



MINUTES BOARD MEETING
March 27, 2022

Meeting was called to order by Mike Bryant, President at 9:05am at the Clarion Point Hotel Conference Center, Clarksville, VA

Members Present:

Mike Bryant	President
Steve Woodruff	Vice President
Ray Tweedy	Region 2
Cavin Young	Region 3
Stephen Davis	Region 4
Chris Merritt	Region 6
Craig Owens	Region 7
Bruce Shepherd	Region 10
Jack Babcock	Youth Director
Susan Owens	Interim Secretary/Treasurer

The minutes from the January meeting were previously emailed to all members.

INTRODUCTORY BUSINESS:

- Mary Willis is our Bass Nation of VA contact point for reservations at the Clarion Point (formerly Magnuson) and Quality Inn (formerly the Lake Motel). Mary provided a quick tour to the members. The rooms are nice and very fisherman friendly.
- Mike Bryant briefly read the qualifications of Susan Owens for the secretary/treasurer position. The board voted yes unanimously effective immediately.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 2022 State Team - Jerseys have been ordered. Team members have been registered.
- Bylaw Changes - Updated and uploaded to the website.
- 2022 Mr. BASS Postponed due to weather conditions - Mike appointed Craig Owens as tournament committee chairman. Due to unavailability of ramps to reschedule, a motion by Bruce Shepherd, Region 10, seconded by Steve Woodruff, Vice-President to cancel Mr. Bass increasing the State Fish Off berths from 25 to 35 boats for each of the 6-Man and Fall Classic tournaments. Any same partner teams fishing both 6-Man and Fall Classic will receive a berth in the State Fish Off. Vote results: Region 3 abstained, all other members voted yes. Anyone who entered the Mr. Bass tournament may ask for a refund or ask for their Mr. Bass entry to roll over to the 6 Man or Fall Classic events.

BASS announced the National Championship on Pickwick Lake has been changed to November 9-11. Our State Fish off is November 12-13. A one-time, non-precedential agreement by the members to offer our 2 members fishing the Nationals a berth in the State Fish Off as long as they fish at least 1 of the 6-Man

or Fall Classic. All agreed. Permanency of this offer to be voted on for bylaw change at the January 2023 meeting.

Members agreed to get tournament dates set earlier. Susan will provide a call-in number for a special meeting on Monday, May 23rd at 7:30pm to set 2023 adult tournament dates. Youth tournament dates to be approved thereafter.

- 2022 JSQ3 N&S Postponed due to weather conditions - Cancelled. No available dates for rescheduling. Craig Owens discussed the cancellation decision of both Mr. Bass and JSQ3 N&S events. The board members present made the decision.
- March 19 State College Team Championship - The Virginia Tech team of Ryan Feehein and Spence Francis won with 22 lbs. and lunker. Liberty College came in 2nd. There were 8 teams competing. Posted on Facebook.

Alliance Program 2022 Triton; Mercury; Motorguide

We now have to help sell Triton Boats to get up to \$5000 – no longer free

Mercury 3 cases of oil each for State and Youth

Lowrance has State team members' names. Team members must notify Lowrance.

State Sponsors

- Conrad Enterprise – Clarksville raffle; discount rate; comp rooms
- Zebco providing 50 rods for youth
- Quantum providing discount purchase for State team
- ReyChem will have bucket giveaways at state events
- Glass Baron - monetary donation and product
- Power Pole – State team members need to sign up as pro-angler for discounts
- Missile Baits –lure goodie bags for state events and youth events
- Graves Mountain Lodge –sample jellies and weekend giveaway to raffle
- Anglers Choice –a battery for state team event raffles
- BMOR (Budget Mobile Outboard Repair) 2 gallons oil per tournament for raffle

NEW BUSINESS

- 2022 Calendar – State Team April 27-29 Lewis Smith Lake
 - April 2 & 3, 2022 – JSQ #4 North & South at Philpott Lake and Chick River
 - April 30-May 1, 2022 – HS & JR State Championship – Kerr Lake, Oconeechee State Park
 - June 24-26, 2022 – Buggs Island, Oconeechee State Park – Entry form will be posted
- Conservation – Joan Blankenship sent report to the board with a copy distributed at this meeting. Mike Bryant read the highlights of her report
- Facebook Page - Send photos to Abby Ryan or Mike Bryant to post
- Proposal for Youth Account - Mike distributed a proposed outline of a budget supplied by our accountant and attorney to be voted on at the May 23rd phone conference meeting.

REPORTS PER REGION DIRECTORS & YOUTH

Region 2: Held a region tournament last weekend on SML with 37 boats. Next tournament is May 1st. Participation has picked up.

Region 3: First region tournament yesterday

Region 4/5: Combined region tournament at SML cancelled at the ramp due to high winds.

Region 6: 1st tournament combined with Region 3 yesterday. 16 lbs. to win. Cavin finished 2nd. Had 41 boats between the 2 regions.

Region 7: 1st Region on Feb 27th on Gaston. Kevin Walton won with almost 20 lbs. Next region April 16 on Kerr out of North Bend. Anticipate 50 boats.

Region 10: June 5th "Take a Veteran Fishing" event on Claytor Lake. Alabama bass project brochures were passed out to all members

Youth: Next tournament Saturday on Philpott for the South and Sunday on Chick for the North. Junior State Championship on April 30/May 1 with top 5 finishers from the qualifiers. Sunday, May 15th is a youth fundraiser event for the scholarship fund.

Vice President: Good.

Meeting Adjourned 1:20pm

Next Board meeting will be August 21, 2022, at Bridgewater Bar & Grill, Clarksville, VA

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Owens
Secretary/Treasurer