

**Board of Directors Meeting
March 5th, 2017
Minutes**

Vice President Mike Sabbi brought the meeting to order at 8:02 am and the Pledge of Allegiance was performed. 21 out of 39 clubs present.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT
Mike Sabbi (standing in for Chris Wilson)**

NCSF – location changed from Henderson to Cape Vincent. The hosting location must provide TBF a host site fee in order to secure the event. Henderson was unable to provide this. Area lodging locations will be provided in the near future.

MBKO – last chance to qualify for this year's State Championship and it will be the first qualifiers for the 2017 National Championship Semi Final. Qualifiers from last year are qualified for this year's state championship.

Our Wish May 20-21. Contact Bob Stiver to volunteer for this very worthwhile event

Wounded Warrior will be upon us before we know it. Keep an eye on the website. It is planned to be the week of 9/11 out of Northeast on Chesapeake.

Regional @ Cayuga – Issues with hotel reservations. Rates have been raised. Chris sending a letter to try and get issues resolved. No cabins available. Camp sites are probably booked. Micro Motel, Starlight may be booked. May have to look into Auburn (Super 8). Get your reservations made now! See pabass forum for information.

**VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT
Mike Sabbi**

Sponsors: Plano/Frabil – Issues getting an order placed. Order was for over \$5,000. Difficult to get any response. The status of the order is unknown. Mike will keep us updated. IRod – Order lost by UPS in shipping. Will still raffle some off and will get them to the folks through tournaments. Lowrance – Raffle off an HDS 7 today. Minnkota – Chris to post info March 8 for participants in this program as well as Lowrance. For Minnkota, people will have 72 hours to use the code before the next group is posted because the program expires March 31. Zeko Shoes – Gave gift certs for raffling for high school championship. SFT, make sure to thank them when you order!

Recognize: Bob Davis who is going to National Championship! Lynn Post Has a growing high school club, locked in at 30 members. She can get more kids but needs more boats to help!

**TREASURER REPORT
Fred Lewis**

Fred Lewis has been appointed Treasurer. Fred is collecting tickets for the raffle. Send checks only. Checks should be made out to PA Bass Federation.

**SECRETARY REPORT
Harry Miles**

Harry Miles has been appointed Secretary.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Mike Galka

Questions: Are the following clubs still active? Hunters Run Bassmasters (Gone). Capital City Bassmasters (Changed name – Susquehanna River Bassmasters - D3). Bassaholics (Gone). Reel Rage (Gone). Short Cast Bassmasters (Gone). Butler County is listed as D5 and D6 (Should be D6). New Clubs – Hog Snatchers (D4). Nockamixon Mafia (D1). Primetime Anglers (D1). Mariners (?)

Currently 550 Adult members. There are some payment pending. Currently 12 Junior Club members. Questions are paying for members under 18

YOUTH REPORT

Mike Sabbi (standing in for Greg Smith)

Reel Kids – 4 contests so far. Biggest was in Harrisburg. Barry Potteiger raised \$10,000. We gave out 700 rods. Lunch was paid for helpers. Penn State kids were a big help. We had 140+ volunteers throughout the week. 2 contests at Oaks show. 61 kids at Buxmont and 143 for Berks.

Getting a lot of requests for junior clubs. Contact Greg if you'd like to start one.

Quad State 7/9 @ Elk Neck – Need help! Boats! Pre-tournament meeting 7/8 7:30p. \$72.99 Comfort Inn rooms blocked. Hoping to hit 60 boats this year.

Jr Champ – Aug 19-20 Northeast MD

CONSERVATION REPORT

John Henning

PA – No tourneys during spawn (still). Potomac – Reported healthy! Maryland – No new news

Black Bass Committee meeting 3/30 to make decisions about MD

All districts have conservation funds available.

Furnace Bay / Swan Creek – No Wake Zone? Need to check into rumor.

TOURNAMENT REPORT

Fred Lewis

MAKE SURE EVERYONE LOOKS AT THE MESSAGE BOARD! <http://pabass.com/forum/>

MBKO – Everything is posted on pabass message board. Lake Anna. Apps need to be in Fred's hands 4/29. 11 anglers, 3 co's registered so far. Mandatory meeting Thursday. Last opportunity to qualify for 2017 state championship.

Need to make sure we get mobile phone numbers for everyone to make things run smoother.

PASC – Lake Chautauqua. Info posted on pabass website. Let Fred know if you're attending by 4/30. Apps due by 6/17.

REG 1 – Start getting apps in. Lodging will be challenging. REG 2 – Erie, waiting on more information.

MBFC – the plan was to have this at the same location as the NCSF – We are discussing that issue now since the Ontario launch location had to be moved to Cape Vincent. Last opportunity to qualify for NCSF and SC following year.

TBF UPDATE
Chris Wilson

N/A

OLD BUSINESS
Mike Sabbi (standing in for Chris Wilson)

N/A

NEW BUSINESS
Mike Sabbi (standing in for Chris Wilson)

N/A (Mike bought a Ranger)

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Chris would like to thank officers, district chairs, members in general for the support over the last year.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:21