



Santa Lucia Fly Fishers Board of Directors Meeting July 14, 2022

Vice President Bob Bayer called the meeting to order at 5:10 PM. Present at IHOP were Robert Hartzell, Charlotte Kelley, Rick Saval, Lew Leichter and Don Wheeler. Eric Tingloff and Bernard Pieters attended via Zoom. Rick Sample and Kevin Shaw did not attend.

1. The minutes from the June 9, 2022 BOD meeting were reviewed. Lew moved and Rick Saval seconded that these be approved. The motion carried.
2. Robert Hartzell presented the Financial Report. He noted that there was nothing out of the ordinary. Lew moved and Don seconded that the Report be approved. The motion carried.
3. Bob Bayer reported on Santa Rita Ranch. He noted that the project to replace the stairs near the farm house begins on July 22. We need to have 4-5 people per day helping and some of the days do not have enough volunteers. Bob suggested that people who have benefited from access to SRR need to step up and help. Bernard noted the concerns about heat in Northern SLO county in July and August. Bob will approach LCSLO about starting early and will make certain the volunteers are not overtaxed during the work parties. Bob noted that the fishing has been very slow and that he may only open the lake to fishing for a couple of days in August and September.
4. Charlotte reported on the Fall Picnic at Wolff Vineyard. It will be on September 10th from 12-3 PM. Robert and Charlotte will craft a one page instruction sheet for members to sign in via the website. They can also use a mail in option. This will be sent via E-Blast email and the newsletter. Juve will cater sandwiches and members will bring other dishes based on the first letter of their surname. Members will also be reminded of the boat and rod and reel raffle using the same E-Blast and newsletter mechanisms. The club will need to purchase water and plates but have enough other supplies.
5. Lew reported that there is a 8 weight outfit missing from the storage unit. However John Sanders of the Delphinus School had been donated several 7 or 8 weight rods that he would be willing to pass onto SLFF if they are serviceable. Lew will have a look at them and determine if the donated rods will be useable. There was discussion about improving the system of checking out loaner gear. Most felt that the system is workable but the club needs to limit the number of members who have access to the storage unit. Also, that the members authorized to check out gear (Saval, Sample and Mark Shelton) need to be diligent about documenting when they issue gear. Rick Saval felt that it would be good to purchase a new lock and to change the access code. Don moved and Charlotte seconded a motion to have Rick Saval purchase a new lock and limit the members with access. The motion carried.
6. Lew reported on programs for 2023. These will be a mixture of having the speakers address the club via Zoom with others In-Person. The club owns a camera which will allow broadcasting a live In-Person presentation over Zoom. Several board members felt that we should begin to have meetings that would not be broadcast over Zoom but which would require the members be present to attend. It was noted that several other Southwest Council clubs had moved back to In-Person only formats and that we are missing out on

the social interactions that occurred when members got together. In particular, new members may be shortchanged. Other board members feel that Covid is still a significant issue and the Hybrid meetings provide other benefits such as allowing members who cannot attend meetings in SLO to participate. It was felt that there are other ways to assist new members such as improving the Mentoring Program. The majority of the board want to continue with Hybrid meetings for now.

7. Being no further business, Don moved and Rick Saval seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted, Don Wheeler Secretary