



Board of Directors October 13, 2022

President Eric Tingloff called the meeting to order at 5pm.

Members present at IHOP: Lew Leichter, Charlotte Kelley, Robert Hartzell, Rick Saval and Don Wheeler. Members attending via Zoom: Rick Sample and Bob Bayer. Guests Ken Baldwin attended in person and Gary Brennen attended via Zoom.

Minutes from August 11, 2022 were reviewed. Lew Leichter moved and Rick Saval seconded that the minutes be approved. The motion carried.

Robert Hartzell presented the Financial Report. He noted that September had a number of large expenses including \$800 for the Fall Picnic but that these were anticipated and there is still \$8200 in the bank account. Don Wheeler moved and Charlotte Kelley seconded that the Financial Report be approved. The motion carried.

Eric commented that the picnic was an operational success. Attendees felt that the catered chicken was great but that the Tri-Tip was marginal. Lew recommended that the club consider using Costco catering in the future. Robert noted that the Special Raffle for the Scadden pontoon boat was a successful fund raiser.

Santa Rita Ranch update. It is no longer necessary to be completely secretive about our relationship with the Land Conservancy but several members noted that it is in our best interests to be cautious about sharing information about our access to non-members. The lake currently has a very low water level and is still green from algae. It probably won't be fishable until after significant rains. Lew noted that there is a significant amount of information on the website about SRR and to refer members to our site if they have questions.

Eric reminded BOD members that the Banquet is on March 11, 2023 and that BOD members should make themselves available to help with planning and implementation.

Eric called each officer and board member to ask them about their interest in continuing in 2023. Of the officers: Eric will continue as President in 2023 but the club will need to find a VP who can assume the job of President in 2024. Bob Bayer does not want to be President and will give up his role as VP for 2023. Robert Hartzell noted that he had been in his Treasurer role for four years and does not wish to continue in 2023. Don Wheeler agreed to continue as Secretary for one more year.

Of the current Board Members, except for Charlotte Kelley, all will continue if needed. Charlotte does not want to continue on the Board or in her current role as Membership Chair. Gary Brennen and Ken Baldwin have been identified as potential Board Members for 2023.

Positions available include Vice President and Treasurer. Eric asked Board Members if they were interested in taking on these positions. Ken Baldwin indicated that he would be interested in the VP job but would not want to take on the President role in 2024.

The Board felt that increasing the number of Board member might widen the pool of potential officers. Lew moved and Rick Sample seconded a motion to change the club bylaws to increase the number of Board members to 12. The motion carried.

There continue to be questions about what the club is doing to train members in Fly Fishing techniques. Lew is putting on his Fly Fishing 101 discussion in the next week. It was noted that FFI has a learning center that may assist members who want to increase their skills and given the success of the Fish Camp outing on the Western Slope of the Sierra, the club may want to develop more trips there since it is so much closer.

Mail Chimp and E-Blasts are distributing emails to all members but only 73-74% of those emails get opened. These members are missing out on a lot of information. Eric will write a note for the Newsletter and will mention in the meetings that they should contact someone if they are not receiving this correspondence. We will also be actively encouraging members to renew membership and make other purchases on the Marketplace rather than sending in checks.

Lew did a survey of Membership fees in other clubs. He noted that SLFF has a very inexpensive annual fee compared to others. Lew moved and Rick Saval seconded that the fees be increased to \$45 annually and \$30 after July 1 beginning with 2023. The motion carried.

There being no further business, Don Wheeler moved and Rick Saval seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted: Don Wheeler Secretary