

MIDDLE ROGUE STEELHEADERS
BOARD MEETING
TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2008

The meeting was called to order by President Chuck Closterman at 6:30 p.m.

The minutes of the July BOD meeting minutes having been posted on the web sight were already approved.

The Treasurer's report was given by Treasurer John Saliba.

A reminder to the membership of the club picnic at Tom Pierce Park on Saturday, August 9, 2008.

Ralph Trigo made the motion to write a check for \$60.00 to the church for Angler Ed Instructor Class on Saturday, Sept. 27, 2008. Bill Hickey will take the check to the church.

Officers and committee chair reports:

Mike Cooley reported on the meeting for rules changes by ODFW. MRS will be represented by Mike Cooley who will attend the meeting in Salem, Friday, August 8, 2008, to show support for the changes we are supporting on the Illinois and the Upper Rogue. He also reported on the permit process for Indian Mary boat ramp. Permits have been submitted to the COE and DSL where they will be forwarded to other federal and state agencies for review. All is proceeding slowly. He reported on the Gilbert Creek oil spill, and on the Fish Lake Netting Project.

Bob Turner reported on the Lake Fishing BBQ to be held on Wed., August 20th at Cantrell Buckley Park. It will be held at 11:00 a.m. The last lake club trip at Diamond Lake went well. There were lots of bugs and big fish. John Saliba caught the largest fish at 21". The next trip will be to Fish Lake on August 27th. More on this later.

Secretary Bill Hickey reported on the rowing classes he has offered to the membership. So far 15 people have spent time on the oars. He also reported on the back bounce/side drift clinic. It attracted 4 people.

John Blackledge reported on the river trips. He is taking sign ups for August 21, Sept 3 and the 15 of Sept. Signups will be at the picnic.

Ed Chapman reported on the Chamber of Commerce meeting that MRS sponsored. It was well received and appreciated by the Chamber.

Bob Turner reported on the nominations for the September MRS election. As of now all officers will stay as they are: President, Chuck Closterman, 1st Vice, Bob Rice, 2nd Vice, Keith Miller, Secretary, Bill Hickey, Treasurer, John Saliba. Board positions are Cole Tidwell (currently in one year position), Mike Strahan (currently in one year board position). MRS members wanting to run for board position are Harry Gattey, Marian Treece, Don Crow, Maynard Flohaug, Mark Kelso

and Howard Arnold. JEFF BIRDSONG, RALPH TRIGO, AND LLOYD TRUDEAU will not run again. John Blackledge has announced that he will step down at the end of September and not fill the final year of the current two year board position he is in. The board decided to fill the position by board appointment in October rather than put it in this year's election. Additional nominations from the floor are in order at both meetings. A motion was made to accept the nominations for BOD. It was passed.

With Lloyd Trudeau leaving the club, Tom Treece will assist Lloyd in September and then take over the club raffle at club meetings in October. This will be acted on at the September BOD meeting.

We need some one to step forward to take care of distributing newsletters here in Grants Pass and in Medford.

Discussion followed on the possibility of creating an Assistant Treasurer position.

Chuck Fustish from ODFW needs a replacement person for Bud Hatton to be the fish line collector. Bill Jackson volunteered. It takes about 1 day every 3 months to do the job.

Roger King addressed the meetings in Salem on fishing regulations. It is this Friday, but we need people there to support our points of view. Discussion followed.

The board made a motion to cover gas for Mike Cooley and the club members attending the meeting in Salem, up to \$100.00. John Blackledge made the motion and it was seconded by a board member. Hand written letters have more input to the commissioners than emails or phone calls.

Lou Hickey gave a Salmon Derby report. We are opening the dinner up to the public. Tickets will be on sale at Backlash Tackle, U Save Gas, Bradbury's Evergreen Federal, Joe's and Blackbird.

Janos Olah would like the club trophies that we have received displayed at the Derby dinner. Discussion followed.

The total dinner count has to be to the caterers by September 2nd. An earlier one needs to be given to them August 24th. Name tags will be made by Margaret Crow for all those participating in the Derby. Extra T- Shirts will be available the night of the Derby.

Chuck Closterman discussed the roster of club members available to members. Discussion followed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m. Bill Hickey - Secretary