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Minutes from 9-7-2004

Meeting called to order 5:37 pm

President Andy Dux welcomed everyone back

Meeting times will be 5:30 pm to around 7:00 pm once to twice a month on Tuesdays in Lewis Hall room 304

He outlined the different activities that our organization will be involved in

- field activities
- community outreach
- guest speakers
- fund raising
- attending AFS meetings, national, state, etc...
- social activities

Mailing list was circulated for people to sign their address and email

PLEASE BRING \$5.00 FOR MEMBERSHIP DUES TO NEXT MEETING

FIELD ACTIVITIES

Upcoming field activities for this fall

- A restoration project is under way at Soda Butte Creek. Three members are participating in removing

non-native brook trout by electrofishing and pesticides from September 8-10.

- The lake trout are starting to spawn in Yellowstone Lake and the Aquatic Resource Center has agreed to let us help out for possibly one to two days setting and pulling gill nets to capture large lake trout. This activity will take place in October.
- Brown trout redd counts at Thompson spring creek. This activity will take place this fall, possibly October.

Anyone with ideas for field activities please mention them at the next meeting.

FUND RAISING

\$1,000 was donated to our chapter from the MT parent AFS chapter, but we need more.

Our first fund raising opportunity will be at the Wild Trout Symposium on September 20-22 at Old Faithful. Around 250 people will be attending this meeting from around the country, so it's a great chance to raise some cash. We decided on holding an auction and selling some items.

Items to be auctioned

- Life size Yellowstone cutthroat trout wood carving from Big Sky Carvers, who agreed to sell it to us at half price. This will be our big ticket item.
- Coupon for 50% off a Winston fly rod
- Signed copy of Robert Behnke's book - Trout and Salmon of North America
- We are also going to line up some small ticket items from fly shops and outdoor stores in the area.
- **Also we would like to put together a fly box of flies tied by our members. If you have any time to tie up a couple flies and drop them off at Room 30 or 27 of AJMJ that would be great.**

Items for sale, not to be up for auction at the symposium

- Signed copies of Robert Behnke's book - Trout and Salmon of North America
- Fish of Montana books

Future fund raising ideas

- T-shirts representing our chapter, we first need a design for the back of the shirt, if you have any creative ideas bring them to the next meeting.
- Calendars with photos from biologists around the state

Meeting called to an end 6:24 pm