

BASS Nation of WV Board Meeting

January 13, 2024

Days Inn , Flatwoods, WV.

In Attendance: Ken Hackworth, Ed Powell, Randy Huffman, Tony Keller, Todd Layne, Dustin Hollen, Matt Myers, Dana Brown, Ben Nowalk

1. Western Delegate – President Ken Hackworth

Ken Hackworth moved to appoint Ben Nowalk of Wayne County Bassmasters to fill the open and unexpired term of the office of Western Delegate. Vice President Ed Powell 2nd the motion. Approved by all present.

2. Off Limits Period - All Board Members

- A. Ken Hackworth moved that “All adult BNWV Tournaments shall have an Off-Limits Period beginning at 1201AM Monday prior to each tournament. During any off-limits period, competitors cannot be upon the tournament waters or solicit, gather, or intentionally receive any information from anyone other than another competitor in the tournament. “ Western Delegate Ben Nowalk 2nd the motion. Motion passed 8-1.

3. Conservation – Conservation Director Matt Myers

- A. Methods were discussed to improve and advance our Conservation program. Also discussed adding additional oxygen into the live release Tank.

4. Sponsors -Ken Hackworth

- A. Ken spoke on removing non-current sponsors from website and trailer. Also discussed speaking to potential new sponsors.

5. Presenting Sponsor Payout - Ken Hackworth

- A. Ken led discussion on priority of sponsorship money toward Payouts.

6. Financials- Ken Hackworth and Sec/Treasurer Todd Layne

- A. Todd Layne to have access to all BNWV financial accounts and Matt Myers to have access to Conservation account.

7. **Youth-** Youth Director Dana Brown

- A. Youth tournaments have been adjusted to no longer follow adult tournaments. A 5th tournament has been added for the youth.

8. **Elimination Dinner** - Dana Brown and Northern Delegate Dustin Hollen

- A. A discussion occurred concerning planned elimination dinner on Feb 24th in Buchanan as a fundraiser.

9. **BNC Funding** - Ken Hackworth

- A. Issue tabled until March Meeting.

10. **Club Region Changes** - Ken Hackworth

- A. Two clubs, Little Kanawha Bassmasters and Jackson Six Bassmasters, have moved to the Northern Region.

11. **Banquet Duties** - All

- A. Duties for award banquet were discussed and assigned.

12. **Adjournment** A motion to **Adjourn** was made by Ken Hackworth. 2nd by Ed Powell.
Approved by all present.