

Milwaukee Chapter of Muskies Inc. Board Meeting Minutes–August 17, 2010



Submitted by Bill Weyers

Board Members: (in Attendance in **Bold**):

Joel Michel	Tom Arvoy	Jim Gallion	Darrel Mack
Craig Ader	Don Jahncke	Ron Groeschl	Mike Phelps
Nikki Moskaluk	Craig Niermann	Bob Petzke	Bill Weyers
Jack Senn	Larry Price	Nancy Hinkforth	

The meeting was held at Smokey's Muskie Shop, Pewaukee, WI. Craig Ader called the meeting to order at 6:15PM. James Kwapil also attended.

Secretary's Report: *(Nicole was not present.)*

- Minutes from the May meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by Tom Arvoy and seconded by Joel Michel that the minutes be accepted.

Treasurer's Report: Nancy H.

- Total available funds are approximately \$14,000 as of 08/17/10. This is net of appropriations of \$500 for the Dick Petzke headstone plaque, \$500 for the Dick Wanasek fund (might be used for the stocking of Amron Pond), and \$100 for the Ralph Andersen 2010 outing. The Treasurer's report was accepted.

President's Report:

- Bob Petzke was not present and there was no President's report.

Speakers Report:

- Jim Gallion was not present, but Mike Phelps informed the Board that speakers have been arranged through the February 2011 meeting.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Topic</u>
Sept. 28, 2010	Darrell Tolliver	Mepps and Navonics; color, sound and mapping aids
Oct. 26, 2010	Gary Engberg	Wisconsin River Muskies
Nov. 16, 2010	Jim Gallion	Crankbaits: modifications, tips & secrets
Jan. 25, 2011	Mark Anderson	Shimano Pro-Staffer – Reel Repair
Feb. 22, 2011	Kevin Wagner	Systematically Attacking Locations

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Merchandise Program: Ron G.

- Ron Groeschl was not present and there was no report.
- Tom Arvoy receives many offers to sell merchandise of soliciting vendors. Tom will pass this information on to Ron since some of it seems like it has good fund-raising potential.

Membership Report: Tom A.

	<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>
New Memberships	1	0	0
Memberships Dropped	13	3	1
Memberships Renewed	11	12	6
Total Memberships at End of Month	222	221	222
Change from Previous Month	-5	-1	+1

International Report:

- Ron Groeschl was not present and there was no report.

Club Events:

- **Daniel Boone Outing** – Six club members attended and helped from 40-45 youngsters on a 3-hour fishing trip. The winner caught 35 fish. A rod and reel was awarded to the top finisher in the boys and girls categories. The Board expressed thanks to the following club members who made this event possible: Roy Hinkforth, Nancy Hinkforth, Tom Arvoy, Mike Phelps, Craig Ader, and Pat Kilps.
- **Annual Club Banquet** – The Board discussed the need for an annual banquet / auction to help the club with its fund raising needs. Tom Arvoy will bring to the next meeting a list of tasks that a banquet chairperson would need to oversee in order to have a successful event. The Board believes that by involving more members and dividing the work it would be possible to have a March 2011 banquet. The use of professional fund raisers was also discussed and Craig Ader will look into how this might be arranged.
- **Monthly Club Outings** – The monthly club outings to date this year have been a big success, thanks to Nancy and Roy Hinkforth. The August outing on Friday, August 20, 2010 will be handled by James Kwapil.
- **Veterans' Outing** – Joel Michel is the chairperson handling the Ralph Anderson Veterans' Outing that will be held September 18, 2010. Joel is still in need of fishermen with boats, first mates that can cast for veterans who can't, food preparers, and others that might be able to assist in this effort.
- **Gil Hamm Memorial Chapter Challenge** – Tom Arvoy, Mike Phelps and Craig Ader will represent the chapter at this year's Gil Hamm tournament on Lake Vermilion, MN from 08/25/2010 through 08/27/2010.
- **Other Events** – The club also has planned an outing at Bauer's Dam Resort on Lower Buckatabon Lake by Craig Ader and additional youth outings arranged by Joel Michel.

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Members Only Fishing Contest: Bill Weyers

- 286 releases have been registered in the Lunge Log as of August 16, 2010. A report of entries by division and points was reviewed. Bill Weyers will send Mike Phelps copies of Lunge Log updates for inclusion on the website.

Pond & Stocking: Mike Phelps, James Kwapil

- Mark Mickelson viewed the pond and offered suggestions that more brush cutting should be done and pond aeration may be needed.
- Mike Phelps and James Kwapil worked on the pond over the weekend of August 14 – 15 and took care of most of the brush problems. They expect the remaining problems will be resolved during the week of August 15, 2010.
- A professional musky raiser (Rob Jost) confirmed that it would take 600 – 800 pounds of minnows to grow 10” muskies planted in Fall to 20” by Spring.
- Dave Robinson can supply us with minnows at a cost of \$3.20/lb. until Sept 4th and \$3.40/lb. thereafter.
- Holes in the Amron Pond drain pipe are between ¾ and 1 inch in diameter. Both minnows and musky fingerlings can escape through holes this big. Ben Heussner of the Wisconsin DNR has assured us that they will install a screen over the drain pipe in the very near future.
- The Wisconsin DNR will deliver 100 musky fingerlings to the pond during the week of August 22, 2010. Mike will arrange for 200 lbs. of minnows to be planted in the pond before they arrive.
- An additional 100 Leech Lake fingerlings will be purchased and planted in the pond in October, 2010.
- A motion was made to allocate \$4,000 of club funds to finance the purchase of muskie fingerlings and minnows. This allocation includes about \$500 of contingency over and above what the club expects to spend for the minnows and muskies. The Board agreed that \$4,000 is not a cap on what the club will be willing to spend on this project. If unforeseen circumstances arise, then additional funding may be required to protect the club’s investment. Tom Arvoy seconded this motion and the Board approved.
- Ben Heussner of the Wisconsin DNR presented Mike Phelps with a “Cooperative Agreement” that he said was standard procedure for projects involving fishing clubs and the Wisconsin DNR. Ben would like the club to execute and return this document to him as soon as possible. A good deal of discussion ensued about the covenants in this agreement and what it would mean to liability obligations of our club and club members. Tom Arvoy will contact the Parent Organization’s attorney to find out the practical legal implications to some of the clauses contained in the “Cooperative Agreement”.

Other Business:

- Because of the late hour and the host’s desire to close for the day, all other club business was deferred to the September meeting.

At 8:30 PM, it was moved, seconded and approved that the meeting be adjourned.