



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes – April 13, 2016

The April 2016 Board of Directors (BoD) meeting of the Collegiate Peaks Chapter of Trout Unlimited (CPC) was held at Shallots Restaurant, Salida, CO on April 13, 2016.

Board Member Attendees:

Officers: Keith Krebs, Jim Impara, Jerry Wright, Tom Arnot

Board Members: Fred Rasmussen, Bill Dvorak, Jason Willis, (Barbara Plake via proxy)

The minimum number of board members was in attendance to constitute a quorum.

Chapter Member Attendees:

Norm Lastovica, Steve Craig

Other attendees:

Greg Walck, Past-President, Cheyenne Mountain Chapter TU

1. CONSENT AGENDA (DECISION VOTE)

- a. The February 2016 BoD Meeting Minutes were emailed to the BoD by Tom Arnot for review prior to the meeting. Jim Impara motioned that the minutes be accepted, Fred Rasmussen seconded. The motion passed without dissent.
- b. The Treasurer's Report was emailed to the BoD by Jerry Wright for review prior to the meeting. Jim Impara motioned that the report be accepted, Fred Rasmussen seconded. The motion passed without dissent.

2. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

- a. Arkansas River Basin Water Forum (ARBWF), April 27-28, Steam Plant, Salida:
 - Keith Krebs, Drew Peternell, and Jason Willis are planning to attend. Maybe others as well.
- b. Articles in Mountain Mail and Chaffee County Times for 2016:
 - Keith Krebs wrote January article
 - Fred Rasmussen wrote February and April articles
 - Barbara Plake wrote March article
 - Authors needed for remainder of 2016 – 8 articles. Fred Rasmussen has written an article for May and one other. Jason Willis volunteered to write one article. Still need 5 more articles to get through the year. Focus should be on conservation more so than the Chapter's activities. 700 words max. CCT likes to have art/photo included.
- c. Revised 2016 Meetings Schedule – as updated by email April 14

NOTE: Buena Vista area Member Meetings and BoD meetings will no longer be held at Mt. Princeton Resort. BV area meetings will now take place in the meeting room at the Branding Iron Restaurant, 710 Highway 24 N, BV

- May 7 (Saturday) - Caddis Festival Banquet (member meeting), CC Fairgrounds; 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm
- June 8 - Member meeting - 6 pm, Branding Iron Restaurant, Buena Vista Program: Greg Policky, CPW Aquatic Biologist, "An Update on the Arkansas River and Other Useful Information"
- July 13 - BoD meeting - 6 pm, Branding Iron Restaurant, Buena Vista
- July 20 - Member meeting - 6 pm, Shallots Restaurant, Salida. Program: Shelley Walshack, author of "52 Rivers"

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- August 10 - BoD meeting - 6 pm, Shallots Restaurant, Salida
 - September 14 - Movie Night – Steam Plant Ballroom, Salida; 7:00 pm to 9:30 pm - Movie titles - TBD (Two fishing shorts, "Cuttyrainbrown" feature)
 - October 12 - BoD meeting - 6 pm, Branding Iron Restaurant, Buena Vista
 - November 19 (Saturday) - Fly Tying Jamboree, Potluck Dinner and Year-in-Review Member meeting - Granzella Hall, Salida. Jamboree, 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm, potluck - 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm and Year-in-Review Member Meeting, 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm
 - December 14 - BoD meeting – 6 pm, Shallots Restaurant, Salida
- d. Keith Krebs introduced films at GARNA "Wild and Scenic Film Festival" + info. about CPC-TU
- e. Keith Krebs did CPC-TU Presentation to Salida Lunch Rotary on March 7th
- f. Keith Krebs will appear before Chaffee County Commissioners to request Fairgrounds Fee Waiver on April 19th
- The commissioners recently waived the fee for a Boys and Girls Club event. 85% of our money goes back to the community. Fee is \$1,200
- g. Keith Krebs will present to Gore Range Chapter on April 20th in Frisco
- They contacted CPC because they want to improve their chapter. Fred Rasmussen noted that the composition of the Board of Directors is the key to success.
- h. Earth Day and ARBWF volunteer fly casting instructors selected:
- Mike Perry, Tom Palka, Keith Krebs, Jim Impara, Steve Craig, Drew Peternell (see item 2k for details)
- i. No nominations received for "Bob Appel Award"
- Given to Greg Policky last year. No new nominations received.
- j. No nominations received for Chapter Awards at CTU Rendezvous
- Fred Rasmussen suggested Barbara Plake for FlyGals. There was general agreement that this would be a good choice.
- k. Volunteers needed for all 2016 events

Keith noted that we always seem to get the same people volunteering to help with events. We all need to try to get other members involved and encourage them to participate more.

- **Stream Explorers** - Four half day sessions in both Salida (spring) and Buena Vista (fall). Middle school students get out in nature on the stream and in it, studying water/riparian habitats, river entomology (bugs), water quality and character, fly tying and fishing with their own flies.

NEEDED: 3-5 FLY-TYING INSTRUCTORS TO ASSIST STUDENTS May 6 in Salida

- **Buena Vista Conservation Camp** – May 24th (75 high school participants in 2015) held each year in the spring and **Salida Stream Science Sessions** (25 high school participants in 2015) in the fall. Volunteer mentors from CPC help conduct the stream ecology portion of the camp each year. Over a 4 hour period, we immerse, both figuratively and literally, in stream habitat covering topics similar to Steam Explorers.

NEEDED: 4-5 MENTORS AT BVCC; 2-3 MENTORS AT SSSS

- **Kids Fishing Derbies** - July 4 in Salida and September 3 in Buena Vista. These are popular events for fun and opportunities for learning by the entire family. CPC is always looking for mentor participants to help with these programs.

NEEDED: 9-12 VOLUNTEERS AT EACH EVENT TO HELP WITH CHECK-IN, ASSISTING FISHERS, MEASURING FISH, LOGISTICS AND FLY CASTING INSTRUCTION. HELP WITH FOOD DISTRIBUTION AT SALIDA EVENT

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- April 13th, Salida Chamber Kick Off to Summer – Booth was staffed by Dick Isenberger.
- April 22nd, Earth Day Fly Casting Instructors – Mike Perry, Jim Impara, Tom Palka.
- April 28th, ARBWF Fly Casting Instructors – Mike Perry, Tom Palka, Keith Krebs, Jim Impara, Steve Craig, Drew Peternell.

I. BoD meetings attendance issue

- Keith reminded board members that there is an expectation that you will attend most, if not all, of the scheduled board meetings. Guidelines are that 1-2 absences per 12 month period are acceptable.
- Keith received a suggestion to consider adding an interim meeting and/or schedule a BoD "Speed Meeting" just prior to the regular member meetings to address any issues that come up between the regularly scheduled board meetings. The board would meet 15-30 minutes prior to the member meeting to take care of duties. These meetings would be open to the public, just as the current meetings are. This will be considered for the future as needed.

3. UPCOMING EVENTS

- April 19th – Caddis Festival Banquet Committee meeting, Noon, High Country Bank, Buena Vista
- April 22nd to 24th – CTU Spring Rendezvous; Hotel Colorado, Glenwood Springs, Colorado
- April 22nd and 29th – Salida Stream Explorers
- April 27th to 28th – Arkansas River Basin Water Forum; Salida Steam Plant
- May 3rd – Caddis Festival Banquet Sorting Meeting; Impara/Plake Residence
- May 6th and 13th – Salida Stream Explorers. May 6th is a fly-tying session.
- May 7th Caddis Festival Banquet and Auction; Chaffee County Fairgrounds
- May 24th – Buena Vista Conservation Camp – this is a 4 hour session for about 75 high school kids. Get in the water, look at bugs, temps, water quality, etc.

4. OLD BUSINESS:

a. SARELC update

- \$2,700 "Embrace a Stream" grant received from TU
- Project is moving slowly – grants are not all funded. Steve Craig asked about grant money from an old Leadville project and whether CPC still had that money available, since that project did not happen. Jason Willis thought that money may have been spent, but he will check on the status.
- There is about \$8,000 in money available for this project plus the \$2,700 Grant received this year. Jason Willis thought that starting a preliminary design would be a good use of the funds and a good way to keep the project moving.

b. Greenback Tanks at Mt. Shavano Hatchery completed.

Collegiate Peaks Chapter joined Cheyenne Mountain Chapter (CMC) to fund the purchase of fish tanks to raise the pure strain of the Greenback Cutthroat Trout at Mt. Shavano Hatchery. Doug Krieger (CPW), manager of the hatchery wrote: "Many thanks for supporting greenback recovery through purchase of these tanks. They will be a much better unit for the fingerling production, with greatly improved survival expected."

c. Sound System Purchased - \$785

d. CPC received thank you letters for recent donations from the following:

- CSU for \$2,000 donation to Robert J. Behnke Coldwater Conservation Chair
- ARBWF for \$500 Reservoir Sponsorship of the upcoming Forum
- GARNA for \$400 donation to their Wild and Scenic Film Festival

- e. CPC "Movie Night" Double Feature, September 14:
 - Hank Patterson Film "The Mystery of the Cuttyrainbrown Trout" (80 minutes, humorous)
 - Need to select one or more short films totaling about 30 min. Suggestions were made to contact Dan Clegg's son – he may have some ideas.
- f. Awaiting confirmation of Gomolchak and Monarch Conservation Grants
- g. Comments/Questions regarding 2016 Strategic Plan
Board Members should review the Strategic Planning Meeting Minutes (emailed to BoD this week) to help ensure we follow through and execute our plan.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Banquet Raffle Manager needed – Ann Klaiman
- b. Caddis Festival Banquet "Conservation Award"
 - LTUA was suggested by Fred Rasmussen. Jim Impara voiced some concern that LTUA has not been forthcoming with the terms of our MOU with them. Discussion ensued that it might be better to wait a year after we have worked with them more on the SARELC project.
 - Steve Craig suggested Friends of Browns Canyon – we could give the award to the board as a whole, as opposed to one person.
 - Fred Rasmussen suggested that we allow the winner to speak at the banquet after the presentation of the award.
 - Tom Arnot motioned that we give a Conservation Award to Friends of Brown's Canyon at the Caddis Festival. Jim Impara seconded. The motion passed without dissent.
- c. Saturday, May 21, 2016 for Highway 285 Clean-up – Jim Impara
 - Jim Impara noted that AHRA's clean up day is also May 21. We usually provide a couple of volunteers for their effort on the trail near Frantz Lake. This usually only takes two people.
 - **NEED A BBQ HOST** for the highway cleanup.
- d. Status of Highway 50 signage for Adopt-a-Highway Clean-up near Stockyard Bridge
 - The existing signage identifying Collegiate Peaks Anglers is still in place near the Stockyard Bridge. It has been many years since the chapter was responsible for this section of highway. There is some concern that our name is associated with a section of highway that may not be cleaned up regularly. Steve Craig will follow up with CDOT to see about having the sign removed.
- e. Engaging with TU Veterans Service Partnership
 - Keith named VSP Coordinator
 - Keith on panel for discussion of Veterans Programs at CTU Rendezvous
 - Continuing with Project Healing Waters fly fishing outing(s)
 - Set up collaboration with Salida Veterans Expeditions (fishing outings; Badger Basin rehab with CMC-TU)
Keith has had ongoing correspondence with CMC-TU on this subject. Greg Walck suggested he contact Allyn Kratz directly (President, CMC-TU)
 - Want to identify veterans within CPC-TU membership. Poll CPC-TU membership to identify Veterans
- f. CPC-TU representative at KHEN forum in Salida, April 24, 2016
 - Need a representative to sit on stage with other local non-profit organizations for KHEN forum. Jerry Wright agreed to attend.

- g. TU Teen Summit nominations needed
 - Jim Impara suggested one attendee from the BV Conservation Camp from a couple of years ago. Jim will try to find out his contact information.
- h. Greg Policky will be presenting at June 8th Member Meeting – Topic request from Greg
 - Steve Craig suggested he discuss how the bug population has been affected by the changes to the flow strategies that have been implemented.

6. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

- a. Volunteer Data Coordinator Monthly Report (as emailed) – Ann Klaiman
- b. Communications (as emailed) - Tom Palka

7. COMMENTS AND OTHER DISCUSSION

- a. Steve Craig mentioned that the World Fly Fishing Championships will be held in Vail this summer and wondered if there would be any "spillover" into the Arkansas valley.

Bill Dvorak motioned that the meeting be adjourned. Jim Impara seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm