OIL CREEK CHAPTER OF TROUT UNLIMITED

Minutes of the Board of Directors and Membership Meeting April 19, 2017/ King's Family Restaurant, Franklin, PA

CALL TO ORDER: 6:33 PM Gary Ross, President

ROLL CALL: Officers: President Gary Ross, Vice President Don Wilson,

Treasurer Dan Rockwell, Secretary, Vaughn MacGregor.

Directors: Joe Lehosky, Jennifer Lyons, Suzan Senko.

Members/guests: Regis Senko, Tom Young

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD and MEMBERSHIP MEETING

* MOTION to approve March meeting minutes: By Tom Young; 2nd Dan Rockwell Vote – Approved.

<u>ACTIVITY PARTICIPATION LIST</u>: Please list any Chapter Activities you have participated in since the last meeting. Note them on tonight's Attendance Sheet beside your name.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

<u>President's Report</u> – Gary Ross: 1. We received a communication from LL Bean that, due to numerous requests, they can only make a fly rod donation to an organization every 3rd year.

2. We received a thank you letter from Franklin YMCA for our recent donation. We also received a thank you note from a family for supporting their membership.

<u>Treasurer's Report</u> -- Dan Rockwell:

Beginning balance: \$12,749.23 Total deposits: \$10,102.10 Total expenses: \$5,232.76

Ending Balance: \$17,618.57

*MOTION to approve officers' reports: By Joe Lehosky; 2nd Jennifer Lyons. Vote – Approved.

PROJECT REPORTS

<u>Banquet 2017</u> – Tom Young: Our 34th annual banquet was completely sold out again. The evening was a great success, and we cleared more profits than last year. We have already set the date for next year for Saturday, April 7th. The Inn was a gracious supporter making sure we were satisfied in every way. A summary will be posted on our website soon. Thanks to all who helped.

Next year's banquet is scheduled for April 7, 2018.

<u>Youth Field Day</u> – Regis Senko: Venango County Youth Field Day is scheduled for June 17.

<u>Venango County Conservation District:</u> – Tim Hummel: Tim Hummel was not able to attend the meeting tonight due to prior obligations. He sent the following report:

There has been no recent news from the district standpoint. However, talking to Ty Ryen (Forester for DCNR) they are trying to be more involved with streambank stabilization projects. In the future, if there are any projects that entail re-vegetation/tree planting with stream bank stabilization, discussing this with Ty is recommended.

<u>Trout in the Classroom:</u> – Tim Hummel/ Gary Ross: John Terejko has offered to help with any TIC needs.

Regis Senko will ask Mr. Winter, a teacher with the Conservation Club at Cranberry High School, about possible involvement with Trout In The Classroom.

<u>OLD BUSINESS</u> – Gary Ross and Vaughn MacGregor represented OCTU at the Polk Center Earth Day events earlier today.

Vaughn MacGregor received an Email from Andrew C. Keth of Clarion University inquiring whether OCTU intended to contribute to the Freshwater Conservation Scholarship again this year. It is our understanding that the scholarship was not awarded in a prior year. So, there is a question whether we owe our share this year. Vaughn MacGregor will inquire about this. The funds are budgeted for this year.

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u> – Jennifer Lyons will explore the possibility of the chapter starting a Facebook page.

There was a discussion on when to have the budget meeting. Some members cannot make it on the usual meeting date. Possibly we could have it on May 24. UPDATE: The budget meeting will be held on Thursday, May 25 2017 as the meeting room was reserved for another group on May 24. We will meet at the usual meeting time: dinner at 5-5:30 and the meeting at 6:30.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Good of the Order from the Floor: Dan Rockwell reported on survey sheets he collected from the boxes on Little Sandy Creek. Respondents were impressed with the improvements we have done. There were some very good comments.

"Thanks for Being Present, You Win" Drawing (\$25 gift card):

Name drawn: Suzan Senko

Motion to adjourn: Suzan Senko; 2nd Tom Young. Vote – Approved.

Meeting adjourned at 7:17 PM.