly casting class:

Tom Cammeratta charges \$200/hour/10 people.

Walt Swanson is no longer driving at night.

Is a CI really necessary for a beginning fly casting class? Probably not.

Location is still up in the air.

Holiday Fundraiser:

Jim Goedhart reported that he has been loading auction items into the Greater Giving site. Lily is editing.

First Ghillie - Marcia Kindinger

No October meeting on-site.

OLD BUSINESS

Fundraiser:

The nominating committee is still looking for 3rd VP Chair of the Fundraiser. They are considering doing it as a committee. Jim Goedhart has volunteered to be the point person, if the fund-raiser is managed by committee.

WFFC Foundation:



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Marcie Kindinger reported on the pending status of the 501- C3 reinstatement. The “EZ” form has been filed “and now we need to wait” up to 90 days.

This will become problematic regarding Raise the Paddle solicitations.

Marcie has been in touch with Bill Neal about the state report.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Mike Wearne has set up Lake Hannan for October 16th. The gate WILL be unlocked and the building will be open for use of the restrooms. Sign up is already on the web-site
- b. Seattle Tennis Club has to implement vaccinations or COVID testing per the state for employees so there is no guarantee that employees will be vaccinated. If attendees are required to be vaccinated, it is not clear who will verify vaccination status.
- c. It was suggested that there be an attempt to hold the November meeting in person. If 25 people sign up by the Friday before, the meeting will be in person. (not sure how this resolved.)
- d. Holiday fundraiser and dinner - after much discussion it was decided that the silent auction and Raise the Paddle (if Foundation status is confirmed) would proceed on-line. The holiday dinner meeting would be held on December 14th and would be primarily social with a raffle for fly boxes.
- e. Jim Goedhart has offered to have the November 2nd board meeting at his house starting at 5:30. This will be an opportunity to look over the items for the fundraiser.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25

Deborah Katz, WFFC secretary.



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