

**Wisconsin Bass Federation Reps Meeting**  
**Cabela's- Sun Prairie, Wisconsin**  
**Date: March 12, 2023**

President Chad Klein called meeting to order.

Roll call taken by Al Wych:

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

Motion to accept Meeting minutes from January 7, 2023 reps meeting, motion 2<sup>nd</sup> and accepted.

Secretary's report given: Al Wych

The club contact list has been updated on the WBF website.

Youth /Conservation projects for 2022 are due. If your club has not sent them in yet please forward them to Al Wych at: [abwych@gmail.com](mailto:abwych@gmail.com). If you have completed your 2023 Youth / Conservation projects you can also turn them in.

Treasurer's report :

A copy of the P&L / Financial information is available by contacting Jim Jones. The contact information is available on the Wisconsin Bass Federation Website under contact WBF.

Conservation report given: Nathan Greawin

A DNR award is possible through the Wisconsin DNR. To try to obtain the award the clubs can write a report of their conservation activities and submit it to the Wisconsin DNR. Additional information is available by contacting Nathan Greawin.

Nathan Greawin has submitted a report to the DNR for the WBF Conservation activities.

Youth Report given: Nathan Greawin

The Kids Casting event was held on February 24-26, 2023 at the Alliant Energy Center during the Madison Fishing Expo. The three day event was coordinated by Nathan Greawin from the Wisconsin Bass Federation.

Special thanks to Drastic Plastics (Scott Monroe) and Brovarney Baits (Dan Brovarney) for providing packets of plastic baits for each of the Kids that participated in the Kids Casting event.

This year there was 401 Kids that participated as compared to 397 in 2022. There were 27 interested anglers that inquired about possibly joining the Wisconsin Bass Federation made up of 22 youths and adult boater / co-anglers.

There are some fishing poles available to use for Kids Casting events. Contact Nathan Greawin for availability.

Vice President / Tournament Director report: Ryan Blair

The 2023 tournament dates are shown below:

- Qualifier 1, Winneconne – Waterfront Park, May 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Qualifier 2, Fox Lake – Dodge County Wisc. May 21<sup>st</sup>. Pre meeting will be held at Boat House Pub.
- Qualifier 3, Lake Mendota- June 24<sup>th</sup> (Pending permit) Location State Park.
- Open Team Tournament Madison Chain, (Green Lantern), July 8<sup>th</sup>
- NSF, Prairie Du Chien, (Pools 9,10,11)- September 23 & 24<sup>th</sup>. Location Washington Street Launch.

The Junior State Championship will be held on June 3<sup>rd</sup> on Buffalo Lake at the Monticello launch.

Old Business: Chad Klein

There was a discussion on how to get more participation at the Qualifying tournaments. A concern was brought up that all three Qualifying tournaments are concentrated before July first. A potential solution was to split this out over two years having two qualifying tournaments before July first and third tournament after July 1<sup>st</sup> from the prior year. No final decision was made on this and it was tabled until the next meeting.

We will qualify an equal number of people from each qualifier as well as through the AOY standings based on 10% of the participation. Based on past years participation, this would mean the top 3 people would qualify from each tournament and the top three in AOY points would qualify as well.

New Business: Chad Klein

Chad reviewed the sponsorship information for 2023. Please contact Chad Kline if interested in any sponsorship incentives for 2023. Some of the sponsors include: TH Marine, Lews / Strike King, Power Pole.

Lakes were picked for the Qualifiers for the next three years and the NSF. Dates to be determined.

### 2024 lakes

- Madison Chain
- Lacrosse Pool 7,8 & 9 (Mississippi River)
- Big Green
- NSF determined by Minnesota Bass Federation

### 2025 lakes

- Lake Delavan
- Buffalo Lake
- Sturgeon Bay
- NSF-Madison Chain (Wisconsin Bass Federation)

### 2026 Lakes

- Lake Puckaway
- Winneconne
- Mississippi Pools 4, 5 & 5a

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Next Reps. meeting, October 2023. Date to be determined.

Meeting adjourned by Chad Klein

Al Wych- Secretary