**Massachusetts Bass Federation**

**February 2016 Directors Meeting**

Meeting called to order at 7:45 PM by President Joe McKinnon

**Attendance**: Missing were: Assabet, Bass Boy’s, Forge Pond, Mystic Valley, Green Water, and Yankee.

**Treasures Report:** Pete read his report and listed all outstanding bills. Motion was made by All State, seconded by Tri-Valley to pay all bills, and accept Pete’s report. Motion passed

**Awards Banquet:** Tickets for the banquet are on sale now. You can get them at the March meeting or by calling Joe McKinnon at 781-330-1317 and reserving tickets. Tickets are $25.00 per person. The banquet will be held at the Maynard Elks on Saturday April 2nd 5:30 to 10:00 PM.

**Youth Committee:** Bob reported that a Youth day was a great success. Thanks go out to Bruce Burns, Bill Sullivan and Randy Almeida for the seminars they each ran. Clubs need to start signing up to fulfill the Youth Tournament mandate in our by-laws. Sites and dates are below. Contact Bob to sign-up.

May 7th Wallum Pond

June 11th South Watuppa

June 25th Mashpee/Wakeby

**Scholarship Report:** All 2015 Scholarship winners were sent their scholarships money from the 2015 scholarship awards. The 2016 scholarship applications have started to arrive. You can get an application on the [Mass Bass website](http://www.massbass.com).

**Conservation Report:** DirectorSeth McNary is going to a conservation meeting put on by the Merrimac River Watershed Council. He hopes to have more information on how we as an organization can get involved at the next meeting.

**Tournament Report:** The Tournament Trail for 2016 is set. The only issue is rescheduling of the TOC in October on Big Squam.

May 15th Long Pond Lakeville

June 19th Connecticut River Oxbow

July 17th Webster Lake Webster MA

August 28th Lake Winnipesaukee

**State Team:** The 2016 State Team Opens will be held on the following dates. Permits are in hand.

April 30th at Webster Lake in MA

May 7th, at Lake Wequaquet

June 4th Lake Cochituate

July 9th Lake Winnipesaukee

**State Championship:** Due to permit issues in Vermont the State Championship on Saturday August 20th will be held out of Mallets Bay, Colchester Ramp. Sunday August 21st will be held at Apple Tree. Joe is working on a place for the banquet/meeting for Friday night.

**National Semi-Final:** Mass Bass is the host for this year’s National Semi-Final between Mass Bass and Vermont Federation. It will be held October 1st and 2nd 2016 out of the Ticonderoga New York ramp. Mass Bass has already booked 6 rooms a Circle Court Motel in Ticonderoga for the team that qualifies in August.

**Old Business:** Dave McNary asked to get a written report from Peter on the 2015 State Championship at Great Sacandaga.

**New Business:**  Peter deMoya asked that the club try to get their dues in ASAP. Some members tend to delay paying their dues till April and Peter needs to firm up his 2016 budget ASAP.

The Directors voted on benefit events we will be supporting in 2016.

The Karl Kaprelian Scholarship Boston Bass

Martin’s Pond Association Youth Day Wildside Bass

Ray Reardon Tournament Scholarship Northeast Bass

New England PVA

Meeting Reminders for next Month: Meeting will be held on March 15th. Don’t forget to get your dues in for 2016.

**Banquet Tickets are on sale! Call Joe to reserve your tickets!**

**Joe 781-330-1317**

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM