

Meeting Agenda & Committee Reports

Thursday, December 18th, 2014



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Venue: Festival Foods, 1001 Main Avenue, De Pere
6:00pm Business and Conservation Banquet Committee Meeting

Introductions

Excused:

MISSING: Staush Gruszynski

Approval of Prior Minutes

Treasurers Report: Total on Hand \$5172.09 Checking \$1331.90 Money Market \$3840.19

Items needing action/votes:

Approval of Minutes from November – Doug Seidl/Mike Renish

Announcements/Information/Progress/Results

- Thoughts about the Awards Banquet?
 - Specifically the Awards themselves...i.e. how they are determined, what type of awards would we like to see?
 - How will the awards be doled out?
 - Nominations from membership as the whole
 - Nominations go to a committee of three people
 - The President shall choose the members of the choice committee
 - Location & Entertainment was great
 - We need to make sure that everyone gets a little gift (door prizes)
 - Christmas Decorations
- Wisconsin TU State Council Annual Meeting and Banquet is being held on **February 7, 2015** at the Oshkosh Waterfront Hotel and Convention Center.
 - In an effort to increase the number of women in Trout Unlimited, the State Council has made arrangements to have the program Becoming an Outdoor Woman offered during the day on Feb. 7. The class will include fly casting, outdoor cooking, and firearms handling.
 - DNR Fishing Instructor Certification Class. Signup for this class is by filling out the appropriate form. There is a \$15 fee for this class. In the past that many chapters have covered the fee for members who want to become certified. The class will run from 11:00a – 4:00p.
- Input on Conservation Banquet Mailer (see handouts).

Committee Reports

Work Projects - Lee Meyers

- Nothing to report this month.

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Education – Dave Ostanek

- Still in contact with local schools about what TU has to offer. Going in to schools for lesson enhancement with fly tying and fly casting. Also schools using TU as a resource for cold water and conservation resource.
- Jack made contact with Ashwaubenon Physical Education teacher about a fly casting class.
- Mike has made contact with Cabelas Rep. Scott Anderson about TU getting involved in Cabelas' classes related to fishing. Scott shared several ideas in a visit at the Holiday banquet and Mike will be meeting with him Dec. 18.
- On 17th and 18th of January, 11:00am to 2:00pm, there will be a fly tying event at Cabelas
 - GBTU will need a displayed sign and promotional materials
 - Goal is to make people aware of the work for Trout Unlimited
 - Cabelas will sell materials
 - Promotional Materials will be corrected and Lee will do the updating
 - GBTU is looking for commitments from individuals
 - Paul
 - Adrian
 - Dave

Technology – Mike Renish (with website help from Adrian Meseberg)

- Mike has donated about \$90 so far to get greenbaytu.org up and running. He continue to develop on this site to determine if there is a reasonable and efficient way to move our current website over in the coming year. Randy Rake and Adrian Meseberg have committed 10 hours per week, combined, in the new year to help make this happen. There are a lot of unknowns right now so only time will tell us if it is feasible. I still believe if we can get our website to WordPress, all the content providers will see it as an improvement (Mike Renish).
- We continue to add content to the current website...i.e. Awards Banquet summary, raffle ticket purchase option, meeting minutes and more (Adrian Meseberg).

Programs – Adrian Meseberg

- Programs are as follows...
 - *January* – Mike Mushinski (Manager West Shore Pike Project) on the future of Haller's Creek (Through Jim Jolly).
 - *February* – Program to be determined (Tammy Paoli?)
 - *March* – Gene Weyer (President of the Manitowoc County Lakes Association) on the impacts of CAFOs
- Other potential presenters include...
 - Area taxidermists (2nd Nature; High Wet and Wild) with samples of their work, prices, techniques and more.
 - Driftless area author, Len Harris (*The Stream of Time*). Asking for \$250.00.
 - Movie night (see above, Penokee Hills film)
 - Laura McFarland from the Wisconsin River Alliance / 1-608-257-2424 extension 110 (Invasive Species)
 - Tammy Paoli (Menomonee River survey and Oconto River Brown Trout Study).

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- Area recycling program coordinators (regarding local plans and programs)
- Spey Co Manufacturing (Hand Made Fly Fishing Reels) 1851 Allouez Ave. (920) 227-5574 / www.speyco.net
- Tim Landwehr presentation

Membership – Aaron Frailing

- GBTU Membership Mailer is about to go out, waiting for the mailer information, will go out as soon as it Sec/Treas comes back from vacation

Legislative - Staush Gruszynski

- People need to watch the combined stamp issue, Groundwater Quality/Quantity; more information will come down the line

Fundraising –

Events, Grants, Raffles - Aaron Frailing, Doug Seidl, Mike Renish

- **RAFFLE TICKETS ARE NOW FOR SALE !** Please contact Aaron Frailing at (608) 395-8200, email him at apf.gbtrout@gmail.com, or purchase them directly from a link on the right sidebar on our website greenbaytu.com.

Tickets are \$50.00 and there are ONLY 100 available. Once again the payout is as follows...

1st prize - \$1000

2nd prize - \$500

3rd-4th prizes - \$200 each

5th-10th prizes - \$100 each

- Mike R. has commitment to sell 8 raffle tickets thus far. Randy bought his two over the website nearly immediately after the link was up and functional. Thank you ! Mike is buying two for he and his wife and the remaining 4 for his friends and business associates. There wasn't much progress on approaching corporate businesses and hopefully the New Year will provide some new energy.

- **Winston Ostrow has contributed \$300.00, discussion regarding how to recognize those who contributed the money but how do we recognize the solicitations between year round and banquet donations**
- **A process is needed for recognition of gifts**
 - **The group will think on this issue and will have to return with ideas**
- **Suggestion to include income/receipts for the chapter**
 - **Treasurer will create a tracking mechanism outside of the checkbook register**

Motion to Adjourn – Lee/Doug 7:39pm

Banquet – Bruce Deuchert

- Aaron will different phone number
 - Share that information and then information must be updated on mailer information
- Aaron Send out email to sponsorship packet

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- Aaron will send out updated mail-in form
 - Website/Sponsorship packet/Mailer all works
 - Sponsorship purchase through website completed
 - Henry Koltz will be the MC for the meeting
 - Requests a script which Bruce will check on
 - Aaron requested that a brief speech about the good GBTU does
 - Agreed to as long as under 5 minutes
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Thank You !