

Minutes of the TU Doc Fritchey Board Meeting – September 22, 2015 Giant Food Community Center – Harrisburg, PA

Officers/Directors Present:

Ed O’Gorman, Bob Pennell, Russ Collins, Steve Long, Dennis Coffman, Steve Funck, Rick LaTournous, Steve Vegoe, RoseAnn Viozzi.

Board Meeting Minutes:

Minutes of the June 23, 2015 board meeting as posted on www.dftu.org were approved on a motion by Long/seconded by LaTournous.

Treasurer's Report:

The Treasurer's Report dated September 21, 2015 was approved to receive and file on a motion by Long/seconded by Funck.

Membership Committee Report:

Collins reported that he is working on a project to update members’ email addresses and will be developing a “welcome package” to be sent to new members. He is also working on developing wider use of social media such as Facebook.

Report from State Council:

Pennell reported that he, Rick LaTournous and Russ Collins attended National TU’s annual meeting in Scranton which included a day of fishing the Lackawanna River, a conservation tour and two days of meetings. Pennell stated that this was a great opportunity to network with other chapter leaders from across the nation and pick up useful ideas for building a stronger chapter.

Stream Steward Reports:

Quittapahilla Creek – Kent Crawford reported that 100 trees had been planted along the streambanks in Quittie Park where the first phase of the major restoration project was completed earlier this year. Pending final landowner approvals, the second phase is expected to move ahead in November. Snitz Creek and Bachman Run are under consideration for future restoration projects by the Quittapahilla Watershed Association. The special regs area of the Quittie is scheduled for stocking on October 7.

Clarks Creek – The children’s project area where stream improvement work was completed by the chapter earlier this year will be stocked this weekend. E. O’Gorman reported that the Detweiler property along this stretch of Clarks Creek is expected to become part of the Dauphin County park system.

Manada Creek – A stream improvement project is scheduled for October 3, with assistance provided by Karl Lutz and PFBC’s Habitat Section personnel.

Stony Creek –Rob Frank of the Dauphin County Conservation District is working on getting the data collected from our Stony Creek monitoring equipment posted on the DCCD website.

Diversion Wells Report:

Coffman reported very low water conditions with no stone being added in recent weeks. Based on reports that John Reigel is shutting down his trucking operation and that Pennsy Supply’s high-calcium limestone is in big commercial demand right now, it could mean that the chapter will now have to spend some funds for these previously donated materials and services. A new collection cage for the diversion dam outlet is needed which will likely be donated. Annual maintenance is scheduled for October 4, and the Stony Creek trail drive-through sponsored by the PA Game Commission will take place on October 18. Coffman will be on hand to talk about our operation and distribute chapter brochures to interested parties.

Education Committee Report:

LaTournous reported that beginner fly tying classes will be scheduled at the Wildwood Nature Center beginning the last Wednesday in January and lasting for 8 weeks.

Trout in the Classroom (TIC) Report:

No report.

Banquet & Fundraising Committee Report:

E. O’Gorman will chair this committee and plans to hold a planning meeting in October or November for our 2016 Annual Banquet scheduled for April 9 at the Grantville Holiday Inn.

Social Committee Report:

Our October 27 meeting will be a business meeting with a presentation by Brenden Miller whom we sponsored for the TU Rivers Conservation and Fly Fishing Youth Camp this year, and Bill Kosmer will present his program on fishing in Patagonia at our November 24 meeting.

Old Business:

Support for Acquisition of LeTort Property – By a previous email vote sent out on September 4, the board approved a donation of \$2,500.00 to the Central PA Conservancy as a partial match for a grant to acquire two plots of land in the headwaters of LeTort Spring Run in Carlisle.

Background Check Requirements for Working with Youth – It was determined that we might be able to adopt the process developed by Cumberland Valley TU, but will wait until further guidance is available from PA Council.

Participation in Home Waters Program – Viozzi thanked all the volunteers who participated in 2015 and reminded all that the event will be held next year on June 13.

New Business:

Election of Officers & Directors – The entire slate of officer and director nominees as previously posted on www.dftu.org was accepted and moved forward for election by Kent Crawford and seconded by Long. The following officers and directors will serve a one-year term beginning October 1, 2015:

<u>Officers</u>	<u>Board of Directors</u>		
President – Russ Collins	Dennis Coffman	RoseAnn Viozzi	Steve Funck
Vice President – Steve Vegoe	Rick LaTournous	Rich DiStanislao	
Secretary – Bob Pennell	Steve Long	Jim Goldsmith	
Treasurer – Francis O’Gorman	Cyndi Camp	Joseph Connor	

On a motion by LaTournous/seconded by Long, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Bob Pennell – Chapter Secretary