

# Massachusetts Bass Federation Directors Meeting

## June 19, 2018

Meeting called to order at: 7:43 pm

### **Officers in Attendance:**

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

### **Attendance:**

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

### **Secretary Report:**

- Presented by Secretary Erik Swanson
- May Minutes presented
  - Motion to accept minutes made by Bass Addicts, seconded by Wildside
    - Motion passed unanimously

### **Treasurer Report:**

- Presented by Treasurer Bob Rivet
- Bob reviewed the May bank statement
- The last check from the Berkshire Account came through so Bob transferred the remainder of the money into the Citizens account
- Bob requested that anyone with bills to submit them to him asap for reimbursement
  - Mot to pay bills submitted & accept the Treasurer's report made by Tri Valley, seconded by Green Water
    - Motion passed unanimously

### **Committee Reports:**

- N/A

### **Awards Banquet Report:**

- N/A

### **Youth Report:**

- Presented by Youth Director Seth McNary
- The second Youth tournament took place on Lake Quinsigamond
  - There were 38 anglers that participated

- The fishing was tough, no big fish, the tournament went smooth with no issues
- In the Junior division:
  1. Jack Houghton
  2. Nicholas Frumkin
  3. Gavin Haynes
- High School division:
  1. Nate Lochom
  2. Steve Stroz
  3. Mark danero
- Thanks to the boat captains for donating their time
- JJ did great with a raffle for boxes of tackle. The kids walked away with their arms full of tackle and big smiles on their faces
- There was a tie in the Junior division so rather than turning an angler away Seth has decided to bring 6 anglers from each division instead of the usual 5 anglers
- Seth has 6 Boats confirmed for the TOC on 6/23 located on the Charles River – Waltham
  - Thank you to all of those who have committed to be a captain
- Seth is working on a point structure so that every angler has a chance of winning the Angler of The Year if they perform well and the leaders going into the TOC do not do well

### **Scholarship Report:**

- Presented by Scholarship Director Dave McNary
- Application period is now closed
  - There were two applicants
    - Kady Germain
    - Cory smith
      - Last year we had two applicants as well and we ended up giving \$1,000 to each applicant
      - Dave proposed doing the same this year
        - A motion to pay a \$1,000 scholarship to each of the applicants was made by Tri Valley, seconded by All State
          - Motion passed unanimously

### **Conservation Report:**

- Presented by Conservation Director Tim Germain
- Tim stated that Kathy Nelson from the Nashua River Watershed Association – stated that they are going to begin a spray program to control the Water Chestnuts in the Nashua River in Groton. The spraying will take place in July & August. They will be performing three spray applications two weeks apart

- They are looking for volunteers to help pull the Chestnuts out as well. Anyone interested in helping out please contact Tim for more information.
- Jamie Futterman from the Association has asked Tim if he would submit a report stating how the Mass Bass Federation supports the Associations efforts to clean up the river which Tim is in the process of doing

### **Tournament Report:**

- Presented by Tournament Director Dave McNary
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> Team Trail took place on 6/17 on Whitehall Reservoir
  - There were 15 boats that fished
  - It was a tough day, glass water, temps in 90, no wind
    1. McNary / McNary – 11.67 lbs
    2. Gauthier / burgess – 11.06 lbs
    3. Jenkins / Jenkins – 10.99 lbs
    4. Burns / miller – 10.38 – lbs
- The next tournament is at Bartons Cove on 7/15
- Boat Works has backed out of their sponsorship of the Trail so Dave is looking to fill that spot. Anyone with any leads please contact Dave

### **Old Business:**

- Nominations of sites for 2019 State Fishoffs:
  - Winnepesaukee – 8 votes
  - Ticonderoga – 6 votes
  - Hudson River – 6 votes
  - Great Sacandaga – 4 votes
  - Oneida – 1 votes
    - Winnepesaukee had the most votes
    - Ticonderoga & Hudson were tied and tie breaker is the President's (Joe) vote and he selected Ticonderoga as the backup
- Joe handed out & reviewed the 2018 State Fishoff proposals
  - A few of the changes are
    - No non-boater \$80 gas fee
    - Non-boater stays in back of boat unless an emergency situation
    - Non-boater has no say in fishing spots
  - Joe proposed taking \$2,000 from the money made at the Banquet and add to prize pool
    - A show of hands was conducted and all were in favor of this
  - A second question of whether to leave the registration fee @ \$180 or raise to \$200
    - A show of hands was conducted and all were in favor of raising the fee to \$200

- A motion to apply the \$2,000 from the Banquet earnings to the prize pool AND raise the registration fee to \$200 was made by Tri Valley, seconded by Wildside
  - Motion passed unanimously
- All registrations have to be postmarked by the 4<sup>th</sup>
- Anglers are only required to have a VT license

**New Business:**

- N/A

**Raffle Results:**

- Bruce Burns was the winner - \$70
- Joe McKinnon was the winner of a Bass Bets 3 book

**Meeting Reminders for Next Month:**

- **Next meeting 7/17/2018 @ 7:30pm**
- **Proposed By-Law changes can be turned in**
- **Clubs deadline for Youth Obligation for State Championship Eligibility**

Motion to adjourn made by Green Water, seconded by All State

Meeting adjourned at: 8:53 pm

Minutes taken on 6/19/18 and submitted on 6/21/18 by Erik Swanson, Secretary