



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MINUTES
January 23, 2011

Call to order – 9:05AM by Mike Bryant, President.

Minutes – Motion to accept by Sid Ryan, Region 7, and second by Steve Woodroof, Vice-President. All approved

Treasurer’s report - Motion to approve by Ed Clayton, Region 10 and second by Bert Seymour, Casting Kids Director – All approved.

Board Members Present:

✓ Mike Bryant	President
✓ Steve Woodroof	Vice-President
✓ Pam Bryant	Secretary/Treasurer
✓ Steve Woodroof	Interim Region 2 Director
Bo Copley	Region 3 Director
✓ Stephen Davis	Region 4 Director
✓ Chip Holland	Region 5 Director
✓ Chris Merritt	Region 6 Director
✓ Sid Ryan	Region 7 Director
✓ Dutch Millsaps	Region 8 Director & Youth Director
Scott Taylor	Region 9 Director
✓ Ed Clayton	Region 10 Director
✓ Jeff Franklin	Tournament Director
Will Seymour	Conservation Director
✓ Bert Seymour	Casting Kids Director

Old Business:

- 2011 Budget - Motion to approve budget by Sid Ryan, Region 7 and second by Stephen Davis, Region 4 Director. Votes: VP yes, Region 2 – yes, Region 3- yes, Region 4-yes, Region 5 –yes, Region 6- yes, Region 7 – yes, Region 8 – yes, Region 9 –yes, Region 10- yes, Tournament Director – yes, Youth Director– yes, and Casting Kids – yes. All approved.
- Officers will not be allowed to vote 2 times according to the bylaws. If you hold 2 offices you need another representative to be at the meeting to make the vote for the second office.
- Motion to add \$1000 to conservation by Sid Ryan, Region 7 Director and second by Jeff Franklin, Tournament Director. – All approved.
- 2011 Calendar - Roster and dues deadline January 31, 2011- February 28, 2011. New member forms attached. February 11-12, 2011 – Anglers Choice Open House:Membership Drive, Sid and Abby Ryan will help with the event. Feb. 19-21, 2011 – Bassmaster Classic & OCHS Boat show. Steve Woodroof, Bert Seymour and Dutch Millsaps with work the OCHS Show. Mike and Pam Bryant will attend the Bassmaster Classic.
- Alliance Program 2011- Triton; Mercury; Lowrance, Motorguide; the contract will be the same as last year. Evan Williams is a sponsor. Triton Boats became a premiere sponsor for B.A.S.S.
- Lowrance contract 2011- Jerry McKinnis and Stacy Twiggs to meet with/Lowrance.
- State Sponsors - Sponsor levels attached & Powell Rods Discount attached
- Conservation - DGIF updates & Noreen Clough back as Conservation Director with/BASS.

- We need to be asking for accountability and where the money will be used by DGIF and not the increase. If over 50 you can get lifetime license for \$155.
- Will Seymour, Conservation Director, attended VA conservation network meeting – Set priorities: energy, land conservation, water, transportation and uranium drilling. We support the ban on offshore drilling and support being more energy efficient.
- We as a state need to take three conservation goals to the conference call with/Noreen Clough. Send ideas before March 1, 2011. International Paper has a fund to help clean up water ways. Let JoAnn Holland know and she will apply for grant for us. James River and Smith River need clean up- and Claytor Lake needs clean up.
- 1st phone conference is in March. Pollution of rivers. Some way to contain trash coming from other areas.(Non-point source pollution) Another issue is pharmaceuticals. The state medical board tells everyone to flush old meds down the toilet and this could be the source of cross gender bass which is spreading.
- 1st issue is river system and trash/pharmaceuticals - 2 separate issues (legislation to take back to pharmacy for proper disposal.
- VA Board Members - Matching shirts – Approx. \$65 w/your club & sponsors – Order form attached. Send forms to Pam by February 1, 2011 – Motion by Bert Seymour, Casting Kids Director and second by Dutch Millsaps, Region 8 Director for long sleeve shirts with blue and red and state logos which the board members will purchase themselves if they want a shirt. Design a shirt for the website for members to order. We are working on this.

New Business:

Presidents Meeting - Presidents met with Jerry McKinnis in Florida in January and ten points were identified for immediate attention. There will be a follow up to the meeting as soon as the issues are addressed. One request that required board action was whether to support the Federation Nation contender in the Classic this year. The ten points were:

- West Coast Opens
- Grant Information (conservation)
- Casting Kids
- High School Bass
- Lowrance
- Canada Problems
- Secretary for Federation Nation
- Sponsor for Brandon Palaniuk
- Selling Points for Membership
- ABA

Brandon Palaniuk, the Federation Nation winner of the National Championship that will be fishing the Bassmaster Classic. Brandon has decided to fish this year with the Elite circuit and he is getting his truck and boat wrapped with the B.A.S.S. Federation Nation logo. Motion by Chip Holland, Region 5 Director, and second by Dutch Milsaps, Region 8 Director, to donate \$100 to help pay for the Federation Nation wrap. Vice-President – abstain, Region 2 – yes, Region 4 – yes, Region 5 yes, Region 6 yes, Region 7 yes, Region 8 abstain, Region 10 abstain, CastingKids - abstain, Tournament Director - yes. We will send a check for \$100 to help with the boat wrap. We want to make sure the money goes to him for wrap, travel expenses, etc.

- Youth can now participate as seniors youth division and adult division. They only have to declare which side they are going to fish if they qualify for both sides. Age 16 and up.
- Joan is meeting with Joel Eberts school and will donate a BASS subscription to the library for the youth to read and maybe more people will join. Give memberships to people as gifts to help with/memberships.

- Certificate of Insurance attached to board packet; Club Profile attached for club use.
- BASS Marshal Program open to federation members - \$100 enrollment
- Bassmaster Classic - Register today – Outdoor Expo by Berkley (one hour early). Berkley stopped the password and a new one will be out soon. Another good discount sponsor for the members is Powell Rods.
- Mr. BASS entry forms not ready; we will negotiate Mr. BASS for this year. Pontoon may be donated for the Team Championship and the Fall Classic. Also, use the Clarksville Elementary School will be used for the pairing meeting of Team Championship.
- State membership card discussion. Motion by Sid Ryan, Region 7 Director to delete cards and second by Chip Holland, Region 5 Director. All approved. Ask all members to print their BFN card online.

Report from Region Directors & Youth & Casting Kids & Conservation & Tournament

- Region 2 – Still have not found director. Schedule set and starts 3/20/11. Have not heard from all the clubs yet. Steve will stay as interim director for now. Hold an open on 5/15/11 for charity for \$100 entry.
- Region 3 – Not in attendance.
- Region 4 – 1st meeting next weekend for the year and they have set their new schedule.
- Region 5 – Two new clubs this year with a total of 15 new members. Went to a 5 fish limit this year so a one person team can fish by themselves. Jim Martin new tournament director. 2011 schedule set.
- Region 6 – Schedule set w/open event in February at Lake Chesdin. River City Bassmasters new club and they have a new tournament director.
- Region 7 – Meeting in a couple of weeks and has completely redone their web page and now 17 clubs total.
- Region 8 – Nothing
- Region 9 – Piedmont only club. Trying to grow membership. Picked up two new members. Schedule set with one event per month. If you want a booth for the sportsman show contact Becky Gore at OCHS.
- Region 10 – Waiting to see how many clubs come back. Powell Valley will be sending dues soon.
- Youth – Working on BASS camp and try to schedule on Lake Anna at state park and may be able to get the lodging also. The youth advisors will be here March 13, board meeting. May discuss a lower age group of 7-10 and it is not an issue with BASS and let them fish with anything. A discussion for later and the liability.
- Jr. Six man event for Joseph Thomson in September to be changed.
- Casting Kids – We have the sponsor for the CK state champions Settle Tire will again be the sponsor for each winner to received a \$500 savings bond. Bert Seymour, has to have the number of participants and the two winners from every CastingKids event. Joan is working on getting the events in the schools and let them compete at the state level. Also, forms have been updated and posted on the web page.
- Vice-President – no report
- We need to do an open tournament for Joseph Thomson Memorial Scholarship. Sid and Abby Ryan will help in any way possible.
- Tournament Director – Bert Seymour will help at Mr. BASS for Jeff Franklin as he is fishing the Team Championship.

Motion to adjourn by Bert Seymour, Casting Kids and second by Chris Merritt, Region 6 Director.

Next board meeting March 13, 2011 at 9:00AM, Lamplighter, Clarksville, VA
 Youth Directors will attend

Minutes by:
 Pam Bryant