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

## **Board Meeting Minutes**

## January 20, 2018

The following Board members were present:

Jerod Harman	Todd Layne	Tony Keller	Dana Brown
Ken Hackworth	Tyler Webb	Ed Vozniak	Mike Moore

- 1) The minutes of the October 13, 2017 Board meeting were reviewed. Dana Brown moved to accept the minutes as presented. Tony Keller seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.
- A Special Election was held to fill the unexpired term of Vice President that will expire on December 31, 2018. Ken Hackworth nominated Tim Mitchem. Ed Vozniak seconded the motion. There were no other nominations for the position of Vice President. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.
- 3) A Special Election was held to fill the unexpired term of Western Delegate that will expire on December 31, 2018. Ken Hackworth nominated Todd Layne. Dana Brown seconded the motion. There were no other nominations for the position of Western Delegate. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.
- 4) An off limits period before tournaments was discussed. The issue will be on the agenda and voted upon by the clubs at the March 17, 2018 General Membership meeting. If this Tournament Rule change is adopted, future protests will be expedited in the same manner as the current process.
- 5) Mike Moore moved that the limit at all tournaments be five (5) bass. Tony Keller seconded the motion. After a discussion there was a vote on the motion. There were seven (7) votes for the motion and one (1) abstention. The motion passed.
- 6) The use of conservation non-piercing culling clips at tournaments was discussed. After a discussion, the issue was tabled until there was more data on the types and use of the conservation culling clips.
- 7) There was a discussion about anglers fishing two (2) day BASS Nation of West Virginia (BNWV) draw tournaments and not coming to fish the second day of the tournament. After a discussion, there was a consensus that there should be some type of penalty for not coming to fish the second day.

Ken Hackworth moved that if an angler withdrew from the second day of a BNWV draw tournament, the angler is banned from any BNWV draw tournament for two (2) years. If the angler receives prior approval from the Tournament Committee to withdraw from the second day of a BNWV draw tournament, no penalty will be imposed. Dana Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

- 8) The need for assistance at Youth tournaments was discussed. Help is needed at the Youth tournaments, especially, when boats are launched and pulled out of the water. The President and Youth Director will post requests for assistance to the chapter presidents and members.
- 9) Ken Hackworth moved that BNWV General Acct. will no longer fund Youth team travel. Dana Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.
- 10) Ed Vozniak presented the BNWV Budget for 2018. There was a lengthy discussion of the 2018 State Team expenses.

Ken Hackworth moved that the 2018 BNWV Budget provide funds for the State team Regional Tournament for lodging, tournament entry fees, travel gasoline and boat gasoline in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_\_. Dana Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

- 11) There was a discussion about the cost of tournament awards. Jerod Harman will research to find a place to get the awards at a lesser cost.
- 12) There was a discussion about raising funds for the State team.

Ken Hackworth moved that the entry fee for the State tournament be \$50 per angler. The payout will be 50% of the entry fees to the top Twenty Two (22) anglers. The remaining 50% of the entry fees will assist in funding the State team. Tony Keller seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.

- 13) Ken Hackworth and Tim Mitchem will meet with the Marion County Commission to discuss 2018 funding.
- 14) Jerod Harman discussed the following planned conservation projects.
  - --Line and lure collection stations at local lakes
  - --Stonewall Jackson Lake brush piles
  - --Tygart Lake spider blocks
- 15) Mike Moore moved that the meeting adjourn. Tony Keller seconded the motion. The motion passed by a unanimous vote.