

Massachusetts Bass Federation Directors Meeting July 21, 2020

Meeting called to order at: 7:42 pm

Officers in Attendance:

- Present: President, Treasurer, Secretary, Environmental Director, Youth Director, vice president
- Missing –

Attendance:

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

Secretary Report:

- Presented by Secretary Erik Swanson
 - June Minutes were presented
 - Motion to accept June Minutes as presented by Wildside, seconded by All State
 - Motion passed unanimously

Treasurer Report:

- Presented by Treasurer Bob Rivet
 - Bob reviewed June bank statement
 - Motion to accept Treasurer's report as presented made by Good Spirit, seconded by Green Water
 - Motion passed unanimously

Committee Reports:

- N/A

Awards Banquet Report:

- N/A

Youth Report:

- Presented by Youth Director Seth McNary
 - Due to the State limitations on #'s of people in groups, Seth was forced to postpone the Youth Tournament to later in the season
 - Seth is looking at the first three Saturdays in October (3rd, 10th, 17th (TOC)
 - The bodies or water are TBD
 - Seth is going to need boaters (especially the first two tournaments) so Directors talk to your clubs and start getting commitments

- Seth will be sending out an email about fish-offs to HS anglers inviting them to the Fish-offs
 - And HS anglers interested can contact Seth or Joe

Scholarship Report:

- Presented by Scholarship Director Dave McNary
 - Application period has been closed
 - 3 Applicants for this year:
 - Ashton Leel, Ashley Zindle, Caitlin Kaprelian
 - Dave proposed to contact applicants informing them that they have been accepted for a scholarship of \$500 each with possibility of more depending on how the State Fish-offs and NSF's go
 - Motion to accept Dave's report and authorize a total of \$500 per applicant made by North East, seconded by Wild Side
 - Motion passed unanimously

Conservation Report:

- Presented by Conservation Director Tim Germain
 - The Downing boat ramp on Winnepesaukee is still under construction and will be closed the rest of this year.
 - Phase 2 to begin in the spring with the hopes that it will be completed and open in late summer
 - The Nashua River has been sprayed again for weeds in Nashua stretch

Tournament Report:

- Presented by Tournament Director Dave McNary
 - Sunday- 2nd team trail of the year at the Conn. River- Oxbow area
 - Lunker SM- Kaprelian / Swajian - 3.41#
 - Lunker LM- Consolini / Jaques - 4.52#
 - 5th- 13.10# – Katen / Herbert
 - 4th- 13.23# - Rivet / Sullivan
 - 3rd- 13.63# - Burns / Miller
 - 2nd- 14.42# - Consolini / Jaques
 - 1st- 14.83# - Swanson / Swanson
- Next tourney is at Lake Winnisquam on August 16th
 - Tournament was moved from Whitehall because there is a State limitation of 25 people, so Dave needed to move to NH
 - Permit is all set
- Dave sent an email with the points standings for the season so far

Old Business:

- Last meeting, we voted to go to Sacandaga for next year's Fish-offs and Joe is trying to get a hold of them to confirm. Joe will get more info in the upcoming weeks

New Business:

- If any Directors have any proposed by-law changes, please submit them. This is the 1st month of accepting proposals
 - Craig from Green Water is looking for new photos for Boxboro show. The current photos are old and outdated
 - John Peterson suggested having a running video of pictures of this year's tournaments, etc.
- Humminbird discount-
 - Joe received it last week however with the Covid, they sold out of the larger electronics. They will eventually have product again within a month – codes are good till end of November. If anyone is looking for a code, contact Joe
- State Fish-offs
 - Joe talked to VT Fish & Game and our permit is currently still valid
 - We will have to practice social distancing, etc.
 - To help reduce contact, Joe will not be checking licenses or boat insurance- everyone needs to be responsible for themselves and make sure they have them
 - The meeting will be held outside
 - Joe also talked to Dave Morrisett
 - Unfortunately, Dave cannot open the hall because there will be too many people
 - Therefore, the best option is to cancel the food for this year
 - The meeting will be
 - We did not have a banquet this year so that extra money is not available so the payouts will be less than usual
 - Joe needs to get entries in as fast as possible so Director's start putting together your numbers and get them to Joe asap
 - Joe will collect lunker entries / money – participants will have to put their money in envelope with their name and Joe will have a box to put them in
 - There will be no hats this year. Financially it does not make sense to spend the money on hats if there is still a chance that the tournament could be cancelled
 - Preliminary numbers:

- All State- 1 boater
- Bass Addicts- 4
- Boston- 0
- Forge- 3 boaters / 2 non
- Good Spirit- 4 boaters / 4 non
- Green Water- 8
- North East- 4
- South Shore- 4 boaters / 4 non
- Tri Valley- 4
- Wild Side- 4 boaters / 4 non
- Yankee- 2 boaters / 2 non
- Registration forms are on massbass.com
- Directors: A reminder that all clubs are not allowed to hold tournaments on days of Federation Tournaments!

Raffle Results:

- N/A

Meeting Reminders for Next Month:

- **Next meeting 8/18/2020 @ 7:30pm**

Motion to adjourn made by GW, seconded by GS

Meeting adjourned at: 8:16 pm

Minutes taken on 7/21/20 and submitted on 7/22/20 by Erik Swanson, Secretary