

Massachusetts Bass Federation Directors Meeting Sept 17, 2024

Meeting called to order at: 7:41 pm

Officers in Attendance:

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

Attendance:

- All State, Boston Bass, Celtic Bass, 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 presented the August Minutes
 - Motion to accept the August Minutes as read made by Celtic, seconded by All State
 - Motion passed unanimously

Treasurer Report:

- Presented by Treasurer Bob Rivet
 - Bob reviewed the August bank statement
 - If anyone has any bills, forward to Bob for reimbursement
 - Motion to accept Treasurer's report as presented made by Green Water, seconded by Tri-Valley
 - Motion passed unanimously

Committee Reports:

- N/A

Awards Banquet Report:

- N/A

Youth Report:

- Presented by Youth Director Seth McNary
 - The temporary dates & locations (pending permits) for the 2025 Youth Trail are:

- 4/26- Quabog
- 5/31- Singletary
- 6/21- Cochituate

Scholarship Report:

- Presented by Scholarship Director Dave McNary
 - Dave has mailed out the congratulations / acceptance letters to the recipients
 - Will start accepting applicants for next year

Conservation Report:

- Presented by Conservation Director Tim Germain
 - Massachusetts has administered a Boat Ramp Monitoring Program in 2024 to help reduce the spread of invasive species as well as educate boaters about invasive species and the steps they can take to protect our lakes and ponds.
 - Have been placed at infested lakes and non-infested lakes
 - For mor information contact Tom Flannery at tom.flannery@state.ma.us
 - Lake permits for 2025 start on 10/1

Tournament Report:

- Presented by Tournament Director Dave McNary
 - The 2024 Two-day TOC will be held on October 5th & 6th @ Ticonderoga
 - 16 teams have qualified
 - The Tournament Committee has met and has put together a proposed Team Trail for 2025 (all locations pending permits):
 - 4/19 (Saturday!!) – Webster Lake
 - 5/18 – Mashpee Wakeby
 - 6/15 – South Watuppa
 - 7/20 – Cochituate
 - 8/17 – Winnisquam
 - 10/4 & 5 – TOC – Winnipiesaukee – Center Harbor

Old Business:

- Nominations for Officers:
 - Celtic nominates Joe Mckinnon for President
 - All State nominates Mark Consolini as Vice President
 - Good Spirit nominates Joey McKinnon as Secretary
 - Good Spirit nominates Erik as Secretary

- Celtic nominates Bob Rivet as Treasurer
- All State nominates Tim Germain as Conservation Director
- All State nominates Seth as Youth Director
- By-law changes are now being accepted – anyone who has a proposed by-law change needs to go on-line and fill out the form and send it to Erik to distribute
 - Two were sent out today. One proposed by-law change is from Good Spirit & the other is from Celtic

New Business:

- National Semi-final was held at Lake Champlain last weekend
 - Winning anglers from Mass moving on:
 - Angler – Jacob Swanson
 - Co-angler – Mark Consolini
 - Winning anglers from Vermont moving on:
 - Angler – Scott Green
 - Co-angler – Charlie Farrell
- **The next meeting will be held on October 15th at the Maynard Elks @ 7:00pm!!!**
- Maine is changing the rules for bass fishing tournaments. Because of these changes, the Maine Bass Federation that normally obtains a permit & hands it over to Sandy for her Reynolds Trail tournament is no longer willing to continue getting the permit for her so Sandy has asked if we would be willing to get the permit for her. Seth will contact the Maine administration to see what these new rule changes entail.

Raffle Results:

- N/A

Meeting Reminders for Next Month:

- **NEXT MEETING IS 10/14/2024 @ 7:00 pm AT MAYNARD ELKS!!!!**
- **Club Dues are due by 12/31/24. Please get this done asap!**

Motion to adjourn made by Tri Valley, seconded by Green Water

Meeting adjourned at: 8:43 pm

Minutes taken on 9/17/24 and submitted on 9/17/24 by Erik Swanson, Secretary