

# B.A.S.S. Nation of West Virginia

## Board Meeting Minutes

January 17, 2015

The following Board members were present:

Jerod Harman	Tim Mitchem	Tony Keller	Mike Moore
Dave Helmick	Dana Brown	Ken Hackworth	Tyler Webb
Ed Vozniak			

- 1) The Board Meeting minutes of the March 8, 2014 meeting were reviewed. Dave Helmick moved to approve the minutes as amended. Ken Hackworth seconded the motion. The motion was passed by a unanimous vote.
- 2) Ed Vozniak presented the financial data as of December 31, 2014 and the 2015 budget.
- 3) The Divisional Tournament format change proposed by BASS (see attached data sheet) was discussed.
- 4) Ken Hackworth moved to eliminate the \$25 fee for the Qualifying tournaments and increase dues to \$75 per member and a club maximum of \$600. Jerod Harman seconded the motion. After a lengthy discussion the motion was passed by a unanimous vote. The clubs will vote on these dues changes at the March 7, 2015 General Membership meeting.
- 5) Jerod Harman presented a conservation update that included the proposed Shimano BASS conservation and youth initiative grant (see attached data sheet).
- 6) Dana Brown presented information about the High School National Championship that will be on Barkley Lake. Pure Fishing is the 2015 official sponsor for high school and youth programs. The Junior World Championship will be held at the same time as the High School National Championship.
- 7) Tony Keller presented the following tournament procedure items:
  - Live well checks only at Buddy Trail and team tournaments
  - Continuous blast off with no breaks between flights after announcing the beginning of the second flight
  - Lights on until the first stop
  - Must have a 50 foot rope attached to a throw cushion
  - Must have a non-inflatable Coast Guard approved PFD on board if you are not continuously wearing an inflatable PFD
  - Must wear a Coast Guard approved PFD anytime the combustion engine is running

- 8) Tim Mitchem presented the following Mid-Atlantic Divisional information:
- There are four hotels available for the Mid-Atlantic Divisional anglers
  - WV state team will stay at the Holiday Inn Express in Fairmont.
  - Marion County Commission will pay for the tournament banquet at Muriales in Fairmont
  - The Mon River locks will be open for the tournament
- 9) Ed Vozniak moved to increase the payment to the Weighin Assistants to \$300 per day. Tony Keller seconded the motion. The motion was passed by a unanimous vote.
- 10) Several bylaw changes were discussed and approved for presentation to the clubs (see attachment). The clubs will vote on these bylaw changes at the March 7, 2015 General Membership meeting.
- 11) Ken Hackworth moved that the meeting adjourn. Tony Keller seconded the motion. The motion was passed by a unanimous vote.