

Massachusetts Bass Federation Directors Meeting

April 17, 2018

Meeting called to order at: 7:45 pm

Officers in Attendance:

- Present: President, Vice President, Youth Director, Treasurer, Secretary, Environmental Director
- Missing:

Attendance:

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

Secretary Report:

- Presented by Secretary Erik Swanson
- March minutes presented
 - Motion to accept minutes made by Green Water, seconded by Wildside
 - Motion passed unanimously

Treasurer Report:

- Presented by Treasurer Bob Rivet
- Bob reviewed the March bank statement
- The Berkshire bank account is being closed so everything is being moved to Citizens
- Bob collected all outstanding bills including the banquet expenses
 - Motion to pay all banquet expenses made by Tri-Valley, seconded by Forge Pond
 - Motion passed unanimously
- Motion to accept the treasurers report made by Bass Addicts, seconded by Bass Tactics
 - Motion passed unanimously

Committee Reports:

- N/A

Awards Banquet Report:

- Presented by Joe McKinnon
- Joe reviewed the expenses of the banquet
 - Total cost for the banquet was \$9,485
 - Joe estimates that the Federation will make about \$4,000
- Joe reviewed the highlights of the banquet
 - Motion to accept the banquet report made by Good Spirit, seconded by Tri-Valley
 - Motion passed unanimously
- A big THANK YOU to Joe (and his helpers) for all of their hard work that was put into making the night happen

Youth Report:

- Presented by Youth Director Seth McNary
- There are 39 youth anglers registered to date
 - With this many anglers 21 boats will be needed. If you are available to be a captain, please contact Seth McNary
- Boats are still needed for the first tournament at South Watuppa on Saturday, May 12th

Scholarship Report:

- Presented by Scholarship Director Dave McNary
- There is only one applicant so far
- The application period is still open. Contact Dave for more information

Conservation Report:

- Presented by Conservation Director Tim Germain
- Congamond South ramp will be closed for renovations from Feb 21st – June 1st
- Also, Lake Cochituate will be closing for ramp renovations from September 1st – March of 2019

Tournament Report:

- Presented by Tournament Director Dave McNary
- Dave re-reviewed the dates of the trail
- There will be a one-week off limits period on Newfound Lake prior to the TOC tournament

Old Business:

- Presented by Joe McKinnon

- Joe is still taking orders for the fundraising T-shirts for the youth program
- Joe placed another order to THMarine and will place more throughout the summer. If you are interested in placing an order, contact Joe.

New Business:

- Presented by Joe McKinnon
- Ed Gauthier is back from Nationals at Bull Shoals
 - Ed said he had a blast. Stated that the 15" minimum was hard to meet. He would do it again and recommend anyone to do it if you have the chance.
- Joe reviewed the annual donations for charities. The list so far consists of:
 - Ray Reardon
 - Wildside youth benefit
 - The Kaprelian tourney is undecided if it will happen again. If they don't have the tourney then the Federation will most likely still donate to the fund itself
 - Motion to accept the annual donations as presented made by Tri-Valley, seconded by North East
 - Motion passed unanimously
- Joe proposed taking \$2,000 and putting it towards the State Fish-offs to increase the number of payout places
 - Joe will form a committee to discuss this further
 - If you would like to be a part of that committee, contact Joe
- If you are interested in a Minn Kota package contact Joe
- Pioneer Valley Bass is a new club to the Federation

Raffle Results:

- Tim Germain was the winner - \$40

Meeting Reminders for Next Month:

- **Next meeting 5/15/2018 @ 7:30pm**
- **Nominations for next year's State Championship site**

Motion to adjourn made by Boston Bass, seconded by Green Water

Meeting adjourned at: 8:33 pm

Minutes taken on 4/17/18 and submitted on 5/4/18 by Erik Swanson, Secretary