

TROUT UNLIMITED BELLEVUE ISSAQUAH Chapter 109

Board Meeting Minutes March 26, 2008

Attendees:

President: Mark Getzendaner
Vice President: Dave Probart
Kokanee Chair: Mark Taylor
Treasurer: Shirley VanderVeen
Membership Chair: Rik Sligar
Secretary: Charlie Mallory
Salmon Days Chair: John Wick
Newsletter Chair: Suzanne Humphries
Member: John Totosz

Chapter Effectiveness Index (CEI): The board reviewed and calculated our index for submission to T/U National. Due in large part to our participation in the Kokanee project, area shows and Fishing Kids and Scouting programs our chapter improved from an index of 50 in 2006 to a 65 in 2007. For members interested in the specifics, please contact Mark G or Mark T.

Cast for Kids: Volunteers are being solicited for the events. Chapter funding to be matched by State Council for this year's programs. Mark T. will contact Jim Owens who oversees the program.

Salmon Days: John Wick has the application to be submitted for a booth. The Salmon Days organization requires copies of any material that will be handed out and photos of our booth and displays. Our application will be submitted the first week in April.

Beer Naming Contest: Rogue Brewery/ Issaquah Brew Pub sponsoring a contest in conjunction with B/I TU to raise awareness of the Kokanee. Rik Sligar is chair and is targeting mid-summer for the naming contest with advertising to commence prior to that.

Salmon Smoke-Off: Public event to be held in September - October time frame. Action deferred for now.

Eagle Scout Project: Scout J.T. Farmer is scheduling a stream bank clearing and restoration project on Laughing Jacob's Creek adjacent to the E. Lake Sammamish trail in April. J.T. is in the process of finalizing approval from the city of Issaquah for his project.

Mailer/Newsletter: Suzanne Humphries received a good response from the last mailer prior to the March General Meeting. She will put together another mailer in the next week or so with input from the board members. A newsletter with submissions from all members is in development.

Fly Fishing Academy: The Chapter is sponsoring two kids to the academy this year with funding matched by donations in memory of memory James Bartron

Treasurer Report: Shirley V. reported on current finances and budget for upcoming events.

Formulate Budget: The Board discussed budget items and the requirement for a Strategic Plan to anticipate and schedule upcoming events and incorporate them into the budgeting process. Mark G. will initiate the process with inputs from the other Board and General members. A running tally of hours/events which contribute to the Chapter Effectiveness Index may be part of the process.

Kokanee Trap: Work is nearly complete on the trap with enough material remaining for a major part of a second trap. The trap will be installed and fished on Friday March 28. Mark T. will coordinate the volunteer scheduling and publish a roster for members to fill required vacancies.

Volunteer & Hobby Fair: Mark G and family manned the booth at the Issaquah event assisting kids in producing fish art prints and raising awareness of our chapter in the community.

Future Speakers: The Chapter has no speakers scheduled beyond May. Mark T. has been arranging the speakers and will be departing for the summer. The general members will be queried about topics and possible speakers for upcoming chapter meetings.

Press/Media Liaison: With the Chapter's increased visibility in the local community a single point of contact for media affairs is needed. The general members may include someone who would like to serve in that capacity. A request for someone desiring to serve in that capacity will be made to all members.