Spokane Walleye Club

Board Meeting: January 26, 2022 6:00 PM at INWC

Officers Present: Smiley Hatcher (President), Ken Shatzer (Vice

President), Allan Walker (Treasurer), Mark McFall

(Secretary)

Board Members Present: Travis Scholten, Larry Quaintance, Stan Judd

Absent: John Calkins

General Members Present: Tom Fischer, Paul Logman

Treasurer's Report

Checking Project Club Total \$571.74 \$17.645.09 \$9.003.84 \$27.220.67

2021 Year End

Total Income (Club Income + Project Income) \$6,200.10 Total Expenses \$5,145.20 Net Income \$1,054.90

Total Assets \$25,778.67

Spring Picnic Reservations

Smiley advised that since we have both A and B Locust Grove group sites reserved as a contingency measure (due to last year's Covid restrictions), he will work with Greg Koch and the Park Service (NPS) to see if we can lift one of our reservations to free it up for the family that usually camps there in the smaller site at the same time as long as the NPS will allow our group to use the larger site. Of course this depends on what the Covid situation is as we approach that time and what the NPS's policies will be.

Smiley has arranged for Shelby Ross of Ross Outdoor Adventures (a fishing guide service at Moses Lake and Potholes) to be our guest speaker at next month's membership meeting. The board authorized Smiley to take Mr. Ross to dinner and give him a \$50 gift card for his efforts.

Smiley will miss next month's board meeting as a result and Ken will have the con.

Big Horn Show — March 17-20, 2022

Allan advised that our booth rental fee to the INWC for last year's show has been rolled over to this year due to the show being cancelled last year over Covid.

We will sell \$1 tickets again. We still have some prizes left over from our last show and Allan volunteered to purchase what else will be needed, such as fishing gear and a Yeti cooler.

Ken was volunteered to be the event coordinator and Larry will make calls to enlist members to serve two-hour shifts staffing the booth. Travis will circulate a paper sign-in sheet at tonight's membership meeting to enroll volunteers to staff the booth. Ken, Mark, and Tom Fischer volunteered to help set-up the booth; a few more volunteers for this would be appreciated.

Website

Our webmaster, Greg Koch, does a marvelous job with our website (and he is a busy guy), which has recently been upgraded to be secure (https). Smiley has been contacted by a member who has extensive computer experience and who has volunteered to assist as necessary. Smiley will explore this further with Greg.

Projects

Regarding the fish habitats at Marion Resort and the Bureau of Reclamation in Clarkston as to Snake River campsite upgrades, Allan advised that he has received no response to either of these yet.

Randy Osborne (WDFW) updated Mark this week on his Kids Fishing trailer project. The Kalispel Tribe has donated \$5,000 and Randy purchased an 18' trailer, which cost \$7,500. Randy was able to do this by juggling other Kids Fishing funds and would like to replace those funds with additional donations. He estimates the cost of the graphics to be \sim \$2,500. His goal is \$5,000 to complete the project.

Donor's names and logos will be displayed in the graphics on the trailer. The largest donors will have the largest most prominent graphics. So far, that is the Kalispell Tribe and the INWC.

When the trailer's title is transferred from the INWC to the WDFW, Randy will arrange for the trailer's use to be restricted to this district of the WDFW only.

Absent other current and viable projects, and with plenty of available project funds, and with all the goodwill and positive feedback we get from supporting Kids Fishing, Mark advocated for strong support for this project and the ongoing advertising it would provide for the club with a prominent graphic display.

Randy hopes to get the graphics done in time to have the trailer on display at the Big Horn show.

Members wished to query Randy further as to the details, size, and placement of our graphic. Randy was unavailable for a phone conference tonight and Mark texted him requesting a zoom meeting, which was agreeable to the board members. Pending.

<u>December Banquet</u>

Smiley reported that the feedback on the setting (INWC), food and the caterer has been very positive.

Larry thought the lure tree raffle went better than ever before with multiple winners instead of just one taking the whole tree. He recommended that we continue doing the lure raffle the same way in future years. The board agreed.

<u>Tournament</u>

Travis floated the idea of hosting a tournament in December at Kettle Falls, a standalone tournament that would not be part of the circuit. Food for thought. Tabled.

<u>Adjournment</u>

6:52 PM

Next Board Meeting

Wednesday, February 23, 2022 at 6:00 PM at the INWC.