

TU Meeting Minutes 9/12/2023

Monday, September 11, 2023

10:39 AM

- Meeting called to order at 19:08
- 16 members in attendance / 2 new guests (Mike and Bob)
- Minutes from June aren't available - Don had a few notes
- Financial update from June read and accepted
- Plans for the year:
 - General Meeting - Sept - Dec
 - Take off January
 - Fly tying class in Feb
 - March is the Flea Market
 - Meetings April / May
 - June, July, August
- Present ideas for speakers to Don. Members are encouraged to present on their trips
- Trout in the Classroom
 - New school in Lansdale is getting setup and going
 - We have 10 schools active in the program
 - \$18k available to schools in grants - Upper Moreland was a recipient
- Member Pat Grumbrecht (PA SGW) was awarded Deputy of the Year
- Annual PA TU meeting is on 9/16. No members attending to our knowledge.
- A professor at Temple was looking to start a TU Chapter. Rich was initially supportive of the idea, but as it turns out its not Ambler, but rather Main Campus in N. Philadelphia. Rich has realized that its not the ideal environment and logistically a challenge.
- Fall stocking - we'll collect chapter donations next month. Hoping water levels increase and temps drop before we stock
- Stream sensors
 - Tree damaged existing sensors
 - They are now moved to opposite side of creek - have to be accessed by crossing the creek
 - Don improved the setup
 - We'll need to see if we can improve access to the meter from land - exploring different path options
- Legislative issue - HB1300
 - Bill passed from Senate to House
 - Diverted funds from the PGC to be used for "Clean Streams" - \$150M
 - On service it sounds good, but it is putting the PGC into a bind with Pittman-Robertson funding if the proposed funds are diverted
 - National TU is opposed to this bill
 - Please contact legislators and voice your opposition to this bill
- Trips
 - We haven't had a chapter trip since Covid
 - Starting thinking of ideas and destinations - we don't want to let another year go by without a chapter trip
 - Frying Pan River is a suggestion
- PFBC update
 - Trout Stocking for Pennypack on October 12th
- Membership donation
 - Suggesting \$20 per person - its voluntary
 - Money is used to benefit chapter - speakers, etc
- Meeting was adjourned at 19:45
- Guest speaker is Mike Moran from Orvis in Plymouth Meeting