



NEW YORK B.A.S.S. CHAPTER FEDERATION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES – DECEMBER 17, 2016
Bass Pro Shops, 1579 Clark Street Road, Auburn, NY 13021

TIME: Meeting called to order at 10:46 am

ATTENDEES: Committee members in attendance Also in attendance
Peter Knight – President Paul Hudson
Brian Eisch – Vice President
Chris Killoren - Secretary
Fred Blom – Past President
Ken Christie – Treasurer
Dave Repman – Tournament Director

Note: The new projector was put into use for this meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1) A motion to accept the Executive Committee minutes from 3/12/16 was made by Fed Blom and accepted by all in attendance.
- 2) Last Chance Tournament: Tournament turnout in 2016 was very low. This tournament is tentatively scheduled for Cayuga Lake in 2017, however, there is no date yet selected for this event.
- 3) Club Team Championship (CTC): There were a few complaints at the 2016 CTC event. The first complaint was that a nonboater fished with a club other than his primary club to help fill out their team and ended up qualifying for the regional team. The second complaint was that a nonboater on a team used his boat twice during the tournament. Pete Knight to work with Dave Repman on revising the qualifications and the situation where anglers do not fish with their primary clubs and also the designation of boater/nonboater and the use of boats during this tournament.
- 4) Pete Knight to send info on the tournaments at the St Lawrence River to Patty Ritchie (NYS Senator).

FINANCIAL REPORT:

- 1) Treasurer report provided by Ken Christie:
 - a. As of today, there is \$1,000 in deposits from the 2017 New York Regional Team.
 - b. Fred Blom has not heard from more than half of the regional team members if they are fishing the regional tournament as of today.
 - c. There was a question on Take a Soldier Fishing Event and whether we will receive Corning Glass sponsor donations. A follow up is needed.
 - d. Pete Knight to set up a meeting to discuss budget layout prior to next Executive Meeting scheduled for January 17, 2017 at 6pm at Bass Pro Shops in Auburn, NY.
 - e. Discussion around revising Fishlines Magazine distribution method to cut costs.

COMMITTEE REPORT:

- 1) Fishlines: Brian Eisch talked with Jim Root on potentially taking over the publication responsibilities. Jim indicated he could cut our costs in half and provide a better product. Fred Blom is going to contact Jim on moving forward with this role.
- 2) Membership: Paul Hudson reported that there were 622 members in 2016, which is down 98 from 2015. Paul will remain Membership Director for 2017 and will continue to haul the release boat trailer through 2017. This role will need to be filled for 2018.

- 3) Youth / High School: Jim Moore is not present for the meeting – Fred Blom reporting on his behalf. Fred has discussed with JJ Elmer on Cashion Rods running two early bird bracket bashes to benefit High School and junior programs. One tourney will be held on 5/6 at Conesus Lake and the other on 5/26 on Oneida Lake. Additional information on these events can be found on the attachment to these minutes.
- 4) Website / Facebook: Ted Barth not present.
- 5) Fishlines Editor: Tom Presnell is no longer in this position as of today. Facebook – Tom, Fred, and Paul Hudson will continue to be administrators. Need to be diligent on keeping non sponsors from advertising on the Facebook page.
- 6) Tournament Director: Dave Repman indicated that there are still roughly 40 people who have not been identified that may need refunds from the cancellation of the 2016 tournament at Henderson Harbor.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Treasurer, Youth/Director, Web Site and Fishlines Editor are now open positions that need to be filled for 2017.
- 2) The banquet is scheduled for January 29, 2017. Sponsors for bucket raffles include Tricky Phish, MF Baits, Corey Palmer, Mark Kratz w/ Donmarr, TH Marine, Shimano, and Cashion Rods. The 2017 Regional Team will not be getting plaques. Guest speakers are Joe Sancho and Mark Kratz. Banquet tickets are \$30 each. A discussion around award winners ensued.
- 3) 2017 Regional Tournament: Pete currently has two hotels he is negotiating price with for rooms for this event. A proposal was made not to get the Regional Team jackets and use this money for the event expenses.
- 4) Tournament schedule for 2017 is the following: 6/18 – Lake Erie at Buffalo Harbor State Park, 7/16 - Lake Champlain at Plattsburg NY, 8/19 and 20 – Club Team Championship (CTC) St Lawrence River at Ogdensburg, 9/17 - Oneida Lake at Oneida Shores in Brewerton NY. Pete Knight to coordinate with Scott Callen in Buffalo for the Lake Erie Tournament. We may need to release fish by breakwall at Lake Erie event or it may change during new launch ramp design. We may have to temporarily stop weigh in for the fish release.
- 5) Carthage Area Hospital 8/4 and 8/5 contacted Pete to run a tourney on 8/4 and 8/5. They will need our weigh in trailer, weigh in bags, tv viewing monitor, fish release tubs, weigh in and tracking documentation for tourney, assist in marketing, coordinating events, provide proper licensing, etc. and run dash for cash tourney out of bonnie castle in Alexandria Bay. Pete Knight to propose budget to membership at the January 2017 meeting.
- 6) Take a Soldier Fishing (TASF) event is scheduled for April 29, 2017. Oneida Shores is on board with this date. Need to submit something to NYSDEC in January to allow for free fishing during this event. Fort Drum is approved for providing tents, buses, etc. Proposal to do more for the grilling teams other than plaques.
- 7) Change in voting procedure for Elections. Paul Hudson outlined a proposal to go from mail to an electronic voting procedure to cut costs. This will require a change in By-Laws.

No further business was discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:47 pm.

The minutes are respectfully submitted by Christopher Killoren – Secretary.

Attachments:

- 1) Sign-in Sheet
- 2) Proposed Bylaw revision for voting procedure for elections
- 3) Cashion Rod early bird bracket bash tournament info

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8 votes for bylaw

Section 1: Election Committee

There shall be a Federation Election Committee appointed by the Federation President to come from the general membership, and shall consist of three(3) members, none of which shall be a candidate for a contested office, nor an immediate family member of a candidate, nor a current member of the Executive Committee. It shall be the responsibility of this committee to record any and all nominations presented for Federation Office and to insure a fair and impartial appraisal of the candidates. Following the election, this committee will oversee the proper transition of the Federation's assets and duties to the new officers of the Federation. This committee shall be appointed and approved no later than the spring meeting of the Federation in an election year.

Section 2: Nominations

The nomination of candidates for Federation Offices shall come from the Federation membership at large and shall be recorded with the Federation Election Committee no later than the November or December meeting of the Federation prior to an election year. The Federation Election Committee shall have the responsibility to contact each nominee prior to placing their name on the ballot for acceptance. Those wishing to run for office may also nominate themselves. Nominations must be concluded at the November/December meeting.

Section 3: Voting Methodology

The Federation Election Committee shall prepare an electronic ballot in a pdf format file. This ballot will be available seven (7) days after the November/December meeting and will be downloadable from the organization's web page and Facebook Page. A copy of the ballot will also be sent to the President of each active club. The electronic ballot must be printed out, filled out completely (BASS Member number of voter) and check candidate(s) you are voting for. The filled out ballot can either be sent by email or by US Postal mail to the Election Committee. The ballots must be returned to address established by the Federation Election Committee no later than five (5) days prior to a January meeting of the Board of Directors. The Election Committee will open and count the ballots prior to the Board meeting. The Results of the election will be determined by a simple majority.

Section 4: Notification of Results

The candidates will be notified within twenty-four (24) hours of the counting, if not present at said meeting. The results shall be published electronically after notifications are made.

Section 5: Transition

The transition of newly elected officers will take place at the end of the January meeting. Both outgoing and incoming officers will meet together and discuss/finalize transitions.

Section 6: Ballot Review

The Federation Election Committee shall be responsible for the counting of the ballots and shall maintain custody of said ballots for a period of 30 days during which time they will be available for review or inspection by the Federation Executive Board members.

Cashion Early Bird Bracket Bash to benefit NY BASS Nation
High School and Junior Program.

Saturday May 6th Conesus Lake

Saturday May 27th Oneida Lake

48 two angler teams in 12 brackets

\$250 entry fee per team. Payout based on number of entries
but full field first place would be \$2500.

Fish 6 hours using scales, pictures of all fish 3 pounds or heavier

Top five fish count as team's weight.

Highest team weight in each bracket fishes final bracket

Reset weights, High School angler as Marshall. MFL style with
every fish counts.

Cashion will operate the tournament with NY BASS Nation
support and insurance coverage, using NY BASS Nation scales.

Opportunity for Marshalls to learn and participate in fundraising.

Potential to raise \$1000 per event to help with costs of National
Tournament.