

## November's Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Nov. 5, 2025

Those **in attendance** included our president, John Pogue, our treasurer Tim Bolling, our secretary Susan Labiste, our conservation chair, Rick Graw, our auction chair Robbi Debois, our program chair Mark Dewey and BOD members David Haight and Bill Burns. Also in attendance were our membership chair, Jim Ulm, our webmaster Steve Ostrander and a new board member Robert Eury. Steve Ostrander brought with him Roxanne Theodoroff, a website professional who is assisting with our website update.

Jerry Haynes began the meeting in John Pogue's absence at 6:00 PM. The **treasures report and the secretary's minutes** had already been reviewed by email and were quickly approved.

Jim Ulm's **membership report** noted dues for 28% of our membership remain unpaid. They will be dropped from the roles if they don't renew. Members can renew online.

Mark reported on **dinner meeting programs**. He has Chris Trial lined up for our next dinner meeting for a program on Diamond Lake. In December Shari Anderson will present on the Klamath River dam removal and restoration efforts. The cost of big-name speakers was discussed, as their speakers-fee, travel and lodging fees can add up. It was agreed that this could be brought to the board to be decided on an individual basis.

Robbi Debois is ramping up the **2026 auction** plans with the first meeting set for Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>. They will be pursuing corporate sponsorship. We still need more volunteers.

Rick Graw spoke on **conservation** efforts. He and Kirk Kowalke have been presenting "Fish Eggs to Fry". They've delivered spring chinook eggs to 67 local participating classrooms. Way to go Rick and Kirk! The erosional issues on the Rogue near Discovery Park are getting some attention as the Freshwater Trust met with Regional Governors Solutions Group to work on next steps. The new Rogue River Chapter of Trout Unlimited had their first meeting and will be a big player in conservation efforts. Stay tuned: This December there may be volunteer restoration opportunities with willow staking.

**New business** began with the introduction of Robert Eury who expresses an interest in joining the board and in taking on the webmaster roll when Steve Ostrander steps down. Steve offered to help him get started. There is a lot to be grateful for with these two.

An effort will be made to invite our fly-tiers to tie at the dinner meetings and we'll be looking to drum up more articles for the newsletter, perhaps highlighting a club member every month. Kirk will no longer conduct the raffle at dinner meetings. Thank you Kirk for all the work you've done. Board members will rotate raffle responsibilities to pick up the slack.

Although outings were poorly attended in the past, we plan to revive them with multi-day trips which are better attended and provide a chance to socialize and build community. We all like to hear about where and what works, and to share fish-stories.

We wrapped it up at 7:20 PM with no further business.