

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

Board Meeting Minutes

January 30, 2016

The following Board members were present:

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

- 1) The Board of Directors Meeting minutes of the October 16, 2015 meeting were reviewed. Jim Summers moved to accept the minutes as presented. Tony Keller seconded the motion. The motion was passed by a unanimous vote.
- 2) Tim Mitchem reported on the items discussed at the President's meeting held BASS Nation Championship. They are as follows:
 - How other states fund their State teams. Compared to other states, WV provides among the best funding for the team.
 - Raffles were big money raisers.
 - BASS wants everyone to use the Pro-Am for the state tournaments.
 - In the future, the BASS Nation Championship may be at the same site as the Classic.
- 3) Jim Summers proposed that at the 2016 State Championship we will use the Pro-Am format. If you enter the tournament as a boater, you will compete against the other boaters in the tournament. If you enter the tournament as a non-boater, you will compete against the other non-boaters in the tournament. The top 10 boaters and top 10 non-boaters will be on the State team. The two alternates will be the eleventh place boater and the eleventh non-boater. Dana Brown seconded the motion. The motion passed by an eight (8) to one (1) vote.
- 4) Dana Brown reported on Youth activities.
 - Berkley will provide the youths a team shirt for \$30.
 - The 2016 Youth National Championship for the youths will be on Kentucky Lake the first week of August.
 - The Gun Raffle and Cash Bash were very successful fund raisers.
 - There are 22 High School teams and the High School team trail will fish at least five tournaments in 2016.

- 5) Jerod Harman reported on Conservation activities.
 - Jerod will attend the BASS Conservation Summit on March 5-6 in Tulsa.
 - A progress report on the Stonewall Jackson Lake Project was sent to Shimano. Shimano funded the grant for the project. The project will be completed in June 2016.
 - Jerod discussed the importance of keeping livewells clean.
- 6) Sponsors need to submit their logos for the team shirts by mid March.
- 7) Buck Gump recruited an Official Sponsor (\$1,000).
- 8) The Youth and Conservation are preparing brochures to promote the organization.
- 9) Tim Mitchem reported on tournaments.
 - Permits have been approved for all of our tournaments.
 - the profit from Open tournaments will be dedicated to funding the State team.
 - The State Championship will be at Stonewall Jackson Lake.
 - Entry into the Marion County Invitational will be the same as last year. The buy-in fee will be \$200.
 - Tim Mitchem will contact Morgantown about an Open tournament in 2016.
- 10) Jerod Harman proposed that the Buddy Trail payout change from paying to 20% of the field to paying to 15 % of the field. After a lengthy discussion, the board decided to present the change to the membership at the March 12, 2016.
- 11) Ed Vozniak presented the 2015 financial statements.
- 12) Ed Vozniak presented the 2016 Budget. After some modifications to the 2016 Budget, Dana Brown proposed that the 2016 Budget be accepted as modified. Tim Mitchem seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 13) Jim Summers moved that the meeting adjourn. Dana Brown seconded the motion. The motion was passed by a unanimous vote.