

Massachusetts Bass Federation Directors Meeting

March 20, 2018

Meeting called to order at: 7:48 pm

Officers in Attendance:

- President, Treasurer, Environmental Director, Secretary
- Missing – Vice President, Youth Director

Attendance:

- A-1 Bassmasters
- All State Bass
- Boston Bass
- Forge Pond Bassmasters
- Good Spirits Bassmasters
- Green Water Wizards
- North East Bass Anglers
- South Shore Bassmasters
- Tri-Valley Bassmasters
- Wildside Bass Anglers

Secretary Report:

- Due to absences & vacations, minutes were not submitted. Notes from Directors that were present were reviewed.

Treasurer Report:

- Presented by Treasurer Bob Rivet
- Bob reviewed the February bank statement
- The two High School Scholarship checks were the only checks written for that period
- The paperwork for the taxes has been turned over to the accountant
 - Motion to accept by North East, seconded by Green Water
 - Motion passed unanimously

Committee Reports:

- N/A

Awards Banquet Report:

- Joe McKinnon reviewed the menu as well as a bunch of the raffle prizes. Tickets are still available and can be purchased at the door. The price of the tickets are \$30 each. Please come out, have some good food & support our Federation!
- Raffle ticket pricing will be:
 - 1 for \$10
 - 3 for \$25
 - 20 for \$100
 - 45 for \$200

Youth Report:

- Joe McKinnon stated that he received a check from Reynolds Marine for \$400 for the Youth Sponsorship

- Also, if you have not signed up to be a boater, please contact Seth McNary and do so

Scholarship Report:

- N/A

Conservation Report:

- Presented by Conservation Director Tim Germain
- Tim stated that there are talks of Lake Wequaquet not allowing anglers to park their vehicles along the road – police will ticket them
 - Time is looking into it to see if this is valid or just rumors

Tournament Report:

- N/A

Old Business:

- Joe McKinnon stated that TH Marine has sponsored Mass Bass with a 40% discount off of their products. Take a look at their website and let Joe know what you are looking for and he will place an order. Joe will be periodically placing orders throughout the year and will consolidate each individual order into larger group orders
- BASS is making the move to enforce that all cull tags used in their tournaments be non-piercing. Joe McKinnon received a call from an angler asking if FLW was going to do the same. Joe talked to Robert and he said at this time TBF & FLW are not switching over to that requirement because there is no scientific data showing that the holes in the fish is coming from cull tags and not from crawfish claws or fish spines (or that the lips do not heal). TBF & FLW have talked to biologists and they have discussed it internally and decided that at this time they are not enforcing this rule.
- Youth T-shirt fundraiser
 - There is a 3 day turnover for orders
 - We have to buy in gross quantities – the more we buy the cheaper the cost
 - There will be one order placed in the next two weeks so Directors need to gather your orders of sizes & quantities and email Joe asap
 - They only come in Ash / gray color as shown in the picture
 - Cost is \$15 per shirt
 - See below for sample of what shirt will look like
 - Sizes will be M, L, XL, 2X, 3X, 4X. Only 1 dozen each of 3x and 4x will be ordered

Left Chest
Std Screen Print
Width 4.00"
Height 2.29"

- Tidy White
- PMS 185
- PMS 351
- PMS 286
- PMS 356
- PMS 357
- Black
- Tidy White



Full Back
Std Screen Print
Width 12.00"
Height 3.60"

- Tidy White
- Tidy White
- Tidy White

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New Business:

- Bob Rivet has received the receipts for National Championship Practice with totaled \$1,169.61. Bob has proposed paying these receipts.
 - Motion to have Bob pay these made by Forge Pond, seconded by Wildside
 - Motion passed unanimously

- Bob Rivet brought up for discussion Bylaw Article 4, Section 1, Item C: An Office cannot miss three meetings in a row within a year.
 - Bob suggested that this bylaw be suspended temporarily because Officers that travel to warmer climates for the winter should be an exception to this rule and that suspending the Bylaw temporarily was the best way to handle it. After brief discussion, it was agreed that this was the best way to solve this.
 - Motion made by All State, seconded by Green Water
 - Motion passed unanimously

- A question was brought up whether Mass Bass would continue their support for the Ray Reardon Tournament. Joe McKinnon stated that we would definitely continue the support and at the next meeting we will address the support for this, the scholarships & the youth events.

Raffle Results:

- N/A

Meeting Reminders for Next Month:

- **Next meeting 4/17/2018 @ 7:30pm**
- **Please get your Youth Fundraiser T-shirt orders to Joe in the next week**
- **Discussions on Mass Bass support for Ray Reardon, Scholarships & Youth program**

Motion to adjourn made by Boston Bass, seconded by A-1 Bassmasters

Meeting adjourned at: 8:39 pm

Minutes taken on 11/20/18 and submitted on 11/22/18 by Erik Swanson, Secretary