

Massachusetts Bass Federation Directors Meeting

February 18, 2020

Meeting called to order at: 7:44 pm

Officers in Attendance:

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

Attendance:

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

Secretary Report:

- Presented by Seth McNary on behalf of Secretary Erik Swanson
 - Minutes received by all in attendance
 - Motion to accept January Minutes made by Northeast, seconded by Yankee
 - Motion passed unanimously

Treasurer Report:

- Presented by Treasurer Bob Rivet
 - Bob reviewed bank statements for January
 - Would like to see clubs move towards handling TBF roster and payment themselves
 - Bob accepted any bills
 - Motion to accept both reports as written and to pay any unpaid bills made by Tri Valley, seconded by Yankee
 - Motion passed unanimously

Committee Reports:

Awards Banquet Report:

- The 2020 Awards Banquet will be held on April 4th at the Maynard Elks @ 5:30. Tickets are \$30 each and can be purchased at the Feb & March Director's Meetings
 - Clubs must get payment in for tickets in ASAP.
 - Contact Joe for tickets, and he will have them for you at next meeting
 - Joe has been shopping for prizes, let him know if you know of any big sales for banquet prizes
 - Avalinos will be catering. More steak tips.

Youth Report:

- Presented by Youth Director Seth McNary
 - Registrations are starting to come in
- The form is still listed as 2019. Looking into removing the year so it applies to every year and eliminated this problem.
- The Meet & Greet will be on Sunday March 15th at the Riverside Rod and Gun Club, 16 Wilkins St Hudson, MA
 - Seth has secured Doug Cameron as a guest speaker
- Captain commitments for the 2020 Youth Tournament Trail, Seth currently has:
 - 5/9 South Watuppa- All State- 4, Good Spirit- 4, Wild Side- 2, Boston Bass- 2, Green Water- 2
 - 6/6 Congamond – North East- 4,
 - 6/20 - TOC @ Maspenock – Tri-Valley- 2, Forge- 2
 - Clubs MUST meet their youth commitment for 2020. Still a few clubs not committed for any youth events.
- July 27-Aug 1 2020 are the dates Junior World championship. Lake will be announced at a later date. New body of water for the TBF JWC.

Scholarship Report:

- Presented by Seth McNary on behalf of Scholarship Director
 - Three \$1,000 scholarships will be sent out on 2/19/20.
 - Kylie Germain
 - Stephen Stroz
 - Justin Holbrook

Conservation Report:

- Presented by Conservation Director Tim Germain
 - Reviewed and discussed current Lead Laws in some New England States
 - Maine < 1 oz or <2.5" Long lead weighted tackle is illegal
 - NH < 1oz is illegal
 - VT <1/2 oz is illegal
 - MA , <1oz or < 2.5" Long lead weighted tackle is illegal
 - CT <1oz or < 2.5" Long lead weighted tackle is illegal

Tournament Report:

- Presented by Seth McNary on behalf of Tournament Director Dave McNary
 - The permits are in place for 2020 trail.

- Although not required, many teams have prepaid their tournament(s), this allows teams to lock in their spot and provides the director with a better idea of trail size in 2020.

Old Business:

- Craig Comjean of Green Water said show was a success. Let lots of kids know about the youth program, handed out lots of flyers, and met lots of potential new adult club members.
- Casting kids was a success with lots of kids participating
- Looking to make additions to the booth for 2021 shows

New Business:

- Lowrance deal is in place and will be a sponsor in 2020
- Working on MinnKota deal at the moment, will know soon on sponsorship
- Secured TH Marine deal for 2020
 - One time order for 2020. (Limiting to Trolling motor accessories, mounts, cull clips, and other small items) No jack plates or high price items. \$4,000 limit for our federation.
 - Order must be given to Joe by March 14th. Must pay before the 14th
- Ranger Cup is awarded to the highest placing registered Ranger owner; \$100 for Federation Trail events, \$200 State Championship Fishoffs
- Cabela's will offer up to \$225 in gift cards to the Federation for meetings held at their Hudson Ma location, will offer more to federation with more events held at Cabela's
 - Joe to look into holding future meetings at Cabela's Hudson Ma location
- Dues paid for prior to the January 1 Deadline will not have to pay the FLW Competitive Member Fee in 2020
- All new members who register and plan to fish FLW events will need to pay the FLW Competitive Member Fee for 2020

Raffle Results:

- Bob Rivet won \$60

Meeting Reminders for Next Month:

- **Next meeting 3/17/20 @ 7:30pm**

Motion to adjourn made by Green Water, seconded by Yankee

Meeting adjourned at: 8:38 pm

Minutes taken on 2/18/20 and submitted on 2/19/20 by Seth McNary on behalf of Erik Swanson, Secretary