

BASS Nation of WV General Meeting

November 1, 2025

Luzaders 3 Girls Diner Conference Room, Flatwoods, WV

Board Members In Attendance:, Lyle Atkins, Tony Keller, Tyler Webb, Matt Myers, Dana Brown, John Cooper, Kevin Postalwait,
President Ken Hackworth

1. General BOD Meeting Minutes, 3-15-2025---Orville Blackmore Waived

Reading of minutes. Rick Hamer seconded. Motion Passed.

2. Sec/Treasurer Kevin Postalwait announced winners of election—

President—Lyle Atkins; Sec./Treasurer—Kevin Postalwait; Conservation

Director—Dustin Hollen; General Delegate—Tony Keller; Northern

Delegate—Mark Moran.

3. Off-Limits Period. President Ken Hackworth informed the members

regarding the rescinding the off-limits period.

4. 2026 SQT dates/locations (Regional clubs choose location and State

Championship dates/location (SE clubs choose location)

- a. Southeastern Qualifier will be at Stevens Lake 9/20/2026

- b. Northern: Powhatan Point 9/19/20

- c. Western: Sutton 9/26/26

- d. State Championship: Summersville 10/10-11/2026

5. State Team Trail Series Dates/locations

- a. 4/04/2026—Sutton Lake
- b. 4/18/2026—Stonewall Jackson Lake
- c. 5/02/2026—Summersville Lake
- d. 5/16/2026—Mon River @ Palatine Park
- e. 6/6-7/2026—Ohio River @ Powhatan Point

6. Meeting Dates

January 10, 2026 Board Only Meeting at 10:00 a.m.

March 21, 2026 Board Meeting at 10:00 a.m. and General Meeting at 1:00 p.m.

October 24, 2026 Board Meeting at 10:00 a.m. and General Meeting at 1:00 p.m.

7. Financial Update—Financial update given by Treasurer Kevin Postalwait.

An added emphasis was made on fundraising and participation in all available programs.

8. BASS Nation New Programs—Lyle Atkins outlined the new programs

presented by B.A.S.S. for BASS Nation participation. The presentation will be outlined in more detail at the March meeting but an outline was given to members on how to qualify for future state teams.

9. Youth—Youth Director Dana Brown informed members of updates on the youth division. He asked members to keep him informed if anyone would be willing to participate as a boat coach for youth events. He also informed members that all boat coaches will be required to have a boater safety certificate.
10. Boater Safety Requirement—President Ken Hackworth informed members of the boater safety requirement effective January 1, 2026 prior to fishing any WV BASS Nation event.
11. Conservation—Matt Myers informed members of the compilation of records for statistical purposes. He informed the members of fish care numbers over the past two years. Best Live release rate in the nation.
12. Boaters competing solo @SQT & SC—President Hackworth discussed boaters competing solo at state qualifiers and state championship. Tournament Director Lyle Atkins informed those present that B.A.S.S. dictates what we do to send boaters and co-anglers to the BASS Nation Championship. Boaters will compete against other boaters with a 5 fish limit and non-boaters will compete against co-anglers with a 3 fish limit.
13. Items from Floor. Tournament Rule 22(b) is repealed. Nets are allowed in all WV BASS Nation Tournaments. Dana Brown, Youth Director, informed

the members that the Coast Guard has offered to be at tournaments to do a boat check without giving tickets and they are willing to do so at the club level as well.

14. Adjournment. Rick Hamer made a motion to adjourn. Orville Blackmore seconded. Meeting adjourned.