

Wisconsin Bass Federation Reps Meeting
Chula Vista March 21, 2021

President Chad Klein called meeting to order.

Roll Call taken by Becky Smyers,

- Present: 4-Lakes Bassmasters, Anglers Edge, Belle City Bass Masters, Black River, C&R Bass Anglers, Castle Rock Bassmasters, Last Cast Bass Anglers, Madison Bass Club, Midwest Bassmasters, River County Bassmasters, Rockford Hawg Hunters, Stateline, Team Interstate Bassmasters, Wisconsin Valley Bassbusters

-Not Present: Bass Assassin Bass Masters, Bay View Bassmasters, Blackhawk Basscasters, Hartland Bass Club, Northern Illinois Bassmasters, Packerland Bass Club

-Motion to accept meeting minutes from January reps meeting, motion 2nd and accepted.

Secretary's report given: Becky Smyers

-Not much, although youth/conservation reports were waived for the 2020 Season, there will be one due for the 2021 Season. Reports due by convention 2022 but can be emailed/mailed to Becky as soon as they are completed.

Conservation Report given: Nathan Greawin

-WI virtual spring hearing will begin online April 12 at 7:00 pm and will remain open for 3 days. Please log in and answer questions, this year there are 23 proposed rule changes related to fisheries and five proposed rule changes related to wildlife management. There are also advisory questions from Fisheries, The Natural Resources Board and the Wisconsin Conservation Congress.

-Nathan distributed packets regarding Wisconsin Water Quality reports, there was a lot of information in them, please contact Nathan for more info, too much to cover in meeting minutes.

Treasurers Report given: Jim Jones

-At this time there is approx. \$51,000.00 in accounts. That number will change as most clubs have not paid dues yet and some expenses are being paid out from last season from board members, getting new trailer ready, convention costs, plaque costs, entry fee payback for top ten pros/cos for NSF etc.

-Detailed reports were given out at reps meeting, if your club was not there you can contact Jim for a copy.

Youth Report given: Given by Chad Klein for Adam Barnard

-Still looking for a youth director, Adam will still help out but we need someone to step up, please let Chad know if anyone is interested.

-Still no date chosen for State Youth Championship as we currently do not have a youth club.

-still talked about possibly running along with Mr. Bass, no final decision made at this time

-it would be in our best interests to get at least 1 youth club together to be able to send a team to championship on the River.

Vice president/tournament director report given: Jeremy Eckes

-brought in rules change verbage to have updated on website such as deleting zone/state, boat operation and expense costs for co anglers is minimum \$25.00., adding revision histories at the end of document, etc. We want the website to accurately reflect current rules.

-Qualifiers for 2021

-Saturday May 1, Winneconne, out of Waterfront Park

-Sunday June 13, Sturgeon Bay, out of Sawyer Park

-Saturday June 26, Pool 8,9,10, running out of Power Plant on pool 9

-Mr. Bass, Saturday July 10, Lake Puckaway out of County Park (launch on northside)

-NSF, September 25, 26 Sturgeon Bay, out of Sawyer Park

-host hotel Beach Harbor Resort

-If we do not have official release boats for tournaments, there will be designated release boats most likely boats 1,2,3 etc. There will be no more releasing fish off of land or piers they will be released back into deep water.

-there will now be an official boat check in at end of tournament, it will consist of either T.D. or President at specific check in point with numbered tag, paddle (TBD), if you are late you will lose 1 pound per minute up to 15 minutes, then DQ, so please if you are having boat problems let T.D. know asap, we will get someone to you as fast as we can but there is not a guarantee you will not be late and or disqualified.

-new computer and weigh system are getting up and running, T.D. will do like last year and send out emails/texts night prior for pairings, rules, any special regulations per body of water, etc.

-on practice days it states on trip sheet now, boats are to be off the water by 5 pm.

-trip sheets are up on website now, entries are also being accepted

-you must have a link when signing up, you can contact us last resort if you are really having a hard time finding link, you can link with other clubs but try to get some of your club members to fish

-all entries will be due the Tuesday before the tournament, there will no longer be last minute entries accepted

-tie breaker will be as follows (will be updated on website):

-Single Event

-1. Most fish

-2. Most live fish

-3. No further tie breaker, tie will remain a tie with money and trophies (if any)

split equally.

-If tie for 1st place both finishers will qualify for NSF

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-1. Most fish

-2. Most live fish

-3. Total weight from all qualifiers (not including Mr. Bass)

-4. Tie will remain and tie and money and trophies (if any) will be split equally

Old Business: Chad Klein

-new trailer is ready on the inside (there is a lot of "extra" stuff we will be getting rid of, these items will be offered to out members first before the general public

-old trailer needs to be emptied, some things disposed of to load new trailer in a more organized, efficient way.

-any club in Chad's area that may want to help with this, this could be considered a conservation project.

New Business: Chad Klein

-Sponsor update:

-Lowrance is still in the works, but contract should be coming soon

-Minn Kota/Humminbird are on board, codes will be given out based on standings and if someone doesn't want one it will go to the next finisher and so on.

-TH marine is on board, we get a code to use as a state, Chad will be making a spring/summer order then a fall, however he will not be ordering until he has payment from members so if you are planning on ordering plan on sending check, paypal, venmo, etc. to Chad.

-Drastic Plastics, Scott Monroe is a sponsor

-Not Stock Outdoors, Jesse Domer is a sponsor

-Ranger cup has several changes for this year, you can visit their website or contact Chad for more details.

-Convention next year motion made that we will be providing meal free to all of our members (they will still need to pay for their guests), motion 2nd and accepted, looking at possibly having second weekend in January 2022 at Chula Vista.

-October 2021 reps meeting possibly October 17, will try for Cabela's in Madison if we can

-Tournament Committee met after board meeting, tentative lakes for the 2022, 2023 season are as follows:

2022: Lake Geneva, Alma pools 4,5, Lake Wisconsin, Mr. Bass on Lake Koshkonong

2023: Winneconne, Fox Lake, Mendota or Madison Chain, Mr. Bass on Tichigan or

Delavan.

2023 NSF: Pool 10 (9,10,11)

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-Meeting adjourned by Chad Klein