Board of Directors Meeting June 4th, 2017 Minutes

President Chris Wilson brought the meeting to order at 8:04am and the Pledge of Allegiance was performed. Roll Call: 21 out of 38 clubs present.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT Chris Wilson

Thank you from Chris and his wife, things are going well. NCSF; some of the clubs were still not clear on the process so Chris went through it again to help clear the confusion. It was explained that there are some things we have no control over because this is a TBF event. All the states do is qualify the members for the event and run the weigh in at the event. Practice and tournament days are decided by the TBF and Chris will bring this up again at this year's President's meeting as requested by a couple members of the BOD. Only 22 of 38 clubs sent boats to the NCSF last year. Clubs choose on their own how to send their boat (Angler and CoAngler). Top 10% from MR Bass, The State Championship, the Team Regionals and 10% of the volunteers for Youth Fishing events are invited to the NCSF. From the NCSF, 1 boat qualifies for every 50 boats entered from that state; this is why it is so important for the clubs to send a boat to this event.

See http://pabass.com/join-pa-bass/road-to-the-tbf-national-championship/

The next part of the discussion was how Cape Vincent came to be the selection for this year's NCSF. Once the BOD heard the explanation they agreed that Chris was in a no-win situation. For the 2020 event, the BOD understands that a certain amount of money must be obtained for the event and if we do not get the event sponsored then the BOD will have to decide if the State will pay the fee. Recommendations for locations were taken from the BOD. Chris then told each of those people that provided a location that it is now their responsibility to find a contact person for that area.

Upcoming tournaments: June 12th is the cutoff for applications for state championship. Our Wish – 7 Federation Volunteers, kids had a great time. Waiting for next year's date. Wounded Warrior – Right after Labor Day, around 9/11

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT Mike Sabbi

BoatUS -50% off membership. New members 800-395-2668. Current members 800-395-2628. Check site for code (GA00043F). Need to register so that state gets credit. It is <u>not</u> the tournament staff's responsibility to come get you if you break down.

Lowrance – Email them for access (<u>ecommerce@navico.com</u>). Send them your name, the state, billing address, phone number. They will email you back a username/password. Then you can order.

Mike is working on a sunglass sponsor. Will make an announcement soon.

Plano/Frabill – Contact person can't be located. Chris will continue to pursue and take it to the next level.

Quad State Championship – July 8^{th} pre-tournament meeting. Registration starts at 7pm. 44 teams last year, hoping to break 50 this year.

TREASURER REPORT Fred Lewis

Everything is paid current. See Fred for details.

SECRETARY REPORT Harry Miles

N/A

MEMBERSHIP REPORT Chris Wilson (standing in for Mike Galka)

Please have membership person update information in Membership Services (TBF site). After Jan 1, extra \$10, make sure membership people know! Chris to send out list of active members (by club) within the next two weeks.

YOUTH REPORT Greg Smith

Reel Kids Casting Contest at Cabelas June 10th 10a-2p. Need volunteers!

Jr State Championship August 19th-20th. Need boats to help out!

Lynn Post Needs 2 boats for June 17th Wallenpaupak. Needs 5 boats for (see recording).

CONSERVATION REPORT John Henning

N/A

TOURNAMENT REPORT Fred Lewis

State Championship June 23rd-24th, still need applications by June 19th! 35 boaters committed, goal is to get to 50. Keep an eye on the message board!

Regional #1 – July 21st-22nd at Cayuga. Get applications in ASAP! No applications received yet. Regional #2 – On Lake Erie July 14th-15th. Fred will reach out to Tim McNair (D5). Clubs are allowed to fish both.

New leaderboard was used at Mr Bass. It's pretty awesome, well worth the money!

TBF UPDATE Chris Wilson

N/A

OLD BUSINESS Chris Wilson

Co-Anglers – Be nice to the Co-Anglers! Complaints about running 80mph for no reason. Friendly Reminder: There is a complaint process for safety issues, bring those issues to Fred.

NEW BUSINESS Chris Wilson

Ray Bradshaw presents Chris with a plaque from Lebanon County for Lunker of Year 2016.

GOOD OF THE ORDER Chris Wilson

Mr Bass Fall Classic – Idea was to have it at the same location as NCSF so folks can get familiar with the water 3 weeks ahead. Thoughts on keeping or changing?

Motion: Keep Mr Bass Fall Classic at the same location as NCSF (Cape Vincent) - Lebanon/Bassaholics - Discussion - YES: 19, NO: 0, Abstain: Shy Beaver, Tyrone. Motion Carries. Chris to talk to Cape Vincent.

Discussion about off-limits for NCSF (no fishing tournament waters 3 days prior). PA would prefer no off limits but we are currently out voted on the matter. We will bring this up at the President's Council

National Championship Semi Final 2020 – Suggestions: Raystown, Wallenpaupak, Erie, Cayuga, Oneida, Delaware River... How are we going to pay for it? – will revisit in November or March. People who suggested locations should be looking for contact info to give to Chris.

Status of Release Boat? Boat will cost 60k-80k. Current funds around 39k.

AMBA sold most lottery tickets, getting a check for \$500. 70-80% of membership is doing the minimum (selling 1 ticket per person).

Meeting Adjourned at 11:41 Bassaholics/Hawghunters Allentown