

## CUTTHROAT CHAPTER TROUT UNLIMITED (CTU)

### Board of Directors Meeting Agenda - Tuesday, July 6, 7pm, via Zoom

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**Board of Directors present:** Scott Tampa (President); Brian Young (Vice President); Aaron Gardner (Treasurer); Allen Adinoff (Secretary); John Egan; George Franklin; Bob Getz; Buzz Soard; Richard Pilatzke

**Absent:** John Aaron; David Coward; Ray Nagashima; Ron Taniwaki; Barry Wiebe

**Emeritus Directors:** Cam Chandler; Ken James; Peter King; Jim Klug; Sharon Lance; Matt Moskal; Mike Myers;; and Jim Rasmussen

### Agenda:

Approval of the Minutes from the June BOD Meeting

### Calendar Review

- July 10 South Platte River Corridor Cleanup
- July 20 Chapter Mtg – Land Of Enchantment Guides; Fly Fishing Northern New Mexico. During the August BOD meeting, we will assess the possibility of live meetings (possibly combined with Zoom).
- August 3 BOD Mtg
- August 17 Annual Picnic Reynolds Landing: 5pm start
- August 20-22 BOD Retreat Ouray Ranch
- **September membership meeting: Cresthill is available and will be pursued. However, it may be more convenient to have speakers present via Zoom, avoiding travel.**
- It was decided to begin Board meetings at the Shack on a quarterly basis starting in October. Otherwise, we will continue with the Zoom meetings. **Allen has traded phone messages with the manager and will continue to pursue.**

### President's Report

- Financial Quarterly Reporting – Stephanie Young is preparing report. Consulting costs will be billed at \$25/hour. This effort will be added to the 2021/2022 budget. Brian Young is documenting all of the required steps/documents that need to be performed in order to file with the State of Colorado and the Colorado Trout Unlimited. Quarterly report should be reviewed with Aaron Gardner (Treasurer) to assure understanding of reporting requirements and performing this task in the future. **Status – Stephanie's report is pending. The final budget was sent to her and Brian.**
- CCTU Bank accounts **have been** moved to a new institution, Chase Bank (convenience in location for President and Treasurer). Need to assure all other donation accounts (CCTU PayPal, Amazon Smile, King Soopers, and Square Cards) point to these new account numbers. **Old accounts have been closed. Allen was able to reach King Soopers Community Rewards Program personnel and the account has now been reassigned to Scott; Brian will work on all others. Each Square Card holder (Allen, George & Ray) will modify their own accounts. Allen and George has migrated their cards to Chase. Brian suggested a trial (small) transaction. Important that the cards be linked to the Business account, not the Raffle account.**
- **Conservation Leadership Announcement – George will be stepping down from the CCTU Board at the end of December 2021. Many tasks need to be assumed, and George will mentor. Allen offered to coordinate the Steve Bailey memorial fund with CSU. Many thanks to George for his 6 years of outstanding leadership and contributions!**

### Membership Meetings

- Zoom vs in-person meetings – Established we will continue this through July, potentially longer – will reevaluate at August BOD **See above**

## Conservation Programs

- Cheesman Canyon Overuse
  - Cheesman Canyon/South Platte Corridor Clean-up Project – John Egan – We have the go ahead for this project. Collection bags have been set up. John has arranged a “grab and go” lunch, and will explore the Deckers restaurant. Many other important details have been worked out (e.g. access land to pick up trash). The Counties are ready to go. We will work about a mile of river.

John will forward the final information to Brian for publications in the Newsletter and monthly meeting announcements.

Date of July 10 was selected as it was the first weekend following the Fourth of July Holiday

- Open Items
  - Number of volunteers: 18 signed up
  - Safety Vests – Closed – Scott purchased and is donating 40 vests to the Chapter
  - Food – Vendor selected, guesstimate on how many lunches to purchase
  - Waivers – Participants will need to sign Jefferson County, and two CCTU waivers
- As this event will take place on a Saturday, it is strongly suggested to carpool to the area provided COVID social distancing/mask wearing/vaccinations are being implemented.
- Mineral Park Project – Status? – Richard
  1. CCTU requested to write article for High Country Angler (Summer Edition) on CCTU’s efforts on the Hidden Treasure mine efforts. Latest issue of High Country Angler has an article written by Jim Klug on the efforts performed by CCTU. Congratulations to Jim for taking on this effort and writing a great article!!!
  2. Richard noted questions he has about the access to heavy equipment at altitude needed to complete the work. Completion is scheduled for July. August 14 has been set up for a volunteer activity day
- Clear Creek Cleanup – Jim Klug - Confirmed that event will take place on Saturday, September 18, 2021 with support from West Denver Chapter and Cherry Creek Anglers. Pavilion at Courtney-Ryley-Cooper Park has been reserved for the event. The project has hit a roadblock due to City waiver. Language in the waiver was not acceptable by TU attorneys. CCTU advised city of Idaho Springs that we would not be able to sign the waiver and therefore the event will not be performed unless the waiver language is changed. Jim Klug was not in attendance. Nonetheless, if a suitable waiver cannot be negotiated by August 25, we will not participate in the project. What is status of volunteers: not discussed as Klug was not in attendance.
- Topics regarding Cheesman
  1. The two CCTU signs will require payment by late June: 50% of the total payment (i.e. \$1,250) is due. A total of 10 signs will be produced, currently in the design process via CUSP. For simplicity, all the signs will be identical, thus CCTU’s name and logo will appear on all ten signs. To be installed in August 2022.
    - CUSP’s grant proposal to SPEB was accepted.
  2. Upper Gill Trail: funding payment of \$2,500 is due late July. There may be volunteer opportunities from Chapter members. Date for work is pending; maybe August. Funds have been allocated for SPEB and Denver Water.
  3. Lower Gill Trail: CUSP will also be doing work on the Upper Gill Trail near the river later this year. This may also be another volunteer opportunity for our Chapter: Mike Painter (USFS) is discussing redesigning the entire lower trail; trying to figure out an overall plan. CUSP won’t help until USFS steps in. It was reported that USFS has no plans to pursue or support this endeavor.
  4. CTU request for SPEB Grant: Scott reported that the USFS sees a great need for restoration work along the Gill Trail but that they are not sure if that will entail fixing the existing trail or possibly moving the trail closer to the river. They are meeting in May to discuss; waiting to hear back from them. This message was provided to D. Nickum who acknowledged that requesting SPEB funding at this time would not be prudent. Scott will contact Mikele Painter (USFS) to see if they have an update on the Gill Trail. USFS has no plan in place to make any changes or improvements to the lower Gill Trail, and no desire to even begin forming a plan at this time.

5. CCTU received “final” artwork for new Gill Trail (Cheesman Canyon) sign from USFS. This was also reviewed with Pat Dorsey. Comments provided back for incorporation into sign. No date provided as to when sign will be installed, but we expect to have a final project installation “soon”. Scott: is this still an active issue?

**Financials** – Brian provided a summary update of the Chapter financials: our **current balance is \$38,307**. Once Stephanie has completed her effort, the final report will be sent out. New Scott is to provide Brian the Chase account login credentials so Stephanie can complete the Treasurers Report (completed).

Expense Budget from February Planning Meeting – Approved list

- Clear Creek Clean-up \$800 approved on hold (see above)
- CUSP \$2500 (two signs) approved  
\$2500 (Upper Gill Trail) approved
- Project Healing Waters \$100 approved Right now, trips have been limited to very small groups. There is no need for funding for FY 2021
- Come Fish with Us \$200 approved how does BBQ change this budget?
- August Picnic \$700 approved see below
- Holiday Party \$? Potentially \$1200 (see below)
- Others \$?

### Fundraising

- Determine which donations will be used at Holiday Party. Determine if additional will be required.
- Fundraising committee to notify donors of decision not to conduct event this year – Thank you notifications. Allen will continue to organize the donation of prizes with the committee, pending a sight for the Holiday Party is established.

### Membership (Retention & Recruitment) – Ray update

- Virtual Fly-Tying sessions prior to Membership meetings or at other designated times?
- September membership meeting plan will have member guests in attendance at Cresthill, a virtual presenter via Zoom, and a Zoom meeting space for those members not wanting to attend in person.

### Communications

- CCTU Instagram account status –Aaron – Instagram page is up and running. Send Aaron pictures that you would like posted
- CCTU Facebook ideas – Ron T Status of changes
- Topics desired for July newsletter

### Youth Programs

- The City of Highlands Ranch is holding a (non-fly fishing) Intro to fishing class (June 2 ) and a Fishing Derby (June 5). They are looking for volunteers to help out with the event(s). For information, see <https://www.highlandsranch.org/recreation/nature-adventures>  
Please contact Amber Garrett if interested ([AGarrett@highlandsranch.org](mailto:AGarrett@highlandsranch.org) ; Direct #: 720-240-5934 Office#: 303-791-2710) Ray is teaching the course. Ray – Outbrief
- Received email from Barbara Luneau (CTU River Conservation and Fly-Fishing Camp Director) stating that CCTU had a Counselor (David Papineau) and 5 campers (Carson Weisner, Wyatt Ridgeway, Josh Wilken, Chris Burger and Grant Compton) participating with the CTU River Conservation and Fly Fishing Camp this Summer. Barbara stated that each of these individuals distinguished themselves as aspiring river stewards and asked that we welcome them into our chapter and get them engaged in conservation projects and programs.

### Other Chapter Business

- Operating volunteer events in the present Covid environment – ideas As a bare minimum, the events must follow the guidelines of the County that the event is occurring at. As a Chapter, we suggested that masks should be worn any time that a 6 foot social distance could not be maintained. When outdoors, if a distance greater than 6 feet can be maintained, then the participants may remove their face coverings as long as it is not in violation of the County guidelines. A new Covid waiver form has been created by TU Inc. Each gathering needs to have this form signed by the participants of the event. **Changes based on latest event?**
- Local Fishing Trips update – David – **Status**
  - **Lake Lehow**
    - Ron Taniwaki asked if there were funds in the budget to host BBQ events at Lake Lehow. The Board asked Ron to work with David to see how many BBQ's they would propose to do and to make sure that it did not distract from the main object of the outings (teaching people how to fly fish). They are to bring their proposal back to the Board for approval.
    - See February 6<sup>th</sup> email for requested Lake Lehow dates plus other outing locations – **Updates?**
  - **San Juan Fishing Trip (October) – Jerry Shin**
    - **Following the Board meeting, Brian sent the following email to Scott and Allen:**
  - Talked to Jerry Shin and he is planning on moving forward with the San Juan trip Oct 23-28, a day longer than normal. He is limiting it to 12 folks and giving first shot to those folks that were signed up for last year, and already has 12 people interested. He will form a wait list that he will turn to if he gets any cancellations from the 12 initial folks. The approximate lodging cost is \$180, not including licenses, food, and other costs. I asked Jerry if he wanted me to put it in the newsletter and he thought that was a good idea...it will go in there shortly.
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- August Picnic – Venue permitting in process for August 17, 2021 Peter/Barry
  - **Peter King has secured the permit from South Suburban Parks and Rec for the use of Reynold's Landing for August 17 at a cost of \$73.00 (paid). Peter is currently pursuing permit from the City of Littleton, including a liquor license application, and food truck.**
  - **Barry Wiebe graciously offered to organize the event. Barry has lined up the food truck. Peter Stitcher is also lined up. Peter will be given a table to display his wares for sale at the event,**
- BOD Retreat
  - Ouray Ranch booked for August 20-22.
  - **Fishing Beats:**
    - **There are slots for 6 fishers on Friday at Ouray (3 in am; 3 in pm)**
    - **Jim Klug has made reservations from the Granby Recreation Department for Beats 2 and 3 (2 anglers each) for Saturday August 21 from 6am to 12noon. Cost is \$25/angler**
    - **Klug is setting up opportunities with Kirk Klanke**
  - **Food:**
    - **Meals need to be organized**
    - **Will invite Kirk Klanke and Scott Linn (along with SO's) for dinner Saturday**
  - **Send Scott Tampa names/qty of individuals attending and if staying at lodge (8 rooms available/12 beds) or elsewhere **Seven deposits have now been received – leaves one opening based upon single occupancy****
  - **Deposits (\$100) will be required for those staying at lodge. Individuals reserving their spots (with deposit paid) get priorities on fishing beats, so do not delay.**
- Holiday Party – Date: **21 December. Allen/Ray**
  - **Allen toured the River Walk facility and provided a report to the Board:**
    - **Cost is \$1,200 which will accommodate at least 75 people**
    - **Bar tender would need to be hired**
    - **A kitchen is available for prepared food**
    - **We would probably need to charge an admission fee to help cover costs.**
    - **A \$500 deposit is required to secure the date. Following the meeting, Allen contacted the manager: a full refund of the deposit is available up to 60 days prior to the event.**
  - **John Eagan will explore the Breckinridge Brewery**

- Scott will solicit someone to head up the project
- BOD decision to proceed: pending review of Breck Brewery