

# Spring Creek Chapter of Trout Unlimited

## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: 02/10/2020

Reported by: Frances Stevenson

- Meeting called to order by **Jamie San Filippo** at 6:05PM
- Attendance: Lynn Mitchell, Jamie San Filippo, Jim Lanning, Bob Vierck, Mario Carrello , Ford Stryker, John Lynn Himes, Jim Pivirotto, Bob Cross, Bob Sills, Fran Stevenson
- Approval of January 2020 Board Minutes - **Fran Stevenson**
  - Amendments: None
  - Motion to approve: **Lynn Mitchell**
  - Second: **John Himes**
  - Motion Carried
- Review of Treasurer's Report – **Mario Carrello**
  - January Results
    - Balance in Checking is expected to provide enough funds through November
    - **Bob Vierck** noted that the Sparrow Run Project will require \$5000 to \$7000
    - It was noted that the James R. Ferrell Conservation Project Fund was used to help pay for the Houserville Project
  - It was noted that the Centre County Republican Committee donated \$250 and will be accounted for as sponsorship to the annual banquet
  - A Small Game of Chance license will be acquired for the annual banquet
  - Amendments: None
  - Motion to Approve January 2020 results: **Bob Vierck**
  - Second: **Lynn Mitchell**
  - Motion Carried
- Action Items
  - 2020 Banquet – **Ford Stryker**
    - Fly fishing equipment donated to SCCTU by **Ted Trostle** and **Joe Boston** will be used for raffle and auction items
    - **Ford** inquired if board members were following through contacting potential sponsors and donors
    - **Jamie San Filippo** has donated a day of guiding on Spring Creek which will be combined with a two night stay at Camp Breace
    - **Roger Garthwaite** is donating the Otto's Beer Trailer
    - **Envinity** has donated \$250 to the banquet as a Brown Trout sponsor and will form a partnership for member discounts on turn key solar installations
      - Free Solar Consultation
      - \$100 off per kW system installed
      - Will donate

- \$100 per kW of solar installed to SCCTU (Cap of \$500 per solar installation)
  - Offer expires 12/31/2021
  - Will promote on social media to encourage SCCTU membership
- **Julie Mitchell** will make the center pieces
- **Bob Vierck** is tying flies to make 80 pairs of earrings
- **Bob Sills** is tying flies
- **Cliff Wurster** donated flies to be used for raffle and/or auction items
- The YMCA Youth Leadership Group will prepare the invitation packets on February 12<sup>th</sup> and the packets will be mailed on February 13<sup>th</sup>
  - 750 packets will be mailed to members, previous sponsors and other connections to the chapter
- **Paula Sowers** sent out a “Save the Date” on the SCCTU website
- **Bob Sills** sent out a notice to people on the VSP list
- The trip to Montana will not be offered as a live auction item
  - Last year’s auction item did not make much money
  - The people who took the trip last year were not impressed with the fishing or the guiding service
- **Jamie San Filippo** will sign the contracts with Mt. View Country Club
- Bid for a Cause
  - It was determined not to do Bid for a Cause this year for the following reasons
    - Complicates the checkout process
    - Have not found a compelling cause
  - **Jamie San Filippo** suggested we consider the May Fly Project
    - Coming to Centre County this summer
    - Involves mentoring foster children in fishing
    - Would need someone to speak about the project
- A list of banquet job assignments was provided to the members for before, during and after the banquet
- A slight price increase for the Tuscan Buffet of \$1.50 per person is being charged by Mt. View. But the price of banquet tickets will not increase from last year
- Members were asked to begin thinking about who to nominate for the Order of the Sulphur award.
  - **Jim Lanning** moved to nominate Jennifer Shuey
  - Second: Ford Stryker
  - Motion Carried
- **Jim Paviotto** recommended a nominating committee be formed
- **Ford Stryker** will need a credit card for banquet purchases
  - Motion to approve: **Bob Vierck**
  - Second: **Jim Lanning**

- Motion Carried
- It was noted that the State Theatre will be hosting the Fly Fishing Film Tour in March
  - Discussion about having a table and helping to promote the event
- Women's Leadership Retreat
  - **Judi Sittler** on behalf of Amidea Daniels asked that SCCTU donate \$1000.
    - **Ford Stryker** moved that SCCTU contribute \$500 and the other \$500 come from the Jean Brenchley Fund. **Fran Stevenson** will ask Jean Brenchley Fund steering committee to approve the \$500 donation
    - Second: **Jim Lanning**
    - Motion Carried
    - Women attending will pay \$50 each. The \$50 will be paid to SCCTU and the chapter will pay the organization holding the retreat
      - **Mario Carrello** – requires an address where to send the \$50 payments
- **Jim Lanning** on behalf of **Roger Garthwaite** requests SCCTU make a \$3000 donation to the Joe Humphreys Student Angling Endowment Fund
  - It was noted that SCCTU made a \$1700 donation in 2019
  - **Ford Stryker** moved to make a \$1500 donation in 2020
    - Second: **Lynn Mitchell**
    - Motion Carried
  - **Lynn Mitchell** suggests making the donation at the annual banquet
- Centre Hills Country Club Stream Buffer Request of \$500
  - Centre Hills has agreed to allow improvements to Slab Cabin Run on their property
  - **Bob Vierck** estimates the improvements to cost \$50,000 to \$100,000
  - **Colleen DeLong**, from Clearwater Conservancy is designing the buffer plan
  - Motion to approve: **Jim Lanning**
  - Second: **John Himes**
  - Motion Carried
- **Greg Malaska** – April 5<sup>th</sup> Collegiate Fly Fishing Championship
  - **Greg Malaska** wants the student to work on a special project
    - It was suggested that the students work on removing cages from the trees and clean up the Mc Coy Dam "Boston Commons" Riparian Planting area
    - Replacement judges will be needed while students are working on the project
    - **John Ford** will be asked to have the youth team be the judges
    - **Jim Pivrotto** will coordinate

- Old Business
  - US Fish & Wildlife , Kissinger Meadow – No report
  - PA VA Veteran Briefing – **Jim Lanning**
    - A veteran’s court is being developed by legal professionals
    - **Bob Sills** talked about the special presentations, from 3:30 to 4:30pm, after the Fly Fishing 101 Saturday classes
- New Business
  - Keystone Coldwater Conference, PA TU, 2/28 and 2/29
    - **Judi Sittler** and **Jamie San Filippo** will staff a SCCTU Information Table on Friday 2/28
    - **Bob Vierck** will staff the table until noon on Saturday 2/29
    - Bob Cross will staff the table from noon until 3:00pm on Saturday afternoon 2/29
  - Solar Partnership with Envinity – **Jim Pivrotto**
    - See Envinity under Action Items
  - Spring Cleanup, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, **Lynn Mitchell**
    - Rock Road
    - McCoy Dam
    - Houserville will be done at Redd Count time by US Fish and Wildlife
    - **Bob Vierck** will attend the Cleanup Steering Committee meetings and will help **Lynn Mitchell** coordinate
  - The September board meeting originally scheduled for Labor Day will be held on September 14th
- Committee Reports
  - Women Anglers – **Fran Stevenson**
    - The schedule for the 2020 fishing meetings has been sent out to the members
    - The Social held at the Queen B&B was a great success and well attended
    - The steering committee for the Jena Brenchley Endowment Fund is in the process of developing a plan for a women’s fishing retreat
  - Membership and PR – **Board Members** – No report
  - Social – Dave **DeWalle**– No report
  - Annual Banquet – **Ford Stryker**
    - See 2020 Banquet under Action Items
  - Conservation – **Bob Vierck**
    - See Centre Hills Country Club Stream Buffer under Action Items
    - See Spring Cleanup under New Business
  - Youth Education – No report
- Board member comments, announcement and concerns – None
- Adjournment – **Jamie San Filippo** – 8:23pm
  - Motion to Approve: **Bob Sills**

- Second: **Lynn Mitchell**
- Motion Carried