

Colorado Women Flyfishers, Inc. Board of Directors Meeting
May 12, 2009
Location: REI Flagship Store

Call to Order: Joanie McCord, President, called the meeting to order at 6:45.

Roll Call / Quorum: Board members present were: Joanie McCord, Mary Manka, Jody Yehle, Dawn Blom, Anne Zadrazil, Mary Ellen Freas, Marion Roper, Betty Peterson, Anita English, Arlys Warfield. There was a quorum.

Approval of Agenda: Agenda was approved.

Approval of April Minutes: A motion was made and seconded to approve the April minutes.

New Business:

Treasurer:

- The balance sheet as of April 30th and the Profit and Loss Budget were provided by the Treasurer. The financial statement was emailed to CWFtalk by mistake.
- Sales tax exemption: The City of Denver does not accept the state sales tax exemption. Betty has the Denver forms but the current address for CWF is still Erie and needs to be changed with board approval. We use the P.O. Box for all IRS and State filings. Betty will find out if we need an actual address for the City.
- Jody, Arlys and Betty are the Budget Committee for this year.
- Joanie asked how this year's receipts compare to last year's. Betty will compile that information.

Education:

- The April Clinic had fifty-two signups, one no-show, and one refund and one late registration. Of the six volunteers, five showed up. Anne spent \$28.75 on postage for confirmations and thank you notes. Next year she would like to have smaller classes and more volunteers. Also, possibly a two day event with beginners on Saturday and intermediate/advanced on Sunday. North Fork is open to that idea. Kevin has dates open in the fall of 2009 if we are considering a fall clinic.
- Per last month's minutes, we discussed a "beginner's only" clinic in spring, intermediate/advanced in the fall. Anne will do some research and ask Maria for help with identifying beginners. Arlys requested that Anne propose a budget for this.
- Sandy Wright asked Anne to present to the board a proposal for some monetary support for the America's Cup Women's team. The total cost is \$2100 per team, five people per team. So far, four of them are CWF members – Sandy Wright, Janet Lopez, Debby Ratliffe and Connie Rogers. The dates are Aug. 21~28.

They also need volunteer controllers. Arlys reminded us that last year she signed up as a controller and ended up carrying water. The year before we were driving the teams and carrying gear to the different venues. We are also not getting any publicity lately from Charlie Meyer. It was suggested we call Diane Meyer and see if she can help.

Motion by Mary Ellen: CWF to support the Womens' team competitors in the America's Cup at \$500, as we did last year. Anne seconded.

Discussion: Some of the team members volunteer for everything and some do not. One is a paid instructor at the clinic. There is a concern of fairness as only one has asked for financial support and a couple have declined it. It was suggested that we ask for a commitment from anyone who gets financial support to volunteer at future CWF events. It was also suggested that if we provide monies for this, we make sure the check is written to the America's Cup and not an individual to maintain fairness. The team members can work the rest out between them. Random discussion continued and Jody called the question. The motion was carried with one opposed.

Motion by Mary Ellen: To write the check to the America's Cup for the registration fee. Betty seconded. The motion was carried.

Public Relations:

- Clothing sales – Joanie and Mary Ellen to find and order more logo shirts.

Trips:

- Report on the Arkansas – it didn't snow.
- Quincy Res. this weekend.

Special Projects:

- River Clean-up is in Deckers again this year. We have the use of an indoor space and a Park Ranger to speak to the group.

Programs:

- June speaker may be a repeat. Mary is trying to get topics that are peripherally related to fly fishing.

Membership:

- There are 186 total members. Maria is trying to get dates on when people joined CWF but has had only 71 responses.
- There will be a membership table set up at the WFFW clinic. Old newsletters will be available.

Public Events:

- Dawn has had an email and phone call from Greg Parks at West Denver T.U. asking if a CWF member would like to tie flies at the beginning of their meeting. Their board approved that person to wear a CWF shirt and would put a short bio

in their newsletter. Dawn will call a couple of members to see if there is an interest.

- Shows: AFTA and ISE are now the same weekend. We have a \$250 deposit down for a booth at ISE. (Dawn, please confirm amount)

Motion by Dawn: CWF to support Fly Fishing Show West instead of AFTA-ISE even though we have an early bird deposit for the ISE.

Discussion: Booth at FFSW has always been free to us and we can't staff two shows on the same weekend. The motion carried.

President:

- This year's election will require new people for Trips, Newsletter, Education, Public Events, Secretary, and President. Nominating Committee requirements – two current board members, one out-going, and one general member. Dawn and Marion volunteered and will find the third member. Each outgoing position to provide a "job description."
- Joanie feels the newsletter is the glue that holds the club together, statewide and nationally. Deb Nelson has been conducting a survey on if members would like to "opt-out" of receiving the paper copy and would prefer an email copy. Arlys reminded us that the price per newsletter will go up if the quantity goes down.
- There will be no Board meetings in June or July.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:17.



Jody Yehle, Secretary