



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

January 5, 2021

Location: Via Zoom video conferencing

Present – John Aaron, Allen Adinoff, David Coward, John Cristantiello, George Franklin, Todd Johnston, Peter King (Emeritus), Jim Klug (Emeritus), Ray Nagashima, Richard Pilatzke (Emeritus), Buzz Soard, Scott Tampa, Ron Taniwaki, Brian Young (Vice-President),

Absent:

Guests: Corey Martin

Emeritus not in attendance: Cam Chandler, Ken James, Sharon Lance, Matt Moskal, Mike Myers, Jim Rasmussen

7:00 PM – Brian called the meeting to order. A quorum of 14 was established.

Meeting was held by Zoom video conferencing kindly arranged by George Franklin

A motion was made to approve the December meeting minutes, seconded and the minutes were approved.

CALENDAR REVIEW: Key Events: [see calendar](#)

CALENDAR REVIEW / MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Date	Event	Topic	CCTU BOD Coordinator	Presenter Contact Info
1/5/21	CCTU Board Meeting	Via Zoom		
1/14/21	CCTU/CSU Edu Meeting	Steve Bailey Memorial Research Fellowship – Candidate selection criteria via Zoom	George Franklin	
1/19/21	Membership Meeting	Josh Nugent – Out Fly Fishing Outfitters, Calgary The Seven Deadly Sins of Sight Fishing, The Seven Deadly Sins of Streamer Fishing	Brian	
2/6/21	CCTU Annual Planning meeting	Via Zoom (9:00am – 11:30am)	Brian	
2/16/21	Membership Meeting	Dick Jefferies – Rocky Mtn Fly Casters, Poudre Headwaters Greenback Restoration Project	Brian	
3/2/21	CCTU Board Meeting	Via Zoom		
3/11/21	Virtual River Stewardship Gala with online Auction			
3/16/21	Membership Meeting	Chip Swanson – Breckenridge Outfitters, 2018 Orvis Endorsed Guide of the Year, Winter Fly Fishing	Brian	
4/6/21	CCTU Board Meeting	Via Zoom		
4/17/21	Digital Spring CTU Board Meeting		Ray/John A	
4/20/21	Membership Meeting			

4/30 – 5/2/21	Denver Fly Fishing Show	Denver Mart		
5/4/21	CCTU Board Meeting	Via Zoom		
5/18/21	Membership Meeting	Steve Bailey Memorial Research Fellowship Recipient (Tawni Riepe) presentation – Potential effects of bacterial kidney disease in The Greenback Cutthroat Trout in Colorado	George Franklin	

President's Report:

- **Calendar Reminders:**
 - The Annual Planning meeting will be conducted on Feb 6, 2021 from 9:00 to 11:30am via zoom and will take place in lieu of the BOD meeting
- **CCTU President:** Allen announced his intent to remain on the Board, but to step down as President beginning January 1, 2021. A new replacement still needs to be found. Cam Chandler has identified a potential replacement (Aaron Gardner) but timing to bring him up to speed would cause considerable gap in this position within the Chapter. Further discussions are pending.
 - Brian Young volunteered to plan and lead the Annual Planning meeting: Date 2/6/21
 - We will need to share in Presidential duties regarding the monthly Board meetings until a new Prez is identified.
 - New Board Member: Ron Taniwaki agreed to join the BOD. Initial focus will be on the Chapters Social Media communication platforms.
 - BOD responsibilities (attached) – This list will be reviewed and finalized at the planning meeting in February. Please let Brian know if there is anything missing
 - Financial Quarterly Report – Discussions are active to see if Stephanie Young could take on this task. Need to work out the details of reimbursement for her efforts
- **Special guest Corey Martin:** introduced to the Board by George Franklin; Corey is a Denver native and a TU member for several years. He attended the Board meeting to see how he could help the Chapter. Corey will also be attending the February Planning Meeting

Membership Meetings:

- **Cresthill Middle school.**
 - Consensus of the Board is that face to face meeting will not happen until after the second quarter of the year. This information will be used for presenter scheduling, and to let the school know
 - Zoom usage – George stated that he has access to the zoom account as long as he is under contract (contract renewed for each school term). If George's access will be interrupted the Board will then authorize paying for a zoom license that provides access to the same level as we are currently using
 - Jan, Feb, and March meetings are set with Fishing presenters. Conservation will have the Steve Bailey Memorial Research Fellowship recipient presentation in May (BOD coordinator – George Franklin). Conservation will request USFS River Rangers Program presentation (BOD coordinator – Scott Tampa)

Conservation Programs/other events:

- Cheeseman Canyon Overuse: Scott Tampa, Peter King, George Franklin with assistance from John Egan
 - There has been lots of discussion about how to best protect and preserve the Canyon. John Egan suggested an approach in an email November 2

Scott Tampa, Peter King, George Franklin with the assistance of John Egan will continue to work this project and will formulate a written document that puts boundaries on the effort CCTU will provide so the lead Board Member has guidance when speaking to CPW or the FS . These boundaries could include (but not limited to) not wanting to fund rangers downstream of the confluence with the North Fork, Nothing below mile 67.2 (near Scraggy View) where the river is no longer special regulations? Just Cheesman upstream from the Wigwam "iron curtain", If CCTU volunteers are provided, what will they do and will there area be limited to Cheesman Canyon?

- In the meantime, Peter arranged a Zoom mtg with two wildlife managers at CPW and CCTU/David Nickum to explore interest in the AHRA concept

- The meeting was held on December 29 to discuss CPW's potential interest in a management role for Cheesman Canyon, given the ever-increasing stress due to increased use of the canyon. A model that we discussed was the collaborative agreement in place between CPW, BLM and USFS for the Arkansas Headwaters Recreation Area (AHRA).
 - CPW (Matt Martinez) noted that:
 - CPW had a presence in AHRA with a state park, which made it easy to work out an agreement with the federal agencies. However, there is no state park near Cheesman, so this would make it more difficult.
 - He has 10 District Managers across 6 counties, so the staff in his area is stretched thin, just as USFS staff is stretched.
 - Regarding CPW's budget, this is ok for wildlife but not for parks.
 - He has heard that CPW might be interested in establishing a park near the Denver metro area, in a place that includes water.
 - CPW (Tyler Swarr) said that Mikaele Painter recently secured funding from Denver Water for the 2021 River Rangers program. We do not know if they got all the funding they need. We will need to find out from Mikaele. **(Scott Tampa action)**
 - George noted that the River Rangers did not patrol Cheesman that much. Their territory is large and Cheesman is a difficult area to patrol.
 - The Governor has an interest in expanding state parks in CO, so this could be an option. Matt noted however that making it a state park could increase visitation and would require more staff. *(CCTU Board acknowledged this during the December meeting as the reason not to pursue this option)*
 - Mark offered to reach out to their Regional Mgr. (Mark Leslie) or Deputy Regional Mgr. (Scott Roush) to see if they would support the concept of a role for CPW at Cheesman, in collaboration with USFS and Denver Water. Also, to explore the idea of creating a state park for Cheesman.
 - Tyler will reach out to Lori Morgan (NE Volunteers Coordinator) to see if they have any programs that could be used here.
 - David Nickum noted that the next S. Platte Enhancement Board (SPEB) meeting will be on January 20th. He will add this topic to the agenda, depending on Mark's discussion with CPW Regional Mgt. If they are favorable, David will reach out to Denver Water and USFS to discuss this with them before the SPEB mtg.
- Sign Replacement: the existing Gill Tail/Cheesman Canyon map/sign was recently vandalized. **Scott Tampa.**
 - Contact to the USFS was initiated regarding artwork.
 - Reply received on 8 October that USFS was already in work on getting new sign reproduced. They requested CCTU's support in providing suggested updates to the sign (received from Pat Dorsey) new TU/CCTU logo's, pictures of people fishing in the canyon, pictures of fish caught (and released) in the canyon and some pictures of the canyons itself. This requested information was provided to the USFS and the new sign is being created by their Center of Design and Interpretation. A status meeting between Lisa Heagley (USFS) and the person leading the CDI was to take place on 10 November but was deferred due to conflicting meetings. On December 1, a first draft copy of the Cheesman Canyon sign was provided by the USFS for review and comments. A copy of this request was sent to Pat Dorsey for his review. Comments were provided back to the USFS and we are awaiting the next draft artwork. **No new progress has been seen from FS since the last report**

- Alma Foundation: George
 - George provided an updated status on the Riverwalk project which showed progress being accomplished by both the youth crew and the adult crew (CCTU funded). Items of note:
 - The Foundation does not expect to need any future funding from CCTU as they have received Grant funding from the Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) and the Park County Land & Water Trust Fund (LWTF)
 - A neighboring mining company had an accident which borders on the Riverwalk project. No information was available if this incident impacted the middle fork of the South Platte River. George is working with Jara Johnson to see if he could obtain further information regarding this incident
 - George will work with Jara Johnson for an update on 2021 project progress as part of one of the CCTU Fall membership meetings.
- CUSP: requested grant for blocking social trails and planting willows on main stem of S Platte: \$2000 approved: No new info from CUSP. George to reengage CUSP on status. George stated that CUSP had no big volunteer projects in 2020. They have been working from home since the pandemic hit in March and have been engaged in fire mitigation projects in Divide, Bailey, Fairplay, Woodland Park and at nearby Catamount Open Space Park
- Bear Creek Earth Day Project: \$1,600 was approved at the planning meeting: ON HOLD PENDING RESCHEDULING OF THE EVENT
- Clear Creek Cleanup: Jim Klug has reported that Courtney Riley Cooper Park has been reserved for September 18, 2021 and provided the necessary reservation paperwork in anticipation that this event will occur in 2021
- Forest Service: adopt a stream Jim R: Being pulled together now by USFS: pending
- Youth Education/Education: As this role did not have a Board member responsible, Ray Nagashima volunteered to take on this task. Congratulations to Ray for taking on this leadership role

Fishing trips: David

- Local Fishing Trips
 - Preparing the Lake Lehow dates for submission to Howard Horton of the CPW. This year Bruce Foss and I are going to try to add additional opportunities for club members and friends to fish local waters. In conjunction with our efforts, I am going to try to coordinate our efforts with Ron Taniwaki. Ron has interest in expanding our clubs fishing opportunities.
- Chapter Fishing Trips
 - Green River Trip (April)– Trip has been cancelled for 2021. Peter King stated that Rich Hus is willing to take over the leadership of this trip

Financials –Todd Johnston

- Presentation of Financial reports through 12/31/2020
 - Current cash is \$_33,966.57
 - Need to show that donation provided by Corrs is restricted funds for Conservation projects
 - Need to show who (by name) is donating to CCTU (quarterly basis as a minimum)
 - Volunteer hours are needed: Results need to be provided by the end of March 2021, so **Todd requires input no later than 26 February**

Fund Raising/Giving:

- **Annual Fundraiser 2021: Allen**
 - Next steps/Committee Roles and Responsibilities (Attached)

Partnerships with Industry: Peter King

MEMBERSHIP – RETENTION AND RECRUITMENT: Ray

- Rainbow Falls raffle prize for new meeting attendees: on hold for now
 - Need list of hosts: do we have this?
 - Link winners with specific hosts. 30 day limit to make contact and arrange date
 - Offer April – October
- Ray mentioned that all Military and First Responders get a free 1yr membership into Trout Unlimited. Ray stated that these individuals would be good people to support our Project Healing Waters outing each year.

Newsletter/Website/Communications:

- Brian will get Ron involved in Social Media – Facebook, YouTube, and will determine if Instagram should also be included

Other Business:

- Steve Bailey Memorial Research Fellowship donation (2021) – John Aaron suggested that the grant for next year have restrictions applied to it such that the student selected for this grant have his/her studies aligned with the mission of CCTU. Ideally, the restrictions would require the student to be studying fisheries biology or aquatic entomology with an emphasis on cold water fisheries in Colorado
 - George Franklin has initiated discussions with the Colorado State Education representative to advise them of our wishes and to start the discussion. Next meeting (Zoom) is scheduled for January 14

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm

Board of Directors – Roles and Responsibilities

Role	Responsibility
President Monthly BOD Meetings – Agenda, Run Mtg Annual Strategic Planning Meeting Liaison/Point of Contact for CTU Questions/Follow-ups Attend CTU Quarterly BOD Meetings	OPEN OPEN Brian Young OPEN OPEN
Vice President	Brian Young
Treasurer Bookkeeping – Checks, Monthly Bank Recs, etc. Quarterly Filings, Raffle Filings	Todd Johnston OPEN
Secretary	Scott Tampa
Zoom Meeting Manager – BOD Meetings, Chapter Meetings	George Franklin
Meeting Planning – Speakers	Brian Young George Franklin John Cristantiello John Aaron Scott Tampa Richard Pilatzke
Fundraising – Raffle Program	Allen Adinoff Richard Pilatzke George Franklin John Cristantiello Brian Young – online sales
Conservation Projects	George Franklin Peter King Scott Tampa Clear Creek – Klug/Carney
Membership	Ray Nagashima
Website – Ongoing Management	Mike Myers Brian Young
Newsletter	Brian Young
Social Media – Facebook Page, Youtube, Instagram?	Brian Young Ron Taniwaki
Monthly Meeting Raffle (when start again)	Jerry Shin Alex Spicher
Riverwatch – including Bug Sampling	Jim Rasmussen
Come Fish With Us Events	David Coward Bruce Foss Ron Taniwaki
Summer Picnic Planning – Reserve location, permit, food, entertainment	John Cristantiello John Aaron
Holiday Party Planning –Find location, Liquor, etc.	John Cristantiello
Project Healing Waters Crystal Lake Trip	Richard Pilatzke John Cristantiello
Ladies Fishing on the Fly	Cyndy Scholz Steve Scholz

Youth Program Coordinator Develop Youth programs Youth Camp Scholarships – identify 3-4 kids for scholarships annually	Ray Nagashima
Coordination of Steve Bailey Memorial Scholarship at CSU	George Franklin John Aaron Scott Tampa
Green River Chapter Trip	Rich Hus
Bighorn River Chapter Trip	Rich Hus
San Juan River Trip	Jerry Shin

2021 CCTU Raffle Fundraiser

Committee Members:

Allen Adinoff, Brian Young, Peter King, George Franklin, Ray Nagashima, John Cristantiello, Richard Pilatzke, Ken Ray

Roles and Responsibilities:

- Allen Adinoff:
 - Committee Chair
 - Organize and inventory prizes
 - Organize prize certificates
 - Keep tract of prize donors
 - Keep tract of ticket sales
- Brian Young:
 - Develop on-line ticket sales
- Peter King:
 - Make arrangements for Reynolds Landing, including reservation, permits, etc.
 - Raffle tickets printed via TU
- Ray Nagashima:
 - Send thank you notes to prize donors (? And ticket purchasers who did not win a prize)
- John Cristantiello:
 - Organize food/beverages
- All:
 - Solicit prizes from assigned prospective donors