



Minutes Board Meeting  
March 19, 2017

Meeting called to order at 9:00AM by Mike Bryant, President.

Roll Call by Pam Bryant

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| ○ Steve Woodroof    | Vice President |
| ○ Joan Blankenship  | Conservation   |
| ○ Jack Babcock      | Youth Director |
| ○ Mike Boitnott     | Region 1       |
| ○ Charlie Davis     | Region 2       |
| ○ Cavin Young       | Region 3       |
|                     | ○ Region 4     |
|                     | ○ Region 5     |
| ○ Karla Babcock for | Region 6       |
| ○ Sid Ryan          | Region 7       |
|                     | ○ Region 10    |

- Minutes – Motion to approve by Joan Blankenship, Conservation and second by Mike Boitnott, Region 1. All approved.
- Treasurer's report - Motion to approve by Mike Boitnott, Region 1 and second by Joan Blankenship, Conservation. All approved.

**Old Business:** *Introduced Jack Babcock as the new Youth Director and his wife Karla will also help.*

*Welcome back Mike Boitnott from back surgery. Ed Clayton has been in the hospital but now he is at home.*

- Casting Kids Director - NEEDED
- Webmaster - NEEDED – Our webpage hurts us because it is not updated regularly
- 2017 Calendar - March 25, 2017 – Northern & Southern JSQ3 before the State Championship
  - April 8-9, 2017 Mr. BASS at Gaston – Entry forms attached
  - April 29-30, 2017 – JSC at Oconeechee State Park, Clarksville, VA
  - May 6-7, 2017 Team Championship – Entry forms attached
- CLUB ROSTERS & DUES - Send in ASAP for membership and to fish tournaments
- 2017 Membership - Work on increasing membership. We have goals with BASS to send teams to nationals.
- 2017 Bylaws & Rules - Emailed changes and posted to website. Took back to club to vote on point system for tournament
- Discussed with members in the region. We will send to vote next year 2018.
- Bylaw change request – Benefits to Virginia State Team members provided by the Nation shall include and be limited to meals and general expense funds advanced by the Board in consideration of anticipated costs, reimbursement by the Team Manager for the cost of motor fuel and oil for authorized motor vehicles and boats, lodging selected by the Board or the Team Manager for the period of interstate competition, and related practice and travel days, uniform shirts, jackets and caps, and if the team wins its tournament, a trophy for each member if such awards are not provided at the tournament. All individual awards provided or won through team activities, including entry in the Bassmaster Classic Tournament with travel expense reimbursement guaranteed by the Nation, shall be the property of the team members who win them. **All awards provided to or won by the Virginia State Team, as a unit shall be divided between the B.A.S.S. Nation of Virginia and the State Team members. The B.A.S.S. Nation of Virginia will receive 50% of the proceed earned to help defray expenses of the state team and the remaining 50% will be divided equally among the State Team members.** Half of the Virginia State Team members shall be permitted to take qualified tournament boats to interstate competition at Nation expense. First place finalist in the Fall Classic Tournament and the top five individuals of the Fish Off Event, the alternate (11<sup>th</sup> place Fish Off). The Team Manager or his designees shall take one boat, qualified for tournament use, for use as a replacement in case of breakdown, practice boat and service boat.
- Discussion about team work with the state team. Emergency change to bylaw motion as attached by Sid Ryan, Region 7 and second by Mike Boitnott, Region 1. Revote by Region 1 - yes, Region 2 - yes, Region 3 - yes, Region 6- yes, Region 7 - yes, Conservation - No, Youth - yes and VP – yes, Region 10 – No by email. Vote Passed by majority.
- Alliance Program 2017 - Triton; Mercury; Lowrance, Motorguide, Lowrance contract 2016 - State Team only get discount
  - ***We now have to help sell Triton Boats to get up to \$5000 - no longer free***

- State Sponsors - Conrad Enterprise – Clarksville raffle; discount rate; comp rooms
  - South Hill Chamber of Commerce - \$ per room per night
  - Zebco – 50 rods for youth and discount purchase for state team from Quantum
  - ReyChem (Detailer's Choice) – Giveaways
  - Glass Baron – Glass for raffle
  - Rock House Marina - Giveaways
  - Power Pole
  - Real Deal Props – Discount service on props & trolling motors for giveaways
  - River Rat Baits – Baits for each state event & 25% discount to all members
  - Missile Baits – Lures for state events
  - Graves Mountain Lodge – Sample jelly and weekend giveaway
  - Pros Choice - Giveaways

#### **New Business:**

- Region Directors - Need to help at the meetings for Mr. BASS & Team Championship. Workers are Abby & Sid, Mike & Missy, Joan & Steve.
- We need donation for Scholarship Fund.
- Team Tournament Trail - Sign-up at the Mr. BASS and Team Championship
- State Championship – Some members have a conflict w/ date 10/28-10/29/17. We cannot change our dates. They were set in August and we have permits. All opposed to changing the date.
- FOCL FALL CLASSIC - September 16, 2017, Claytor Lake. Asked us to work again this year. Yes we will.
- Brian Harold Memorial - Set Date and will need help with promotion. Tentative date is 8/12/17 at Kerr Lake at 6:00-2:00.
- \$100 per team with 50% payback.
- Scholarships - Shimano due 4/30/17 & Memorial Scholarship due in May. Graduating senior and rising freshman in college.
- Also dependents of active members.
- Website - New web address vabassnation.com
- FACEBOOK - Send pictures to Abby Ryan to post. Including the high school anglers.

#### **• Report from Region Directors & Conservation & Tournament**

- Region 1 – Back to working region. Good group to fish starting 3/25/17. 9/23/17 Youth day.
- Region 2 – 1<sup>st</sup> event 3/26/17 at SML.
- Region 3 – Fishing with Region 6 and 1<sup>st</sup> event last weekend with 46 boats. Maybe the membership increasing by fishing together.
- Region 6 – Same as region 3.
- Region 7 – 1<sup>st</sup> event last weekend with 48 boats. New sponsor Cavalier Ford in Chesapeake, VA. Every region member that stays for the entire weigh-in will be put on list and they will draw 2 names and pay entry fee for the year for 2018.
- Youth – Growing fast. JSQ3 North and South next weekend. Next month will be the JSC. Possibly do an open event with adult/youth later to help teach the youth. Also, suggest demonstrations for the youth club meetings.
- Conservation – Attached summary. Moss Back Grant proposal for \$1000. Pitch-it Grant for \$1000 for collecting soft plastic lures and turning them in. Need more angler help and participation in conservation. We are growing grass for Claytor Lake but anglers need to help plant it.
- VP – Going to the Bassmaster Classic
- Motion to adjourn by Joan Blankenship, Conservation and second by Mike Boitnott, Region 1. All approved.

**Next board meeting - August 6, 2017 at 9:00AM in Clarksville, VA**