

Minutes of the TU Doc Fritchey Chapter Board Meeting October 22, 2019 at the Giant Food Community Center

Officers/Board Members Attending: Russ Collins, Bob Pennell, Chuck Swanderski, George Dodson, Rich DiStanislao, Steve Long, Steve Vegoe, Joseph Connor, Trip McGarvey, Andy Link, Becca Fronk, Fran Barilar

Others Attending: Dennis Coffman

The meeting was called to order by President Collins at 6:42 PM. A motion was made and carried to approve the Minutes of the August 27, 2019 board meeting as previously distributed to the board members.

Email Actions Taken Since 8/27/19:

10/11/19 – An email vote was solicited by Collins and approved by a majority of the board members to spend up to \$2,300 for construction of a new inlet control box at the diversion well dam. The final cost was \$1,081.40 due to a partial donation by an anonymous donor.

9/16/19 – An email vote was solicited by Collins and approved by a majority of the board members to spend up to \$15,000 for hauling a stockpile of limestone boulders for future stream restoration projects to two storage sites in Cornwall Borough.

Policy for Reimbursement of Meeting Registration Expenses:

A motion was made by DiStanislao to adopt a new reimbursement form, along with a companion motion by McGarvey, to adopt a policy for reimbursement of registration fees up to a limit of \$100 for chapter members authorized to attend TU and other conservation-related events.

After considerable discussion, a new motion introduced by Long was carried which stated that chapter officers and board members who are authorized to represent the chapter at TU or conservation-related events may be reimbursed for required fees up to the sum of \$100. Reimbursement in excess of \$100 shall require approval of the board and be based upon the "Request for Reimbursement" form as proposed by DiStanislao. Yearly expenses for registration fees should not exceed the amount budgeted.

Policy on E-mail Votes by the Board:

A motion was made and carried stating that all un-budgeted expenditures in excess of \$2,000 will require discussion and approval at chapter board meetings.

Fly Tying Course at Wildwood Nature Center:

DiStanislao reported that the chapter's 2020 beginners fly tying course will be held on 7 consecutive Thursdays, beginning on February 13. He also stated that Wildwood will split the revenue 50/50 with our chapter. The sum of \$750 has been approved in the budget for expenses, and further consideration is being given to charge participants for fly tying kits.

Chapter Membership in CAGA:

A motion was made and carried to approve an amount of \$50 for an annual membership in the Capital Area Greenbelt Association (CAGA).

Purchase of Chapter Hats:

A motion was made and carried to purchase 50 chapter-logoed ball caps at a cost not to exceed \$400.

Annual Banquet Planning:

Next year's annual banquet will be held at the Holiday Inn of Grantville on Saturday, March 14. Collins agreed to chair the Banquet Committee with assistance from Fronk. Pennell will send them the task sheets from 2019 to assist with their planning. Sponsorship levels were discussed, and further suggestions were requested from the board members. Collins will announce a date for the next committee meeting. Four complimentary tickets will be offered to the Sensenig family (stone haulers for the diversion wells) as suggested by Coffman.

Chapter Fishing Trip:

Collins suggested that the chapter organize a fishing trip for 2020, and will research the feasibility of renting a property on Little Pine Creek near Waterville, PA, along with the possibility of the Yellow Creek Trout Club near Indiana, PA.

The meeting was adjourned by mutual consent at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Bob Pennell - Chapter Secretary