

Challenge Chapter TU
Board Meeting Minutes
November 5, 2003

Attendance: Don Silsbe, Russ Holmes, Wayne Glessner, Martin VanFossan, Dave Shantz, Jeff Raphelson and Dan Keifer.

Treasurer's Report: Russ Holmes - Paid the \$1,944 in advance for one year of ads in MI Trout in order to book a discount.

Current checking account balance = \$17,030.47. Paid \$296 in quarterly sales tax.

Conservation Report: Wayne Glessner - tentative schedule of 2004 Chapter outings and Projects presented.

Outing #1 Pere Marquette - Baldwin, MI dates = May 7,8,9. "Map" PM River. Proposal by Dave Shantz to have the outing at Barothy's Lodge. 2nd by Russ Holmes. Approved by board.

Note: Julio Mazzoli has planned a conflicting outing the same weekend at Woodland Springs - Fairview, MI.

Proposal by Don Silsbe to charge \$85 per person fixed charge for any of our outings with the chapter making up the difference. 2nd by Dan Keifer. Approved by board.

Outing #2 Pine Ridge - Dates = June 18,19,20. TU has the fly fishing school weekend of 11,12,13. Motion by Dave Shantz to choose Pine Ridge as the final choice for this outing. 2nd by Russ Holmes. Approved by the board. Stream project (TBD).

Outing #3 Rayburn Lodge - Dates = July 9,10,11. Stream project (TBD).

Fundraising Report - no report. Wally Kessler resigned position due to relocation to Columbus, OH.

Education Report: Jeff Raphelson.

Still looking for volunteers to help with fly-tying classes. Bill Womack wants help to relieve him of having to lead tying every night in the intermediate class. Jeff spoke with David Oakley from Paul Young Chapter re: teaming up on Boy Scout Merit Badge project. Oak Park Gallery advised against having the print appraised. One suggestion is to find a gallery that will take the print on consignment.

Newsletter Report: Dan Keifer.

Various articles coming in to Dan (e.g. Labrador, Green River, Yellowstone, New Zealand,...).

Clinton River Report: Martin VanFossan

Volunteer Appreciation Picnic held last weekend at River Woods Park.

Guidebook Report: Don Silsbe.

Latest update of PM draft circulated for review. Local flies now added with focus on HEX's. Dave Leonhard is interested in the Challenge Chapter choosing to update the Boardman River Guide next.

Lower Au Sable Guide book needs updated this winter to reflect road changes near Commins Flats.

Old Business:

By-Laws Revision - no update.

Yahoo Groups - setup by Dan Keifer. This service has a function to distribute invites to list of members.

This may be easiest way to manage E-Mail list sign-up.

Name Tags - need to provide sign up sheet from last month's chapter meeting to Don Silsbe.

Speaker Schedule -

Nov Dave Scott - hand-tied leaders

Dec Dave McCool - Golden Bones

Jan Todd Fuller - TBD

Feb Josh Rim - Indicator Steelhead

Mar Jon Johnson - Flyrod Bass

Apr Dave Leonhard - Casting Skills & Drills

May Meadow Lake

Fly Fishing Expo: - moving from Southfield to East side of Warren (Macomb County Community College Sports & Expo Center). Need to identify someone who is willing to be in charge of this event.

Fly Tying Expo - Dec 6th at Mason, MI (S of Lansing) from 9am-4pm. We need to plan to attend this event. Sign-up sheet needed at chapter meeting.

TU Membership drive. Intro member applications.

Prosek original. Offer from John Vincent to show it on his website.

Fundraising Chairman - need to replace Wally Kessler. By-Laws stipulate that board of directors are to appoint replacement board member for vacancy of a board position at the next regularly scheduled board meeting.

Respectfully Submitted

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c/o Bill Thorsted
Secretary