

Spring Creek Chapter of Trout Unlimited

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: June 8, 2020

Reported by: Frances Stevenson

- Zoom meeting called to order at 6:02pm by **Jamie San Filippo**
- Attendance: **Lynn Mitchell, Jamie San Filippo, Jim Lanning, Bob Vierck, Mario Carrello, Ford Stryker, Jim Pivrotto, John Himes, Bob Cross, Bob Sills, Dave DeWalle, Ray Faczan, Fran Stevenson**
- Approval of May 2020 Board Minutes - **Fran Stevenson**
 - Amendments: None
 - Motion to approve: **Bob Vierck**
 - Second: **Lynn Mitchell**
 - Motion Carried
- Review of Treasurer's Report – **Mario Carrello**
 - May 2020 Results
 - To determine what to do with CD maturing on 6/23/2020 **Bob Vierck** will advise **Mario Carrello** of when future funds will be needed
 - The loss to the value of the endowment fund during the Covid 19 pandemic is 3%
 - 20 Individuals are registered for the Women's Retreat
 - Motion to Approve May 2020 results: **Bob Vierck**
 - Second: **Dave DeWalle**
 - Motion Carried
 - **Ford Stryker** asked how many individuals are registered for the banquet and how much money has been received
 - **Mario Carrello** reported that 105 individuals are registered
 - \$8370.00 net of refunds has been received to date
 - **Jim Lanning** and **Bob Cross** have checks for deposit
- Banquet details – **Ford Stryker**
 - July 25, 2020, Mt View Country Club
 - Mt View is able to serve a buffet and accommodate tables of 10 per Pennsylvania rules for restaurants
 - Plexiglass screens can be set up between buffet and diners for social distancing
 - 4 Alternatives for banquet format
 - Same as usual – long check out process
 - Cancel due to pandemic
 - Legal commitment to Mt View requires SCCTU pay 75% of expected revenue - \$4000 to \$4500
 - Hold sweepstakes for Helios Rod and Reel
 - Hold auction and provide food take out

- Hold Auction and provide \$25.00 gift cards to Mt View for dining at another time
 - A large percentage of people who will attend are considered older and high risk
 - **Bob Vierck** talked to **Paula Sowers** and **Bob Carline** and both agree cancelling is the best option. **Bob Carline** thinks 20% to 30 % of people will donate what they have already paid to attend
 - **Lynn Mitchell** agrees to cancel the banquet and likes the idea of the On Line Sweepstakes for the Helios Rod and Reel
 - **Jamie San Filippo** recommends not having indoor auction and raffles
 - **Mario Carrello** is in favor of cancelling the banquet but does not want SCCTU to absorb the cost and recommends providing \$25.00 gift certificates for a future banquet
 - **Jamie San Filippo** – People attend for the social aspect not for the food
 - **Ray Faczan** – Negotiate with Mt. View
 - **Jim Pivrotto** – Cancel and hold on line sweepstakes for Helios Rod and Reel
 - **Bob Vierck** – Not everyone who has paid will want a refund
 - **Bob Cross** – Agrees to cancel
 - **Dave DeWalle** – Give people the option to get a refund on what they paid or donate to the club or put toward next year’s banquet
 - It was suggested to hold the auction at the wine tasting event
 - **John Himes** – Agrees to cancel the banquet but suggests an auction for the big ticket items
 - **Dan Kerstetter** has a fly tying bench for the auction and would like someone to pick it up
 - Motion to cancel the banquet and negotiate terms with Mt View, Sweepstake Helios Rod and Reel on line and auction the rest of the items throughout the year – **Bob Vierck**
 - Second: **Ford Stryker**
 - Will list in the newsletter
 - Motion Carried
- Old Business
 - VSP Future – **Bob Sills**
 - Proposed recommendations have been sent to the board members. VSP has been shut down since March and the committee should take the summer to prepare
 - Wants to provide training for Mentors and volunteers in the Fall as the Winter classes do not provide all the training and skills that are needed
 - Open VSP events in April 2021 to bring people together, provide instruction and then take them out on the water
 - Shed and Storage – **Ray Faczan**
 - VSP equipment is being kept in the shed including rods and reels, chairs and canopies
 - TU items have been transferred to the storage unit
 - Storage and shed are accessible if anyone needs to get in. Contact **Ray Faczan** for lock combinations

- **Bob Sills** offered to donate shelving for the storage unit. SCCTU will purchase any additional needed
 - **Jim Lanning** – Realizes that he is no longer head of VSP but wishes the decision to replace him was handled differently
 - Will remain on the board until the end of his term
 - PFBC has asked **Jamie San Filippo** and **Bob Sills** about the changes and future plans for VSP
 - Centre Gives – **Jamie San Filippo** reported the event went well for SCCTU
 - \$3770.00 in donations and \$500.00 prize for partnering with YMCA
 - Spring Cleanup – **Lynn Mitchell**
 - Cancelled due to Covid 19
 - Summer is not a good time due to a bad tick season
 - Maybe do clean up during late Fall Redd Count. All participants will carry trash bags and take trash back to Spring Creek Park
 - Arrangement will be made to haul trash from Spring Creek Park
- New Business
 - **Jamie San Filippo** sent out the Covid guidelines for in-person activities and programs from TU National to the board
- Committee
 - Women Anglers – **Fran Stevenson**
 - Will fish at Benner Springs off of Shiloh Road on June 14, 2020
 - All women are welcome and will need license, waders and equipment.
 - Equipment can be provided for those that need it
 - Youth Education - **Bob Vierck** reported that **Judi Sittler** sent videos of the release of the Trout in the Classroom
 - **Jamie San Filippo** will release the Trout in the Classroom fish at the YMCA the first week in August
- 7:34pm Motion to adjourn: **Bob Sills**
 - Second: **Bob Cross**
 - Motion Carried