

Rocky Mountain Flycasters Leadership Meeting

June 8, 2022

Board Meeting via Zoom

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Attendees: Mark Miller*, Dave Haeusler*, Tony Popp*, Scott Baily*, Phil Wright, Dennis Cook, Zach Jory, John Bryant, Wayne Carlson and Jeannie Weaver* (minutes). (* board members - quorum present).

Called to order at 6:00 PM

Agenda

1. Opening Comments - The Free Kids Fishing Day was fantastic! We had 9 volunteers and the Forest Service gave out 60 rod & reel combos and also donated to RMF, 12 fly rods for use at Youth Camp.
 - a. Mark welcomed Bob Molzahn, a member of RMF and the American Casting Association for a presentation about the Chapter becoming an ACA Casting Club for practice and competition
 - b. Board Business - Mark pulled items c) vi, ix and x below for discussion
 - c. Consent Agenda -
 - i) Statement of Financial Position for April, 2022
 - ii) Statement of Financial Income and Expenses for April, 2022
 - iii) Budget vs. Actual for April, 2022
 - iv) Programs Projects Report April, 2022 - Report shows a breakdown by program for Committee Chairs to review their programs
 - v) April 13, and May 18, 2022, Board Minutes
 - vi) Membership Committee Report - Wayne asked the Leadership Team to contact him with information on historical background for growth and retention, new ideas, and help forming a plan to increase membership, provide goals and milestones to bring back members/get new members and to fill Board vacancies. A sub-committee with Scott, Mark, Tony and Wayne will work on this.
 - vii) Education - Bull Moose and CSU Club reports. John spoke about obtaining entry into RMNP on July 30 for Youth Camp. Zach will contact Mary Kay Watry for park passes or St. Pete's will help to ensure all the parties are able to gain entrance that day.
 - viii) Conservation Notes - Scott followed up with last month's discussion of a plaque on the Big Thompson pier for Dick Jefferies. Mickey McGuire volunteered to write a letter to the appropriate Forest Service contact. Scott made a motion to authorize Mickey to formally request the plaque; Tony seconded the motion. A vote was taken and unanimous approval was given for the request. Scott will follow up with Mickey. Tony added that \$1,800 was donated and placed in a restricted fund for use in honoring Dick at the appropriate time as needed.

- ix) Financial Development - March, April and May reports. Mark said that the fundraising brochure was to be posted on the website and will follow up with Ron and Zach will post it. Odell's Brewery encouraged RMF to apply for a grant on small batch brewing.
- x) Communications - Zach will be doing Social Media over the summer until Travis Hackett takes over during the CSU school year.
- xi) Leader Development Report (May and June)

d. Pulled Consent Items and Vote - After discussion of the three items pulled and other comments noted above, Tony moved to approve the Consent Agenda and Scott seconded the motion. The Board voted and unanimously approved all the items.

2. New Business

- a. Idea for a women's only event – Jaclyn Fitzgerald (She's Fly). Tabled to the July meeting.
- b. Presentation: Do we want a Casting Club? Guest - Bob Molzahn (30 min) Loveland CO, is a member of RMF & American Casting Association. Bob provided a slideshow of the history of the ACA and his involvement over the years. Essentially, he would pay the \$50 startup Club fee (\$100 per year thereafter) for RMF and all RMF members would become the first Colorado ACA Club members. This would allow for casting practice and competition to take place with the other 15 clubs in the US. Discussion ensued and Mark will take comments and follow up with Bob within 2 weeks.
- c. Volunteer Opportunity with Gold Star Families in RMNP - Tragedy Assistance Program for Survivors (TAPS) - Mark was unable to reach the contact for more info on this program. Essentially, the program for surviving family members involves having a one day event spending time fishing with participants and sending them home with rods and reels to continue fishing and enjoying the outdoors. Dave volunteered to work on this, possibly partnering with Alpine Anglers in Estes Park.
- d. Sept Welcome Back meeting - what do we want to do? Maybe meeting at a brewery and fly fishing film?? Outdoors? Indoors? Let's decide by June 14th. Consensus was to try having the meeting at Odell's Brewery and firm up the details by the July 13 Board meeting.
- e. Costs for Aztlan A/V equipment are pricey - \$100 for projector and speaker. That's \$900 per yr for A/V. Should we buy our own A/V equip? Phil volunteered to spearhead the search for equipment we would need for the September meeting. However, John said he received a donated projector and 6' screen for use at the Youth Camp and film project he is involved with and he will be testing them for use by the Chapter.
- f. Corporate Donations – we need to work with assistance from CTU on this. I will ask Ron H to get with Whitney Huddleston at CTU
- g. 2nd CSU Scholarship – status?? - Dave suggested a meeting with Dr. Johnson's replacement to assess the situation.

3. Old Business

- a. June 15 Volunteer Orientation meeting at Northside Aztlan - Mark
****NOTE: location changed to FTC Senior Center due to summer camp activities at the NACC. Still 7-9pm**

Phil reviewed the plan for the meeting in the Senior Center and the rooms there. The email responses for attendees was low; however, Scott shared that the PHP/PHP Ambassador sign up had from 50-80 RSVP's. Scott will send an email to inspire more; Zach will post on Social Media and we'll go forward to do the best we can.

- b. Idea of a Fall meeting in Greeley - discuss and decide - Consensus of the Board was to table this item to the fall and concentrate now on the events we are planning. Dennis will provide the membership lists showing the number of Greeley RMF members for use in upcoming discussions.
- c. Summer chapter picnic date and location - Mark & Wayne. Sunday, Aug 14th was chosen and
- d. CTU Spring Board meeting- May 21-22 (Mark, Dave, and Scott attended). After action report tabled.
- e. Position Descriptions progress - tabled
- f. Strategic Plan meeting followup and progress- tabled

3. Upcoming General Meetings - TBD depending on Covid pandemic status as an in-person meeting or via Zoom link.

- a. Donor Recognition Party - July 23 at Mishawaka
- b. Youth Camp - July 25 thru 30th
- c. Chapter Picnic - Aug 14th
- d. Poudre Riverfest - Aug 20th, New Belgium Brewing
- e. September 21, 2022.

Meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.