Minutes of the NY BASS Chapter Federation Executive Committee Meeting

Date: Fri, Dec 2, 2011

Location: Bass Pro Shop, Auburn, NY

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mike Cusano, President

Lori Haney, Secretary Kathy Bonanno, Treasurer Pam Bliss, Past President Burnie Haney, Public Relations

Jeff Edgarton, Tournaments/Membership

Scott Bliss, Election Committee

1. Report from Election Committee: Scott reported that four individuals have accepted nomination for office. President: Chuck Rowlee, Vice President: Fred Blom, Secretary: Lori Haney, Treasurer: Kathy Bonanno. This slate will be presented at the Executive Board meeting and the floor will be opened for additional nominees.

2. Membership Committee:

- Jeff Edgarton said the mailing address for BASS has changed, however, the B.A.S.S. Fed Nation Membership dues should still be going to the BASS FEDERATION NATION; PO BOX 420235, PALM COAST, FL 32142-0235 address until such time as B.A.S.S. changes it...
- There has been an issue with members in Canada not being able to receive Fishlines through the mail. We will make sure that this is addressed and the proper postage is applied.
- One club did not get a few of their NYBCF state level member dues submitted in time for those anglers to be eligible for CTC.
- 3. Youth: Mickey not present, report tomorrow.
- 4. Scholarship: Dom not present but advised President that there will likely be two awardees.
- 5. Treasurer:
- Kathy provided current budget report. There is a net loss of just under \$4000, but that will be offset by the recoup of grant monies from use of the conservation vessel. There will also be additional opportunities for grant/funding monies in 2012.
- Treasurer was asked to identify all people who should receive 1099's and provide to President and Membership chair by Dec 15th so personal information (ssn, etc.) can be confirmed.

6) Tournaments:

- 2012 dates will be discussed with incoming president so that we can move forward to finalize the schedule (3 points tournaments, 1 CTC.) President will work the contracts/locations now and present to the incoming president on Jan 21st for review and signature.

- Bid sheets are out. Cayuga, Clayton, Ogdensburg, and Massena are posting bids.
- NY will host the Divisional tournament in 2014.
- Team E Outdoors is working on completing their shows of the 2011 NYBCF tournament season and we are holding final payment until delivery. They will inform us of the shows air dates and also are expecting to produce a 2011 NYBCF compilation DVD that will be for sale. As information is presented it will be forwarded to membership.
- 7. VP Report: Chris Flint, not present no report.
- 8. Conservation: Barb Elliott not present, report tomorrow.
- 9. Public Relations: Burnie still needs information from divisional team to do the story. He will post a reminder on the message board and bring it up at meeting tomorrow.
- 10. Fishlines/Marketing: Tom not present, but Mike relayed that Tom has found a better deal which will mean a substantial savings in printing Fishlines.
- 11. Sponsor Programs:
- Alliance Program must be signed by Dec 16th, Mike will sign and then transfer to new president.
- Berkley/Pure Fishing Program for 2012 to be emailed to presidents, there may be some new limitations.
- Humminbird / Minnkota will provide information to incoming president after Jan 21st.
- Additional potential programs are being investigated and Bass Pro Shops are checking with corporate headquarters to determine what programs they may be interested in supporting.

12. President:

- Take a Soldier Fishing day will be 28 Apr at Oneida Shores.
- Banquet is Jan 21st, Springside Inn. Cost is \$25. Executive Committee and committee chairs will be guests of federation, spouse/guest pays \$25. RSVP date is Jan 6.
- Awards: One nomination received and agreed on for Rosemary Murphy Award. Mike and Jeff will receive the nomination info/packet and coordinate. Scott will have the plate engraved and bring perpetual plaque to the Jan meeting.
 - One nomination for Sportsman of Year received and agreed on.
 - One nomination for Sponsor of Year received and agreed on.
- Two nominations were received for Club of the Year. The committee discussed options for recognizing the value and effort that each represents. Burnie will forward the packets to EC and offer a recommendation as to the award category that best fits each nomination packet as provided.
 - It was noted that Presidents Awards can be given for special acts.

No further business, meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.