



Directors: Art Cottrell, Keven Graham, Ken Krueger, Mike Lesiak, John Martyn, and Steve Shapiro
Ex Officio Director: Willie Beshire; **Emeritus Directors:** Jeff Berg, Joe Hammon, Ed Michael, Gregory Prosen, Marvin Strauch, Doug Vanerka, Joseph Vitti

Officers: Dave Carlson, President; Dan LaFave, Vice President; Jack Potts, Treasurer; Carol Hennessy, Secretary

Annual Membership Meeting Minutes

On Wednesday, January 17, 2024, 7:00 PM the OBTU Chapter held its Annual Meeting at Oak Brook Park District, Central Park West, 1500 Forest Gate Road, Oak Brook, IL 60523 and Via Zoom.

Call to Order:

Vice President D, LaFave called to Order the Annual Membership Meeting at 7:05 p.m.

D. LaFave reported that D. Carlson is on the Zoom Call; he is convalescing at home.

M. Strauch reported on our Youth Fly Fishing Program, our StreamGirls Program, and our Trout in the Classroom Program. He welcomes any new and returning volunteers to help out in these programs. The "Train the Trainer" day is scheduled for Saturday, March 2nd.

C. Hennessy reported to the membership that the Leadership Development and Nominating Committee has nominated the following members to serve a full term of 3 years as Directors: Keven Graham and John Martyn.

Further nominations may be made from the floor.

No nominations were made from the floor. A motion was made by C. Hennessy and seconded by M. Strauch to approve the slate as presented. Upon show of hands, the general membership approved the election of the aforementioned nominees as Directors, with one dissenting vote.

C. Hennessy announced that the Leadership Development and Nominating Committee had nominated the following members to serve a term of one year in the offices as indicated: President – Dave Carlson, Vice President – Dan LaFave, Secretary - Carol Hennessy, and Treasurer – Jack Potts. Further nominations may be made from the floor. No nominations were made from the floor. Action on the approval of this slate would be by the new Board of Directors.

D. LaFave announced that the Schaumburg Fishing Show is from January 25th thru January 28th. The Illinois Council of Trout Unlimited will have a booth at this show. The Tinley Park Fishing Show is February 16th thru February 18th. We are looking for volunteers to help staff the booth.

W. Beshire announced the Fall Fishing Trips dates. The Wisconsin Trip is September 13th – September 15th, with lodging at Nature Nooks. The Iowa Trip is October 11th – October 13th.



K. Krueger reported that our Chapter is now part of the Wisconsin Adopt-a-Highway program. Our stretch of highway is Highway 56 between County Road 5 and Easts Reed Drive. Our chapter will pick up trash on this section of roadway three times per year.

K. Krueger announced that we will be hosting a special fly tying event. This one day event will cost \$75 and is limited to 12 participants. Participants are asked to bring their vises. Materials and lunch will be provided.

K. Krueger stated that the Board is interested to see if there is continued interest in our DVD lending library. Please let C. Hennessy or him know of any interest.

After the conclusion of the general business, the chapter welcomed Jason Randall who spoke on "When All Else Fails; Tactics to Catch Trout on Slow Days"

Seeing that there was no new business, the Annual Membership Meeting was adjourned at 8:40.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved: February 14, 2024
Date

Carol Hennessy
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Secretary