

NEW YORK STATE BASS CHAPTER FEDERATION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

December 1, 2007

Gander Mountain, Cicero, NY

The Executive Committee was called to order by President Pam Bliss at 7 p.m.

Officers present: President/Treasurer Pam Bliss, Vice President Ted Barth, Secretary Susan Good. President Bliss also welcomed Fishlines Editor Tom Presnell and others.

First order of business was to set the Agenda for Sunday's meeting of the Executive Board:

1. Nomination for officers- if there are no multiple nominations, the President may cast one ballot at the January meeting.
2. Banquet Awards- nominations should be to President Bliss by Dec. 21, 2007:
 - a. Federation of the Year
 - b. National Sponsor of the Year
 - c. Club of the Year
 - d. Rosemary Murphy
 - e. Sportsman of the Year
 - f. Conservation Award
 - g. Committee Person of the Year
 - h. Outstanding Service Award
 - i. Youth Award

Six other awards are based on stats.

3. Info from Nationals
 - a. 2008 Divisional at Lake Winnepesauki, Sept. 14-19, 2008
 - b. 2009 Divisional at Lake Simcoe, Orilla, Ontario, July 26-31, 2009
 - c. Bass World Club Champ, July 15-18, 2008, location unknown
 - d. Sponsors Programs- to be updated at the Classic in February 2008
 - 1) Evans Williams- \$250 on product, Pam will send product list to Mike Cusano or will purchase.
 - 2) Purolator- "Cash For Clubs" for Federations, Box top program- \$.50 -\$6.00 refunds for Purolator/ Bosch products from Feb.1, 2008- Sept.30, 2008
 - Recommended as fundraiser for Youth Fed.
 - 3) Ramada- 10% discount worldwide for members by calling the 800 number or using www.ramada.com/BASS to make reservations; also willing to sponsor meetings/banquets
 - 4) Longhorn Tobacco- program unknown
 - 5) Alliance Program- Triton/Mercury/Lowrance/MotorGuide- new program must be signed by 12/15/07
 - 6) Skeeter- program unknown but promised to be "no less" than previous
 - 7) Lowrance- discounts to Fed. members and State team members as well as sponsored product.
 - e. 2008 National Federation Championship- Milford Lake, Kansas, Nov.3-8, 2008
 - f. BASS discussion of Divisionals- Presidents recommended stay as is.
 - g. Tournament rule discussion
 - 1) 2nd alternate is President of designee who is there principally to attend meetings
 - 2) World Club Champ team will fish together/ will be using polygraph
 - 3) State Team qualifiers cannot come from "buddy" tournaments.
 - h. BASS on-line roster system is updated.
 - i. BASS updates insurance January 1 of each year only on registered clubs. **Get your club registered before January 1, 2008.**
 - j. BASS recommends bringing college fishing clubs into federation membership. Pam requested list of colleges with clubs in New York- not yet received.
 - k. Future Fishermen Foundation has grants for Phys. Ed. Teachers in elementary – high school. Paperwork available on-line at www.futurefisherman.org or by calling Anne Danielski at 703-579-9691, ext.259
 - l. Toyota "Drive the Nation" program is potentially returning- more info at Classic

m. BASS is using a fulfillment company so re-supply takes longer. **Get requests for Casting Kids in early!**

4. Updates from Directors
5. Recommended- purchase of second scale with case
6. Fish-care Trailer- some items missing, some replacements needed, need manual back-up weigh system, some items need maintenance. Pam and Scott will manage and then turn over to new Tournament Director.
7. Fishlines/Tom Presnell- Future possibility of color ads, need to increase rates for advertisers (15%), need contract form for advertisers (Kerry Rice is working on development). Possible “finders fee” for leads to advertisers to Tom.
8. Extra product from sponsors- Participation Award, Angler of the Year, use at Silent Auction at Banquet. Items include 3 trolling motors, 2 chargers, handheld GPS, turquoise jewelry.
9. Received Lowrance Federation Award of \$1500 for “book” submitted by Pam.
10. Membership and Tournament Entry forms need to be updated. Tom Presnell volunteered as soon as new personnel are in place.
11. Via phone call, Pat Ryan requests to be removed as nominee for Treasurer.
12. Possible postcard campaign to recruit BASS members to NY Fed.

Adjourned 9p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Susan Good

Secretary