

# Spring Creek Chapter of Trout Unlimited

## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: 6 February 2017

Reported by: Scott Brumbaugh

- Meeting called to order by Vierck at 1903
- Attendance:
  - Ed Zweig
  - Dave Dudukovich
  - Mark Pencak
  - Jim Hepner
  - Judi Sittler
  - Mario Carrello
  - Bob Vierck
  - Scott Brumbaugh
- Review of Secretary's Minutes
  - Amendments: 1 from Vierck to copy an action item down
  - Motion to Approve: Sittler
  - Second: Dudukovich
- Review of Treasurer's Report
  - Amendments: NONE
  - Chapter net worth = \$60393.13
  - Endowment value = \$18600.35
  - Motion to Approve: Sittler
  - Second: Dudukovich
- Old Business
  - Action Item Review:
    - Mitchell will contact Kish Bank to see if we can apply to get on the list of approved charities.
      - Kish Bank is not currently accepting new charitable organizations at this time. SCCTU was placed in 'the queue' if they ever decide to accept new organizations.
    - Dudukovich and Sowers will meet to find a prize to donate to the Wildlife Society fundraising banquet.
      - No suitable prize was found. A \$50 check was sent to the Wildlife Society.
    - Carry forward: Brumbaugh to ask PFBC: "Were fish stocked into the Class A section of Sixmile Run and were gill lice found?"
      - We don't think we can get an answer from PFBC on this issue. Closed.
    - Carry forward: Brumbaugh to ask PFBC: "What rules exist / who enforces where co-op hatcheries are allowed to stock fish?"

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- New Business
  - Carrello proposed that Sittler receive a chapter credit card.
    - If Sittler were to obtain a credit card, she could no longer be the 'assistant treasurer' that independently reviews the accounts.
    - Motion: Carrello
    - Second: Hepner
    - The motion passed unanimously.
  - Carrello proposed that Jim Hepner become the new 'assistant treasurer' / financial reviewer.
    - Motion: Carrello
    - Second Dudukovich
    - The motion passed unanimously.
  - George Harvey Award
    - Vierck made a motion to nominate Joe Boston for the 2017 George Harvey Award (to be awarded at the SCCTU annual banquet).
    - Second: Pencak
    - The motion passed unanimously.
  - "Welcome Bag" for new members (discussion by Sittler)
    - Sittler presented a cloth bag and bottle that could be imprinted with the SCCTU logo. The idea would be to use the items to create a welcome package to give to new members.
    - 250 bags would cost ~\$2.00 each + setup fee
    - 200 water bottles would cost ~ \$2.00 each + setup fee
    - The item was tabled for discussion at the next BOD meeting.
  - Legislative and Planning (Brumbaugh)
    - Hanson Oak Hall Quarry
      - SCCTU participated in the public meeting January 27 at Mt. Nittany School.
      - SCCTU also sent supplementary comments to DEP via letter.
      - Hanson offered to meet with SCCTU either at a general membership meeting or in a smaller group.
      - It was decided that SCCTU would ask to meet with Hanson in a small setting.
        - Invitees: Vierck, Carrello, Sittler, and Brumbaugh + 1 other invite (maybe Kempf or Yoxtheimer)
        - Date: TBD
    - PFBC
      - PFBC voted to make Bald Eagle Creek Class A, and continue stocking it.
  - Banquet (Dudukovich)
    - The banquet is scheduled for 25 March 2017.

- The general ticket price is \$50 each, but a table of 10 is \$450.
  - A basket of cheer will be collected for donation to the banquet.
  - The 'credit card squares' will be used again.
  - Tammy Miller will be the auctioneer.
  - Bill Brusse will be the banquet emcee.
  - Bid for a Cause
    - Ideas
      - Stream restoration project
      - Purchase a tractor for site stewardship at Fisherman's Paradise
      - Support the Clearwater Meyer / Everhart meadow project
    - The matter will be discussed further at the next banquet meeting on Saturday.
  - George Harvey Creel: Bob Carline will write a letter of authenticity.
  - SCCTU will donate a youth fly fishing outfit to the YMCA in return for a 'YMCA family membership' donation from the YMCA
  - A photographer for the banquet has not been settled yet.
  - Order of the Sulphur
    - Nominees:
      - Rick Van Horn
      - Bill Brusse
  - Next banquet meeting: 0900 on Saturday (11 February) at Dudukovich's house
- Outreach and Youth Education (Sittler)
  - Women Anglers
    - 4 members volunteered last Saturday at the PFBC Women's Introduction to Fly Fishing
    - In February, the Women Angler's will host a Joe Humphrey's film festival
    - The March meeting will be held at the Schlowe library.
    - The April meeting will be a guided trip with Tom Doman.
  - Get Outdoors
    - Clearwater has created 'Centred Outdoor Challenge', a program that will run from Spring to Fall 2017. Clearwater would like to kick-off the program on June 11 at the Get Outdoors event. We agreed this was a good idea.
  - YMCA Fill the Back-Packs
    - The YMCA asked if SCCTU could help pack food bags.
    - An email will be sent out to ask for volunteers.
- VSP
  - Shelves have been added to the shed.
  - An inventory of items in the shed has been made.
  - 28 people attended the mental health conference.

- Membership Committee
  - No committee update.
- Social Committee (Pencak)
  - Ernie Demascus is scheduled to give the April presentation, but he hasn't provided a presentation overview yet.
- Conservation (Vierck / Carrello)
  - Sparrow Run: SCCTU, US Fish & Wildlife, and the landowner met. The landowner was pleased with the site design. Grant submittal is in process.
    - 'Habitat Forever' will do the device design and permit submittal.
- Meeting adjournment: 2103
  - Adjourned by Vierck at
  - Motion: Dudukovich
  - Second: Carrello
- Action Items:
  - Vierck will include an agenda item at the next BOD meeting to discuss large expenditures and meals.
  - Vierck will contact Ernie Demascus to get a presentation overview for the April meeting.