

Draft: Penn's Woods West Trout Unlimited

Board Meeting—March 4, 2021

TU Mission: To conserve, protect and restore North America's Coldwater fisheries and their watersheds.

Attendees: Ian, Ed, Chuck, Nora, Jamie, Ron

Topics (Meeting Opened 7:35 PM):

- 1) Welcome and call to order
- 2) Minutes approved
- 3) Old Business
 - a) 2022 PWWTU Budget
 - i) Draft budget provided ahead of time.
 - ii) APSC and Cecil Twp events noted
 - iii) TIC amount and women's events added
 - iv) Ed noted that events on the budget are still subject to Board approval (for large amounts).
 - v) Nora proposed, Ron 2nd **<passed>**
 - b) Youth Activities Survey (completed by Chuck)
 - c) Report from a-hoc Strategic Planning Committee – some good progress. Chuck sent draft document to Board. Too early for comment or discussion. **<tabled>**
 - d) Membership packet for new members – Jamie received photos from several members to work into a packet. Work is ongoing on an e-package to send with responses to inquiries. Some discussion on digital rights.
 - e) Annual Report **<tabled>**
- 4) New Business
 - a) Cecil Township Youth Fishing Derby – information sent ahead of time. Regardless of not-for-profit status, if a group furthers TU's interests or the chapter's interests, we can support it. In this case we would support with a purchase of fish for stocking. Chuck moved, Jamie 2nd, **<passed>**
 - b) APSC Youth Fishing Derby—Chuck proposed, Ron 2nd **<passed>**
 - c) Welcome package—new member materials--**tabled**
 - d) Citizen's Climate Change Endorsement--**tabled**
 - e) Advocacy--**tabled**

Adjourned

Meeting closed 8:00 PM

Important Dates:

3/8/21 – **Chapter Zoom**, Anthony Naples, Driftless Area, WI

3/27/21 – Mentored Youth Day (now State-wide)

4/3/21 – Trout Opening Day (Now State-wide)

4/12/21 – **Chapter Zoom**, Dave Rothrock, Sky Blue Outfitters, Spring & Summer Bugs

9/18/21 – PA Trout Annual Membership Meeting

Committee Reports

Penn's Woods West Chapter of Trout Unlimited

Officers and Committee Chair Reports

For February Year: 2021

Conservation Committee Chair: Bryan Mathie

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Women & Diversity Committee Chair: Nora Cline/Jodie Minor

We hosted the women's beginner sessions on zoom, we had 7 women attend. Our next event is Saturday March 21, 11am -2pm - beginning casting @ Carnegie Lake casting pond. Are hoping to do a stream girls event this fall. Sent Chuck the schedule to post to the website.

Membership Committee Chair: Jamie Schroder

Have not received many member inquiries via the website. Working with Chuck and Bryan on PWWTU strategy and it will include large component on membership.

Education Committee Chair: Ron Milavec

Program Committee Chair: Christian Shane

President: Chuck Buffington

The weather is finally improving! Streams are up with snowmelt but stocking should begin shortly. I've added several new pages to the website and activated our calendar because of a big increase in events. New pages for "new members" and "members who have passed". Our two featured new members are both young which may put a fresh face on the chapter. Advertised the opportunity to sell "flea market" items via the site to make up for no flea market at Cabin Fever. Been thinking about our Strategic Plan and had a lovely evening with Jamie and Bryan brainstorming about it. Encouraged by the approval of J&J's vaccine; hoping we're back to some semblance of normal soon.

Vice President: Bob Bukk

Officer: Treasurer: Ed Barger

Ed Barger: Proposed budget, as modified by emails from board members, has been provided to board for a vote. Major changes include the addition of allotted funds for additional, currently unknown conservation work (\$1500), modification of the telephone costs to reflect our use of ZOOM (from \$500 to \$200, based on Bryan's bill for ZOOM Pro from 11/20 to 11/21), and changes to our outreach efforts

(for kid's events (APSC is doing only one event and Charles has mentioned a request from the Cecil Sportsmans Club regarding support for a Kid's event, so I split the allotted funds to 2 \$600 amounts). I project a deficit of about \$560 for next year, leaving us still with over \$50K in our account. Transactions for February include a payment of \$150 to Tim Flagler for his excellent presentation on February 8, and \$160.39 to Bryan Mathie, reimbursing him for the purchase of our ZOOM Pro license for the period of 11/2020 to 11/2021. BTW – we received a nice thank you from Tim regarding the note that I included in his payment. Account summaries for account transactions in February and FYTD have also been provided to the board for review. Our current balance, as of 3/1/2021 is \$51724.45, with the account reconciled with the latest bank statement (February 5) as of March 1.

I will be leaving the Board meeting early (~8:00pm) to sit in on a ZOOM meeting run by National TU regarding the preparation of the annual report. Thank you to those who have responded to requests for estimating volunteer hours, along with providing information regarding lengths of service on the current board.

I also continue to act as a liaison between our chapter and our neighbor to the east, Forbes Trail. I noted that virtual ZOOM presentations from both us and FTTU have had members from both our chapters, as well as from other SWPA chapters, participating. I sincerely hope that we can continue our interactions with our neighboring chapters, since it will help our regional TU to grow even stronger in the future.

Ex-officio: Dale Fogg

Cash Flow
3/31/2020 through 3/1/2021

Category

INFLOWS

Uncategorized	0.00
41 - Return of Temporary Cash from ...	100.00
Other Inc	0.25
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PWWTU-Income	
01 - Contributions	2,030.14
02 - Workplace Giving Campaigns	100.00
04 - Rebates from TU National Cou...	240.00
07 - Meeting, banquet, Events, Raffle Cabin Fever - Booths	1,163.40
TOTAL 07 - Meeting, banquet, E...	1,163.40
12 - Miscellaneous Income	647.15
TOTAL PWWTU-Income	4,180.69
TOTAL INFLOWS	4,280.94

OUTFLOWS

Cash & ATM	0.25
PWWTU-Expenses	
15 - Grants to 501(C)3 Organizations Prog Services	2,500.00
TOTAL 15 - Grants to 501(C)3 O...	2,500.00
20 - Supplies + Materials Program Services	210.00
TOTAL 20 - Supplies + Materials	210.00
21 - Telephone Mgmt & General	95.59
Program Services	160.39
TOTAL 21 - Telephone	255.98
25 -Conference, Convention, Meeti... Fund Raising Cabin Fever	625.00
TOTAL Fund Raising	625.00
Program Services	150.00
Speaker Honorarium	575.00
TOTAL Program Services	725.00
TOTAL 25 -Conference, Convent...	1,350.00
26 - Travel Program Services	80.00
TOTAL 26 - Travel	80.00
31 - Contractors, Consultants, Desi...	978.24
36 - Miscellaneous Expenses 36.4 - APSC Kids Events	560.00
TOTAL 36 - Miscellaneous Expe...	560.00
TOTAL PWWTU-Expenses	5,934.22
TOTAL OUTFLOWS	5,934.47

OVERALL TOTAL

-1,653.53