**Board of Directors Meeting**

**November 4, 2018**

**Minutes**

President Chris Wilson brought the meeting to order at 8:05am and the Pledge of Allegiance was performed. Roll Call: 23 out of 37 clubs present.

**PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

**Chris Wilson**

**National Championship Semi-Final**.

 Twenty-two boats from PA went to Canada and took it all. Congratulations to Angler Bob Brody and CoAngler Ron Wolf who will be representing PA at TBFNC they also won their division winning $3,190 and $1,595 respectively. The top 13 finishers on both side received a check; PA had 5 Anglers and 6 CoAnglers get a check. PA also won the State Pride Award. Each State President picks four anglers and four coanglers before the event starts. That combined weights determines the winner.

 Clubs were reminded about the increased participation levels for the NCSF based on membership numbers as published in November. Also, again this year for every 40 boats, an additional member will go to the National Championship. So, 40 boats is 2 boats and 80 boats is 3 boats to Nationals.

 Cutoff is two weeks prior to the start of the tournament. The sooner the names get to me the better. When I get the names, I send them to TBF and TBF invites the angler to the tournament via email. This will start 6 weeks prior to the tournament and remain open for 30-days; closing 14 days prior to the tournament.

 How has the NCSF grown participation in the Federation. Under the division format there were 540 participants. Under the NCSF program there were 1700 participants. This also correlates to higher payouts and 2018 saw the TBFNC payout a total of $300,000.00 and all 54 participants received something.

 While on this subject the President brought up an email sent to him by a member of the Federation. Without going into the exact details, the writer stated for the most part that the BOD decides what is done with the NCSF. This prompted the following response from Robert Cartlidge, TBF National President:

 The TBF National Semi-Finals, their location, rules and qualification process etc. is NOT subject to review nor alteration by state federation Boards of Directors on a state by state basis. The National Semi-Finals were voted into place by the state federations National Presidents Council as TBF National Events, as such they are not subject to individual state review as they are not state events and therefore NOT subject to state Board’s control.

TBF National Office authorizes the state federation PRESIDENTS to define and preside over the state qualification process within their state and the entire process within the national rules are defined and reviewed annually by the state presidents council for us and while a state federation president as the Chief elected official of each state federation has wide leeway, even they (a state Board or State President or even me for that matter as the National President) cannot change the rules\qualification process\ guidelines of the program at will as those are voted on by the state federation National Presidents Council.

**Sponsor Information**

 We have a Minnkota trolling motor to raffle off today because all required reports were submitted on time and complete.

 Power Pole Rebate – go to website to get rebate after purchase within 90 days

 Ranger – if you buy one, please fill out the voucher. You get some great stuff and so does the Federation.

 Evinrude – Pro-Staff, if interested see me.

 For our 2017 Lowrance marketing submission, we won $500.00 which I turned over to TBF for an HDS7 and a $50 gift card for today’s raffle.

**Insurance**

 The importance of MEMBERS ONLY competing in PABASS events was reiterated from the June meeting. At the JWC this year there were sixteen youths signed up for the event that were not current members.

Insurance

• 1M General Liability – unlimited

• 25K excess medical

• 10K AD&D event coverage

• 2M child molestation protection

• 25K Emergency Recovery

• Proof of Insurance requests – whenever needed

• TBF must be notified immediately

• FAQ sheet is on website

• Waivers are required

**FLW**

 As most of you know FLW is making some changes to their business. One is that they have raised their 2019 membership dues to $75 a year. This does NOT affect TBF membership. Our membership is still $50 and includes FLW membership but they need to go through US and their TBF state\clubs to pay their dues. IF they just go online at FLW and pay dues directly with FLW the computer has no idea they are TBF members and they will be charged $75 and they will NOT be TBF members. This will be a great way to expand our membership. Find those friends who are fishing the BFLs and Costas and tell them you know how to save them some money. We do attempt to schedule around their events.

 FLW World’s Greatest Deals, On smartphone <https://flw.worldsgreatestdeals.com>; Click ‘Register’ to activate; Have your FLW member number (don’t use the leading 0); Download the app. In any area you are in, if you click on the app it will tell you where you can get special deals because you are an FLW member.

**TBF National Championship**

 After the Monday and Tuesday preliminary round, the TBFNC will no longer have a cut. All Anglers will fish All Days but only the state’s top angler will fish out of the New Ranger boat during the last practice day and competition days

**More Opportunities = More Participation = More Money = Happier Members**

 Over the past couple of years, members at some district meetings kept trying to propose ways to try and qualify people to the NCSF through the district tournaments; in part because they were not familiar with what the rules were as defined by the National Presidents Council. At the last NPC meeting, our president clarified that any state sanctioned fishing event can be used in calculating participation in the NCSF. So, it was proposed to sanction District Tournaments as State Events because state events are the only way members can advance to the NCSF. Below is the criteria:

 1. The Angler entry fee will increase to $100.00 and the Coangler entry fee will increase to $50.00.

 a. 70% of this increase will be paid to the members in keeping with our minimum payback rules. The other 30% ($6 per angler and $3 per coangler) will be forwarded to the State Treasurer by the district within 1 week after the tournament.

 2. The District Tournament Director emails the result of the along with the amount paid to each member to the President or his designee.

 3. The District runs it's tournaments according to the State Tournament Rules

 4. Ranger Bucks will be paid to the highest placing finisher at the end of the qualifying tournaments.

 5. 10% of the total angler/coangler participation in each district will be invited to the NCSF. Remember when making your schedules what the time frames are to register; 6 weeks prior to the event registration opens and it closes 14 days prior to the event - there is no extension of this window

\*\* **MOTION** to accept by Buxmont and seconded by Blue Mountain - **UNANIMOUS** \*\*

 As a reminder, the top 7 still qualify for the PA State Championship the following year.

**VICE PRESIDENT’S REPORT**

**Mike Sabbi**

**Quad State High School Championship**

 The tournament is Sunday, July 14 out of Anchor Marina with the weigh-in at the park. The meeting will be at the Comfort Inn Saturday night. Information is posted on the SAF website

 Solar Bat - Membership discount is 40% off; use code-PATBFM We can also provide this benefit as a Friends and Family discount 20% off; use code-PATBF

 Next project is rain suits.

**TREASURER REPORT**

**Chris Wilson**

 Everything is paid current and the current account balances were made available. No members requested to review those values.

**SECRETARY REPORT**

**Chris Wilson**

 At this time the President will perform these duties.

**MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

**Mike Galka**

 There are currently 671 members in 37 clubs and still processing invoices. We have 4 Junior Clubs with 30 members.

**YOUTH REPORT**

**Chris Wilson**

 Anybody looking to run casting kids contact we have plenty of kits.

 JWC is August 8-10 in Little Rock, Arkansas. More information to come.

**CONSERVATION REPORT**

**Chris Wilson**

 Aa reported at the June BOD, Arway was in trouble with the legislature and attempted to garner support from a number of organizations including ours which we declined to do. On October 18, during a special meeting, the PFBC Board of Commissioners voted unanimously to appoint Tim Schaeffer to the role of Executive Director. Schaeffer will assume his duties beginning November 13, 2018. He previously served as Director of Policy and Planning from 2008-2017

**TOURNAMENT REPORT**

**Chris Wilson**

 Reminder that PA State Championship and Team Regional 1 applications are to be sent to the President who will continue to perform the State Tournament Director duties. Each District Tournament Director will be responsible for contacting the members In their district who qualify and submit those names who have confirmed they will attend by May 15th.

 2019 Tournament Dates and Locations

* April 12-13 – Mr Bass Kick Off at Lake Anna out of Sturgeon Creek Marina
* June 21-22 – PA State Championship at Lake Raystown out of James Creek
* July 14 – Quad State High School Championship
* July 19-20 – Team Regional 1 – Cayuga Lake out of State Ramp
* September 21-22 – National Championship Semi Final at Lake Champlain out of Ticonderoga

Information about Raystown was submitted by District 4 for consideration for the 2020 NCSF. Thank you.

**TBF UPDATE**

**Chris Wilson**

 Reported in the President’s Report

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Chris Wilson**

 Cabelas family fishing day events went very well. Thank you for those members who assisted in this. For events at Cabelas, contact Ron Lay; they are very receptive to events. Not just things like the September 2 Reel Kids but even club meetings.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Chris Wilson**

 None.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

**Chris Wilson**

 We will take a year off from our fundraiser.

 February 22-24 is the Philadelphia Sport Show at Oaks Convention Center. Website for information is phillyfishingshow.com

**Meeting Adjourned on Motion. Member raffle followed.**

**ATTENDANCE**

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| **DISTRICT 1** | Please **PRINT** your name |
| BERKS B.M. #3207 |  MIKE TAYLOR |
| **BLUE MOUNTAIN B.M. #363** | RON WOLF |
| BUX-MONT B.M.  | GREG SMITH |
| **DELAWARE RIVER B.M. #1877** | MARK OVERHOLT |
| HAWGHUNTERS ALLENTOWN #4039 | WILLIE GILBERT |
| **LEHIGH VALLEY B.M. #10853** | SHANE BINDER |
| NOCKAMIXON MAFIA #11116 | TONY SLOTTER |
| **PRIME TIME ANGLERS #6978** |   |
| PRO-LINE B.M. #3703 |   |
| **SCHUYKILL B.A. #6696** | KERRY SPITTLER |
| TAMAQUA B.C. #5927 |   |
| **THE MARINERS #11138** |   |
| **DISTRICT 2** |   |
| SUSQUAHANNA VALLEY B.C. #3100 | RON BOYER |
| **WASHBERRY B.C. #9280** | BRETT DALRYMPLE |
| **DISTRICT 3** |   |
| BORDER LINE B.A. #6250 | CRAIG SHILLING |
| **BRANDYWINE B.M. #7536** | PHIL SULLIVAN |
| LANCASTER COUNTY B.M. #5109 | DOUG LAMBORN |
| **LANCASTER CO HAWGHUNTERS #6747** |   |
| LEBANON COUNTY B.A. #1632 | RAY BRADSHAW |
| **RIVER HILLS B.M. #5933** |   |
| SUSQUEHANNA RIVER B.M. #11225 |  |
| **SOUTHCENTRAL PA B.C. #5875** |   |
| **DISTRICT 4** |   |
| ALLEGHENY MOUNTAIN B.A. #5029 | CHARLES ORSARGOS |
| **BLAIR B.M. #3667** | MITCH HEATON |
| SHY BEAVER PRO STAFF #6345 | BILL LIDWELL |
| **TYRONE B.M. # 4035** | ED HENDERSON |
| HAWG SNATCHERS #11125 |   |
| **DISTRICT 5** |   |
| THE EXTREME ANGLERS #10061 |   |
| OUTCASTS #10828 |   |
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| **DISTRICT 6** |   |
| BUTLER COUNTY B.H. #10935 | MATTHEW NEFF |
| **B.M. OF CRAWFORD COUNTY #1780** | ERIC MARSH |
| CLARION COUNTY B.M. #10979 | DARYL STANKEWICH |
| **BASSAHOLICS #11060** |   |
| **DISTRICT 7** |   |
| NORTH BRANCH BASSMASTERS #10705 | MATT KLINE |
| **LEGGETTS CREEK B.M. #8742** |  |
| LUNKER LANDERS B.C. #6249 | MIKE GALKA |
| **NEPA BASS #11081** |   |
| WAYNE COUNTY B.M. #6815 | . |