Massachusetts Bass Federation Directors Meeting Feb 20, 2024

Meeting called to order at: 7:37 pm

Officers in Attendance:

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

Attendance:

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

Secretary Report:

- Presented by Secretary Erik Swanson
 - Erik / Joe presented the January Minutes
 - Motion to accept the January Minutes as presented made by All State, seconded by Green Water
 - Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer Report:

- Presented by Treasurer Bob Rivet
 - Bob reviewed the January bank statement.
 - If anyone has any bills, forward to Bob for reimbursement.
 - Green water brought up reimbursement to Pay \$200 to GW for Dan Jenkins reimbursement for not fishing the State Fish-offs. Motion made by Celtic, seconded by S Shore
 - Motion passed unanimously.
 - Bob brought up how he sent a check to match a donation but inadvertently mixed up the numbers resulting in an additional \$180 being donated. A motion to leave the \$180 difference in donation as is made by S Shore, seconded by Pioneer.
 - Motion passed unanimously.
 - Motion to accept Treasurer's report as presented made by Good Spirit, seconded by Green Water
 - Motion passed unanimous.

Committee Reports:

• N/A

Awards Banquet Report:

• Banquet is April 6th @ 6:00pm

- Tickets are \$30
- Directors, please get numbers from your clubs and contact Joe for tickets

Youth Report:

- Presented by Youth Director Seth McNary
 - 15 Juniors signed up so far
 - 6 High School signed up so far
 - 4/27 Webster Lake (also the Tri-State Tournament)- 8:30 launch
 - 2:30 due to gate not opening till 7:00
 - Pioneer 2 boats
 - Forge Pond- 1 boat.
 - Wild Side- 4 boats
 - Tri-valley- 2 boats
 - 6/1 Long Pond Lakeville
 - All State- 4 boats
 - S. Shore- 2 boats
 - Yankee- 1 boat.
 - Green Water- 3 boats
 - \circ 6/22 TOC Conn River- Bartons Cove
 - N. East- 3 boats
 - Celtic- 2 boats

<u>Scholarship Report:</u>

- Presented by Scholarship Director Dave McNary
 - 3 scholarships have been paid.
 - Dave is now accepting applications for 2024.

Conservation Report:

- Presented by Conservation Director Tim Germain
 - Barb Elliot- recommends not fizzing fish through the throat as it is not as safe as going through the side.
 - Barb is selling kits for \$10 apiece.
 - $\circ~$ Go to her website page for more info and to order. You may also contact Tim to order.

Tournament Report:

- Presented by Tournament Director Dave McNary
 - Trail is set
 - All permits in hand
 - 4/21 Winni- States Landing
 - 5/19 Wequaquet Lake
 - 6/16- Qunisig- North Ramp
 - 7/21- Lake Monomonac
 - 8/18- Conn River- Hoyts Landing
 - 10/5 & 6- Champlain- Ticonderoga

• Members- send in your \$200 pre-pay to reserve your spot!

Old Business:

- The Marlboro Show was a success. Talked to many people and will hopefully pick up a few members as well as Youth members.
- Springfield show is this upcoming weekend.
- 2024 States 8/10 & 8/11 Champlain, Ticonderoga
- 2024 National Semifinals 9/14 & 9/15 Champlain, Port Henry

New Business:

- Next month, discuss limits for donations.
- Humminbird, Minn Kota, Lew's, Strike King, Rapala, TH Marine are all coming back as sponsors. More info to follow.
- Rumors that Lowrance might be back in March / April
- Clubs that would like to do their awards through TBF- contact Crystal @ TBF and she will work with you

Raffle Results:

• N/A

Meeting Reminders for Next Month:

• Next meeting 3/19/2024 @ 7:30pm

Motion to adjourn made by GW, seconded by Yankee.

Meeting adjourned at: 8:41 pm

Minutes taken on 2/20/24 and submitted on 2/21/24 by Erik Swanson, Secretary