

Massachusetts Bass Federation Directors Meeting June 18, 2019

Meeting called to order at: 7:40 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 Spirit Bassmasters, Green Water Wizards, North East Bass Anglers, Tri-Valley Bassmasters, Wildside Bass Anglers, Yankee Bassmasters, Pioneer Valley Bass

Secretary Report:

- Presented by Secretary Erik Swanson
 - May Minutes were presented
 - Motion to accept May Minutes as presented made by All State, seconded by Green Water
 - Motion passed unanimously

Treasurer Report:

- Presented by Treasurer Bob Rivet
 - Bob handed out and reviewed May bank statement
 - Bob reminded everyone that the family of Wally Balchunas has requested in lieu of flower please make donations to the Youth program
 - To date, there has been \$1,625 donated
 - For anyone interested in donating, Bob will continue to accept donations for one more month – make check payable to Mass Bass
 - Motion to accept Bob's report & pay any unpaid bills made by Good Spirit, seconded by Yankee
 - Motion passed unanimously

Committee Reports:

- N/A

Awards Banquet Report:

- N/A

Youth Report:

- Presented by Youth Director Seth McNary
 - Seth discussed his request to increase the commitments for Boat Captains for future tournaments – more captains are need to handle the increase in registration numbers
 - The second Youth tournament was held on 6/8 on Quabog
 - Had 33 anglers participate
 - Youth Division:
 - LM lunger- 4.49# – Jack Houghton
 - 3rd- 5.18# – Aidan Bertram
 - 2nd – 7.04# Trey Durant
 - 1st – 9.79# – Nick Frumkin
 - Qualifying for the TOC tournament are:
 - Charlie Henrick
 - Jack Houghton
 - Aiden Bertram
 - Trey Durant
 - High School Division:
 - LM lunger – 3.42# – Andrew Wang
 - SM lunger – 3.62 – Nick Beloff
 - 3rd – 8.85# Brian Nano Jr.
 - 2nd – 9.95# Nick Beloff
 - 1st – 10.47# Jacob Swanson
 - Qualifying for the TOC tournament are:
 - Caleb Brown
 - Chase Perault
 - Nick Beloff
 - Stephen Stroz
 - Jacob Swanson
 - Andrew Wang
 - Jacob Heath
 - TOC tournament will be on 6/22 at the Nashua River – Groton

Scholarship Report:

- Presented by Scholarship Director Dave McNary
 - No new applicants came in and the application period is now closed
 - There are 3 applicants total (Stroz, Hollbrook & Germain)
 - There is currently \$2,000 earmarked in budget for the three applicants

- A Motion was made by Green Water to increase the budget for this year's budget amount from \$2,000 to \$3,000 and give each applicant \$1,000 each
 - Seconded by North East
 - Motion passed unanimously

Conservation Report:

- Presented by Conservation Director Tim Germain
 - Newfound Lake boat ramp fee:
 - NH Fish & Game has nothing to do with this fee
 - There is no fee for boat ramp use
 - However, if you wish to use beach to host the weigh-in for your club, there is now a permit required fee and a \$10 per boat fee

Tournament Report:

- Presented by Tournament Director Dave McNary
 - The 3rd team trail tournament was held on 6/16 on Lake Congamond
 - Lunker SM – 3.52# Wilson / Wilson
 - Lunker LM – 4.08# Wilson / Wilson
 - 4th – 17.64# – Strazere / Lankton
 - 3th – 18.52# Marshall / Tamburello
 - 2nd 19.57# – Burns / Miller
 - 1st – 23.68# – Wilson / Wilson
 - There were no dead fish
 - Next tournament is on 7/21 at Conn. River - Hinsdale
 - A NH license & VT license is needed for this tournament
 - We will be launching out of Norms so there will be a \$15 launch fee

Old Business:

- A vote was held for the 2020 Fish-off location
 - Lake Champlain North – Appletree was the winner
 - Looking at August 1st & 2nd for the date
 - Champ North- 6 votes
 - Sacandaga- 4 votes
 - Thousand Islands- 2 votes
- Joe will get the application out by end of week for this year's State Championship at Ticonderoga
 - A reminder that BOTH NY & VT LICENSES are needed
 - The cook-out will be at the Knights of Columbus again

New Business:

- The Kids Day held at Nutting Lake was a success

- There were 50 plus participants
- Trophies were handed out and the kids had fun
- Pictures will follow soon
- A discussion took place in regard to the Federations possible participation in helping spread the word/inform our own HS anglers of the SAF HS National qualifying tournament as many of these kids are not aware of this tournament. This tournament is a Tri-State tournament with Mass, Conn & RI that participate in the same tournament and the top team from each state moves on to the National Tournament. This year there were only (2) teams that signed up from Mass. Erik Swanson & Seth McNary will discuss the possibly of next year handing out a flyer or an email to our HS anglers to make them aware of this tournament to give them another tournament to fish in.

Raffle Results:

- \$45 pot went to the Good Spirit group

Meeting Reminders for Next Month:

- **Next meeting 7/16/2019 @ 7:30pm**
- **Get your State Fishoff info in early which will help Joe with the planning/organization**
- **Next month is the deadline for the submittal of any proposed By-law changes**

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

Meeting adjourned at: 8:39 pm

Minutes taken on 6/18/19 and submitted on 7/15/19 by Erik Swanson, Secretary