

Minutes for Conference Call Meeting of Tennessee Council of Trout Unlimited
September 20, 2010 8 pm EDT

This was a called meeting to receive a report from the nominating committee by chair Rick Murphree, and to elect TCTU officers for the 2010-2012 fiscal years. Also, on the agenda was a discussion of the availability of inexpensive liability insurance for Councils and Chapters.

The conference was conducted via Redi Talk, and participants were previously provided log in information.

Participating:

George Lane, outgoing TCTU chair, GSM Chapter
Don Denney, outgoing TCTU Secretary, Hiwassee Chapter
George Lane was authorized to vote Little River Chapter's proxy by Rufus King
John Jordan, Cumberland Chapter Jay Ebbert, Cherokee Chapter
Steve Brown, Clinch River Chapter John Torchick, Hiwassee Chapter
Rick Murphree GSM Chapter Jack Betchick, Delta Chapter
Appalachian Chapter, not represented Overmountain Chapter, not represented

The meeting was opened by George Lane and a quorum was declared.

- 1- Steve Brown discussed the availability of liability insurance, giving new information about the option of getting \$50k coverage for \$150/yr as opposed to \$25k for \$110/yr. Rapid notification was requested if anyone wanted the \$50k option. The Council opted for \$50k by common consent.
- 2- Rick Murphree presented the following slate of TCTU 2010-2011 officer candidates:
Council Chair John Torchick--Hiwassee Chapter Vice Chair Rufus King--Little River Chapter
Secretary Roger Hamiter--Cumberland Chapter Treasurer George Lane--GSM Chapter
National Leadership Council Rep--Dr. Dick Davis--Cumberland Chapter
No further nominations were made, and the recommended slate was elected.
- 3- George Lane advised that Friday he would serve as a mediator between NC Forest Service and the 4 wheelers regarding the closing of the Tellico OHV area. They had dropped their lawsuit threat and opted for mediation.
- 4- George also advised that he was visiting Congress on the 29th on behalf of the National Wildlife Federation with regard to clean water legislation.
- 5- Jack Betchick requested that he be notified within 3 or 4 weeks regarding mentors and campers for the TCTU 2011 Summer Trout Camp at Tremont.
- 6- Rick Murphree advised that the Board of Trustees had approved holding their 2011 meeting in Townsend.
- 7- Steve Brown discussed TCTU sponsorship of the new Cherokee National Forest Southern Region Brook Trout Restoration Project initiated by Jim Herrig.
- 8- John Torchick suggested that TCTU sponsor the 2012 TU Annual Meeting. The 2011 annual Meeting is in Oregon.
- 8- John Torchick will consider scheduling a fall TCTU teleconference meeting.
- 9- The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Don Denney, outgoing TCTU Secretary, 11-01-2010