

## **Massachusetts Bass Federation Directors Meeting May 20, 2025**

Meeting called to order at: 7:39 pm

### **Officers in Attendance:**

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

### **Attendance:**

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

### **Secretary Report:**

- Presented by Secretary Erik Swanson
  - Erik presented the April Minutes
    - Motion to accept the April Minutes as presented made by All State, seconded by Yankee
      - Motion passed unanimously

### **Treasurer Report:**

- Presented by Treasurer Bob Rivet
  - Bob reviewed the April bank statement
    - If anyone has any bills, forward to Bob for reimbursement
      - Motion to accept Treasurer's report as presented made by Yankee, seconded by Pioneer
        - Motion passed unanimously

### **Committee Reports:**

- N/A

### **Awards Banquet Report:**

- NA

### **Youth Report:**

- Presented by Youth Director Seth McNary

- Seth was not present at the meeting. Here is the list from last month on the Club's commitments
  - 5/31- Lake Cochituate:
    - All State (4)
    - Wild Side (4)
    - Celtic (4)
    - South Shore (1)
    - Forge (3)
    - Good Spirit (1)
  - 6/21- TOC – Manchaug Pond:
    - Green Water (4)
    - South Shore (2)
    - Yankee (1)
- Seth is looking for tackle so anyone that has some to donate, please pass that along to Seth

**Scholarship Report:**

- Presented by Scholarship Director Dave McNary
  - Applications for 2025 are now being accepted

**Conservation Report:**

- Presented by Conservation Director Tim Germain
  - N/A

**Tournament Report:**

- Presented by Tournament Director Dave McNary
  - 6/15 – South Watuppa
  - 7/20 – Cochituate
  - 8/17 – Barton's Cove
  - 10/4 & 5 – TOC – Ticonderoga
- **NOTE:** Tournaments will be capped at 25 boats if it is a Mass tourney (excluding Long Pond Harwich). The TOC will also have a 25 boat limit

**Old Business:**

- N/A

**New Business:**

- A reminder that the TH Marine discount is available. Humminbird & Minn Kota packages are also available

- 11 days left to get your raffle tickets in
  - The money raised is used to pay for anglers to go to various nationals, etc. Therefore, we need to get as many tickets sold as possible
  - Celtic raised the point that maybe we should think about raising the dues from \$30 to \$50
    - Directors, bring this back to your Clubs for discussion. Will be discussed further and voted on in September.
  - A discussion was had regarding the amount of money paid to anglers for expense reimbursement for National Championships
    - Discussed capping the amount to: \$1,000 Angler & \$500 Co-angler
      - Celtic made the motion for the Federation to limit the money paid to participants for expenses to \$1,500 (\$1,000 Angler & \$500 co-angler) per tournament for each of the following four tournaments - the High Schoolers going to the HS National Championship, the Juniors going to the Junior National Championship, the State Champions going to the National Championship and the National Semifinal Champions going to the National Championship
        - Seconded by Forge Pond
          - Motion passed unanimously

**Raffle Results:**

- N/A

**Meeting Reminders for Next Month:**

- **Next meeting 5/20/2025 @ 7:30pm**

Motion to adjourn made by Green Water, seconded by Wildside

Meeting adjourned at: 8:22 pm

Minutes taken on 5/20/25 and submitted on 5/20/25 by Erik Swanson, Secretary