

Wisconsin Bass Federation Reps Meeting
Cabela's – Sun Prairie, Wisc.
Date: October 22, 2022

President Chad Klein called meeting to order.

Roll call taken by Al Wych:

- Present: 4-Lakes Bassmasters, C & R Bass Anglers, Madison Bass Club, Midwest Bassmasters, River Country Bassmasters (1), Rockford Hawg Hunters, Team Interstate Bass, Bayview Bassmasters, Last Cast Bass Anglers, River Country Bassmasters (2)
- Not Present: Anglers Edge, Belle City Anglers, Packerland Bass Club, Castle Rock Bass Anglers, Heartland Bass club

Motion to accept Meeting minutes from March 20, 2022 reps meeting, motion 2nd and accepted.

Secretary's report given: Al Wych

Need to get Youth / Conservation projects for 2022 sent in to me via e-mail or regular mail. Each club is required to submit for a spot on the NSF. Forms can be found on the Wisconsin Bass Federation Website –Member forms & Downloads – Project reports.

My e-mail address is: abwych@gmail.com. Contact information for the Board Members has been updated on the WBF website.

Treasurer's report given: Jim Jones

The treasurer's report for the year was reviewed by Chad Klein. A copy of the P&L may be obtained by contacting Jim Jones. The contact information is on the Wisconsin Bass Federation Website under contact WBF.

Conservation report given: Nathan Greawin

Nathan reviewed the problem of Forever Chemicals in Castle Rock Lake and Lake Mohawksin. Recent tests of fish samples revealed elevated levels of PFOS which are part of a class of synthetic chemicals that have been tied to Cancer and other health problems. The agencies say people should limit the amount of consumption of bluegill, yellow perch and Black Crappie from Castle Rock to no more than once per week. Additional information can be obtained by searching " Forever chemicals found in fish from Wisconsin River Lakes; anglers warned to limit consumption".

Youth Report given: Theresa Greawin

The Kids Casting program was held at the Madison Fishing Expo, on February 25, 26 & 27th.

Turnout was very good. There were 397 kids that participated, 73 Friday, 195 Saturday, & 129 on Sunday. There have typically been 200-250 participants in the past.

There were a lot of new families and first time participants. Brochures were handed out and participants were given soft plastic lures and candy along with WBF contact information. Thank you to Brovarney Baits, Drastic Plastics and the Rockford Hawg Hunters for donations. A signup sheet had 27 people interested in either joining a fishing club or starting a new fishing club.

Thank you to all clubs that worked with Theresa and Nathan Greawin for making it a successful event.

Next year as an opportunity for improvement there is a plan to get a sign in sheet for Club Participants.

Two Kids from Wisconsin went to the Nationals. They will be invited to the WBF Banquet in January.

Vice President / Tournament Director report: Jeremy Eckes

The tentative dates (pending permit attainment) are shown below:

- Qualifier 1, Winneconne – Waterfront Park, May 7th.
- Qualifier 2, Fox Lake – Dodge County Wisc, May 21st.
- Qualifier 3, Lake Mendota- June 24th
- Open Tournament Madison Chain, (Green Lantern), July 8th
- NSF, Prairie Du Chien, (Pools 9,10,11)- September 23 & 24th.

Old Business: Chad Klein

In the process of getting the trailer wrapped for 2023 season.

New Business: Chad Klein

The High School World Championship will be out of LaCrosse on June 20, 21, & 22nd.

We would like to have more participation of club members at the qualifiers. Please discuss at your club meetings and have your reps bring suggestions to the January meeting.

Election of New Board Members

- VP and Tournament Director: Ryan Blair
- Treasurer: Jim Jones
- Youth Director: Open , the position of Youth Director is still open. Please let Chad Klein know if there is anyone interested in the position. Nathan Greawin will fill in during the Interim until a new Youth Director is elected.

The WBF banquet is being planned at Chula Vista (Wisconsin Dells) on January 7th. There will be no cost for the club members attending the banquet. The reps. meeting and banquet will all be held on January 7th.

New Sponsors: Lews / Strike King are being added for 2023.

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Meeting adjourned by Chad Klein

Al Wych- Secretary