

Spring Creek Chapter of Trout Unlimited

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: May 07, 2018

Reported by: Frances Stevenson

- Meeting called to order by **Lynn Mitchell** at: 7:04pm
- Attendance: Lynn Mitchell
Ford Stryker
Mario Carrello
Fran Stevenson
Bob Vierck
Paula Sowers
Kate Lemon
Bob Caccesse
Jim Lanning
Mark Pencak
Jamie San Filippo
- Review of April Board Meeting Secretary's Minutes –**Fran Stevenson**
 - Amendments: None
 - Motion to Approve: Bob Vierck
 - Second: Kate Lemon
- Review of April Treasurer's Report –**Mario Carrello**
 - A 13 month \$25,000 Certificate of Deposit, due 5/16/2019 was purchased by using ½ of the balance from the checking account and ½ of the balance from the money market account. **Mario** asked how we will spend the healthy balance in the accounts. It was stated that we need a big project. **Bob Vierck** asked if the \$101,721.14 included the endowment. **Mario** stated it does not. **Mario** advised that \$2000.00 was sent to Penns Valley TIC.
 - Amendments: None
 - Motion to Approve: Bob Caccesse
 - Second: Paula Sowers
- Action Items
 - Banquet – **Paula Sowers** (Wrap Up, 2019 Leadership)
 - The tax letter has been sent
 - The letter apologizing for the poor food and service has been sent
 - The 2019 Banquet will be held on March 23rd at Mountain View Country Club
 - A new chairperson is still needed for the 2019 Banquet
 - **Lynn Mitchell** stated the new chair does not need to be a member of the board
 - **Jim Lanning** suggested that Chyanne Rosenbaum be asked
 - It was suggested that Roger Garthwaite be asked

- **Paula Sowers** suggested a new type of fund raising event be considered instead of a sit down dinner
 - **Kate Lemon** suggested a volunteer recognition event be considered
- Old Business –
 - Nestle Bottled Water Plant (Wrap Up) – **Mitchell/Vierck/Lanning/Stryker**
 - The Nestles project is officially off the table as Nestles is no longer interested in the Spring Township site.
 - **Jim Lanning** advised that the Project Manager will contact SCCTU if Nestles has an interest in any Centre County sites in the future
 - **Bob Vierck** recommends that if Nestles has an interest in any Centre County sites in the future that Mike Smith, DEP Hydrologist and District Mine Manager, be consulted
- New Business
 - UAJA Permit to discharge re-use water into Slab Cabin Run (Possible Updates)
 - Cory Miller does not know when DEP will respond
 - Centre Gives Campaign – May 2018 – **B. Vierck/J. SanFilippo**
 - Computers will be set up at the YMCA from Noon until 1:00pm for people to donate to SCCTU.
 - Joe Humphreys will be in attendance to sign his newest edition of Trout Tactics
 - A fly log and charts will be used to identify aquatic insects
 - Pizza and beverages will be available for those attending
- Committee Reports
 - Education/Youth (Local and Mifflin County) – **Jamie SanFilippo**
 - **Lynn Mitchell** reported he attended the Mifflin County Ecology Day
 - The 2 eleventh Grade Classes were present which included 385 students
 - **Jim Lanning** Hosted the Mifflin County High School at Spring Creek Canyon with PFBC, DCNR, YMCA, Clearwater Conservancy and the Penns Valley Conservation Association for fishing and casting instruction
 - Judi Sittler is working with the 7th grade class at Penns Valley
 - **Jim Lanning** made the motion to donate 40 SCCTU water bottles to Stream Girls. **Bob Vierck** seconded the motion. Training will be provided on May 5th and 6th to volunteers who will be working with Stream Girls at the Sieg Center in July
 - Women Anglers – **Fran Stevenson**
 - On Sunday, April 15, fly fishing guide Tom Doman, volunteered his expertise and helped nine Women Anglers fish Penn’s Creek. He provided flies, assisted in rigging the rods and provided on-the water instruction. Despite the overcast day, the rain held off. Fish were caught and everyone had fun. The next outing is scheduled for Sunday, May 20 from 5:00 to 7:00pm at Benner Springs Hatcher at Spring Creek. Fishing instruction and assistance will be provided. RSVP to Diane Brown. Future Women Angler fishing dates: 6/3, 6/24, 7/22, 8/19, 9/16 and 10/14. A request was made for volunteers for the Girl Scout fishing programs: 4/21, 6/30 thru 7/2.

- VSP – **Jim Lanning**
 - Bob Vierck and Jamie San Filippo will be working with the Spring Mills YMCA to complete an aquatic pond that will hold Bass, Crappy, Perch and Blue Gills
 - On Sunday, May 6, Joe Humphreys attended the streamside mentor training. Joe Humphreys will mentor Jamie San Filippo
 - In June members of the Donigal TU will attend a VSP and will be present for the Mike Marcinak Award
- Membership and PR – **Paula Sowers**
 - SCCTU received \$225.00 from TU National to reimburse for free memberships provided at \$17.50 each
- Social – Mark **Pencak**
 - June 3rd is “Get Outdoors”. Jim Lanning will ask Roger Garthwaite to donate hotdogs. Chips and condiments will be purchased from Sam’s Club. Volunteers are still needed. Bottled water will not be offered this year. Water will be provided in large coolers
 - The Social at Mt. Nittany Winery is scheduled for August 31st
 - The presentation at the October general meeting will be provided by a retired PSU professor specializing in climate change
 - **Mark** questions why there is not better attendance for the general meetings and asked what can be done to attract more people. He feels that SCCTU a doing a good job getting out the information
 - The September general meeting is scheduled to be held on August 30th and the Board Meeting will be held on September 10th
 - **Jamie San Filippo** suggests that a quarterly or semi-annual paper newsletter be sent and the dates of all meetings and events be included
- Conservation – **B. Vierck/L. Mitchell**
 - **Bob Vierck** showed the plaque for Bob Eberhardt Memorial that will be placed at PAWS
 - 20 Volunteers worked at the Oak Hall planting
 - The April 30th planting at the Kissinger property was cancelled. The plants were to be donated by the Chesapeake Bay Foundation
 - **Bob Vierck** requested that the SCCTU Board and Members keep an eye on the vegetation at Fisherman’s Paradise while he is out of town. This includes cutting down, trimming and mowing. Although Natures Cover is supposed to maintain the area they don’t do it on a regular basis
- Stream Clean Up – **B. Vierck/L. Mitchell**
 - Mario Carrello was congratulated for filling 19 bags of trash
 - There were 3 crews: Rock Road, McCoy Dam, Slab Cabin Run
 - Mario Carrello contacted CVS about the trash found behind their store on Slab Cabin Run.

- **Mario Carrello** asked if any further plans have been made for the Sparrow Run project. Between \$90,000 to \$130,000 is needed for the mile and a quarter area for bank stabilization, eroded banks and log vanes
- **Board Member Comments/Announcements/Concerns**
 - This was Kate Lemon's last meeting before moving back to Michigan. The Board thanked her for her contributions to SCCTU and wished her and her family well in their move and future endeavors
- Meeting adjournment: 8:44pm
 - Motion: Kate Lemon
 - Second: Paula Sowers