



NEW YORK B.A.S.S. NATION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES – JANUARY 15, 2016
Bass Pro Shops, 1579 Clark Street Road, Auburn, NY 13021

TIME: Meeting was called to order at 6:22 pm

ATTENDEES: Fred Blom – President
Greg Pavlic – Vice President
Tom Presnell – Secretary
Ken Christie – Treasurer
Brian Eisch – Incoming Vice President
Paul Hudson – Membership Director

OLD BUSINESS:

A motion was made by Ken Christie to approve the December 12, 2015 Executive Committee minutes. All were in favor, motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

- 1) Ken Christie reviewed the current financial report with the Executive Committee.
 - a. Ken indicated that the NYBCF is not generating enough income/funds to counter balance growing expenses.
 - b. End of year showed a loss of \$7,100.00 from the budget, including the Regional Team Deposit.
 - c. The Take A Soldier Fishing Day account shows a +\$1,000.00 balance from last year.
 - d. Scholarships paid out \$1,000.00 of the scholarship account.
 - e. A Noreen Clough conservation scholarship has been established at B.A.S.S. for future college students.
 - f. New financial strains were discussed.
 - i. The cost of participating in a regional has gone up 50% due to increased number of team members.
 - ii. Changes to the young people programs have increased financial burden, including boat captains.
 - iii. Junior and High School championships have become more expensive to become participants.
 - iv. The release boat is in need of some critical repairs for the upcoming season. Funds are needed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) The effort to create a membership drive in 2016 was put into action.
 - a. A recruitment flier was composed by Greg Pavlic and Fred Blom, then graphically laid out by Tom Presnell.
 - b. This flier will be sent to John Stewart at B.A.S.S. to be distributed via email to all registered B.A.S.S. members living in New York with the intention of getting them to become members of the New York B.A.S.S. Nation.
 - c. If New York gains 100 new members, we will be allowed two additional Regional Team slots.
 - d. Fred Blom included an offer to sign up new members for three years at a discounted rate of \$140.
- 2) A new conservation award was brought to the attention of the committee.
 - a. The New York B.A.S.S. Nation will be submitting an application to Berkley Conservation Institute for a \$2,000.00 award.
 - b. This award could possibly help offset the much needed release boat repairs.
- 3) The Junior and High School state championship arrangements are nearly complete.
 - a. The necessary permits have been obtained for the scheduled summer championship events.
- 4) The Executive Committee discussed the plans to transition operations to the incoming officers.
 - a. Each officer briefly explained how they intended to effectively transition.
- 5) No further business was discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm

The minutes are respectfully submitted by Tom Presnell – Outgoing Secretary.