

Massachusetts Bass Federation Directors Meeting January 16, 2018

Meeting called to order at: 7:36 pm

Officers in Attendance:

- President, Youth Director, Treasurer, Environmental Director

Attendance:

- A-1, All State, Blackstone Valley, Green Water, Forge Pond, Good Spirits, North East, South Shore, Tri-Valley, Wildside, Yankee, Extreme

Secretary Report:

- November minutes presented by President
 - Motion to accept minutes made by Green Water, seconded by All-State
 - Motion accepted as printed

Treasurer Report:

- Presented by Treasurer Bob Rivet
- Bob reviewed the December bank statement
- Bob reported the clubs that have paid TBF dues:
 - Yankee, Good spirit, Blackstone Valley, Tri-Valley, Wildside, All State, Northeast, South Shore, Forge Pond, Bass Tactics, Bass Addicts, Boston
- Bob reported the clubs that have paid Federation dues:
 - Yankee, Good spirit, Blackstone Valley, Northeast, Wildside, South Shore, All State, Forge Pond, Bass Addicts, Bass Tactics, Green Water, Boston

Motion to accept by Tri-Valley, seconded by Green Water

- Motion passed unanimously

Committee Reports:

- The first State Championship Committee meeting was held at 6:30 on January 16th, 2018.
- The committee discussed ways to increase attendance to the State Championship Fishoffs
- The State Championship will now have payouts. The payout matrix is TBD at this time, but will be finalized and presented soon. There will be BOTH a Boater and Non-Boated pool, each with separate payout structures.
- The next State Fishoff Committee report is scheduled for February 20th at 6:30pm

Awards Banquet Report:

- The awards banquet is scheduled for Saturday, March 24th from 5:30-10:00. More details will follow.

Youth Report:

- Presented by Youth Director Seth McNary
- 14 Youth/High School anglers have completed their registration for 2018 trail
- The Youth Meet and Greet is scheduled for Sunday, January 28th from 10am-12pm. Doug Cameron and Bruce Burns will be guest speakers for this event. Thank you for donating your time and knowledge to promote and educate our youth anglers.
- Seth stated that he is still looking for boaters/boats for the youth tourneys
- Seth also requested that if anyone has any extra tackle he will be accepting them to provide these to the kids as various prizes.
- Jarrod Spice made a large tackle donation at the meeting. Thank you Jarrod for your donation to the youth

Scholarship Report:

- No Report

Conservation Report:

- Presented by Conservation Director Tim Germain
- Tim reported that any lead under 1 ounce is illegal in Massachusetts and New Hampshire
- Tim reported that there are Lead Disposal depositories available at the Quabbin Reservoir, Wachusett Reservoir and the Ware River in Massachusetts.
- New Hampshire Fish and Game has a depository available at Lees Mills launch on Lake Winnepesaukee

Tournament Report:

- Presented by Youth Director Seth McNary
- There was new news to report
- The 2018 Trail Flyer is on the Mass Bass website
- Massachusetts Permits are in hand, waiting on NH Fish and Game

Old Business:

- Joe McKinnon handed out flyers that he made to pass out at the Boxborough and Springfield shows. The flyers provide information on youth, team trail, and federation club information.
- The State Fishoffs will now be a paid event.

- The federation will not pay for entry fees and hotels for top anglers who advance to National Semi-Finals.
- The top 3 or 5 will receive a plaque.
- The boater will be in complete control during the State Fishoffs in both boat operation and fishing location
- The non-boater will no longer be required to pay \$80 to the boater, as they will not have a decision on fishing location during this event
- After the payout, there will be a drawing for prizes for all anglers who do not receive a payout
- High School anglers who choose to fish will need to be registered to a club to compete at the State Fishoffs

New Business:

- Joe McKinnon discussed TBF's newest sponsor, T-H Marine
 - To take advantage of the discounts, all orders must be processed by Joe McKinnon. Please see Joe to place your order with T-H Marine Supply.
- Joe is seeking Federation sponsors. If you or anyone you know is interested in sponsoring the Federation, please reach out to Joe.

Raffle Results:

- Raffle total was \$70
- Won by Tim Germain - \$35

Meeting Reminders for Next Month:

- **Next meeting 2/20/2018 @ 7:30pm**
- **There will be a State Fish-off Committee Meeting prior to the Fed meeting @ 6:30pm. If you are part of this committee, please arrive for the 6:30 meeting.**

Motion to adjourn made by Extreme, seconded by A-1

Meeting adjourned at: 8:45 pm

Minutes taken on 1/16/18 and submitted on 2/15/18 by Seth McNary, Youth Director