

Texas B.A.S.S. Nation

Meeting Minutes

June 25, 2016, 9:00 AM

Type of Meeting: 2rd Quarter Board-of-Directors Meeting (In Person)

- I. Call to Order – Cecil called the meeting to order at 9:11am
- II. Roll Call - Directors: Bob Buchanan, Daniel Davis, Elton Brock, Jason Geezey, Kris Cartrite, Larry Nors. Officers: Cecil Carter, Melissa Carter, Nick Carroccio, Randy Brudnicki, Tim Cook
- III. Approval of Minutes - Motion to accept both sets of minutes made by Bob and seconded by Larry. All approved, motion passes.
- IV. Financial Report by Cecil Carter – Cecil reviewed Balance and Profit & Loss reports. Larry motioned to approve the financial with a second by Bob. Five approved, Elton did not vote. Motion passes.
- V. Conservation Report by Tim Cook – Attended National Conservation Summit, good meeting and networking. Tim has great working relationships with current Texas Parks and Wildlife staff so if have questions or wish to coordinate on projects please contact Tim. Tim also handed out Mossback info regarding artificial structure programs. Tim will put info on the state website regarding sponsorship by clubs and how clubs gain points thru participation in structure projects. Jason asked for more education about fish care at tournaments to prevent fish death. Tim has tip cards that directors can distribute to anglers. Jason suggested giving each region one big trough. Tim has no qualms with spending his conservation budget funds to be spent on fish care systems. Elton asked Tim to put links that BASS has on their website onto the State website to help educate. Tim requests something in writing regarding our nonprofit status to ensure his is not crossing any lines when he is advocating for Texas B.A.S.S.
- VI. Youth & High School Report by Cecil Carter for Pete Bruener – Cecil read Pete Bruener's email (*attached*)
- VII. Team Trail Committee Report by Elton Brock – Brought book for anyone to look at. held 4 tournaments. 36 teams qualified for championship.
- VIII. New Business

- a. **Adoption of Roberts Rules of Order** for any and all Texas B.A.S.S. Nation Meeting this includes committee meetings. Motion was made by Jason to add Roberts rules of order to bylaws, no second so motion died. Daniel made motion to table this agenda item until all board members receive print copies of latest edition to review; Larry seconded motion, all approved, motion passes. Cecil stated the State will purchase these and distribute.
- b. **State Championship** – Discussion regarding different times of year due to changes at the National level and lakes. Falcon was put up for the catch up state championship and the date of February 2017. All attendees agreed this would be best on such short notice. Elton offered to speak with Chad Potts to see what BassChamps is doing so as not to be on the lake at the same time. Larry will check on the Falcon availability for tournament and the pavilion usage fees/reservations. Once these dates are confirmed it will be announced to the board for dissemination. Cecil requested everyone to send lakes they want to be included in possibility for State Championship tournament along with the chamber email and contact. Once received Cecil will send out RFP's.
- Elton made motion to hold the regular State Championship sometime in October-November. Bob requested a friendly amendment to extend that time frame to include the first week of December, Elton agreed and made amended motion to hold regular State Championship between October-first week of December. Daniel seconded the motion. All approved, motion passes.
 - Tournament Days- Motion to set State Championship tournament days as Friday & Saturday made by Larry and seconded by Jason. All approve, motion passes.
 - Off-Limits – Motion to not have an off-limits for State Championship made by Bob and seconded by Larry. All approve, motion passes.
- c. **Nominations for State President** – Cecil stated that he will not run for another term so will need to have nominations. Cecil reviewed article 5 of the by-laws regarding the requirements to be State President. Cecil requested nominations to be submitted by end of July. Jason asked that the nominees present themselves at the upcoming State Presidents meeting in August either the 13th or the 27th. Elton is checking with the VFW in Belton. He put a call into them and should know the exact date by this coming Monday and will let everyone know.
- d. **Election of Regional Directors** – Jim Simpson resigned as regional director for Panhandle region. They held an election and Kris Cartrite

was elected to finish out the remaining time on this term. Cecil reminded all that this is the year for Southeast, Panhandle and West to hold elections by the third quarter and report results to him.

- e. **Regional Championships** – Panhandle and West holding separate championships. Discussion on this was moved to old business B on agenda.
- f. **Participant Insurance and Signed Release** - Discussed the requirements of proof of individual insurance at 300,000 and documentation of either a written signed waiver or electronic acknowledgement (even though B.A.S.S. would prefer written)
- g. **B.A.S.S. Insurance Request Certificate** – Cecil will email this form to all directors, it is up to each of them to complete and submit to B.A.S.S.
- h. **HUK discounts** – Cecil added this as an agenda item. State has 200 orders available and Conservation has 200 orders available. All HUK products are 50% off. Cecil requested that all the club orders go thru him so he can watch the inventory levels since HUK did not anticipate the demand and have run out of inventory quickly on most items. Cecil also instituted a cutoff date of October 1st to give him time to work out any continuing issues with inventory. It also allows him to aggregate orders for multiples of the same items.

IX. Old Business

a. **Collection of monies from each Region**

This \$400 is for region support for the entry fee for the 2016 B.A.S.S. Central Regional. State has yet to receive the \$400 from the North Central or Northeast Regions. Jason will mail check once he has his own account set up and Elton did not pay because his members did not know what that money was to be used for. Explanation regarding the support the State offers the Central-National-Classic qualifiers was given again. It was agreed that a brief summary will be placed on the state website, Elton offered to write it up and send to Cecil for publishing on the state website. Kris made a motion to look at the State's financial status to determine if any additional support for Top 20 anglers after the fact. This determination is to be made during the 4th quarter board meeting. Larry seconded the motion. All approved, motion passes.

- b. **Changes to how region tournament trail anglers qualify for the State Team** - Discussion ensued regarding qualifying trails and that Panhandle and West will hold their own region championships. Jason made motion for have the 6 regions send their top boater and non-boater to the state team with the remaining 8 slots coming from the Top 6 Championship, Elton made a friendly amendment to add that a max of 2 at this tournament from one region. Kris seconded to include the friendly amendment. All approved, motion passes.

- c. **Adoption of new rules.**

These rules are for the region championships and State Championship that qualify anglers to be on the Texas B.A.S.S. Nation State Team. I'm including the B.A.S.S. rule changes that anglers will be following at the new Central Region championship for 2016. This can be a base for our rules if need be. The main concern is for every Texas B.A.S.S. Nation region trail to follow the same set of rules and qualification requirements. Larry made motion to table this item till next board meeting with Jason seconding. All approved, motion passes. Cecil will re-email the tournament rules for regional championship so everyone has time to read over and make suggestion before adopting and implementing statewide.

- X. Schedule Next Board Meeting – This meeting will be held after the State Presidents meeting in August.
- XI. Adjournment – Elton motioned to adjourn meeting, Larry seconded. Meeting adjourned at 2:01pm.

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Cecil I will not be able to attend.

Youth/ High School update: Sending three HS teams to Nationals, 2 from State Championship and open from the Toledo Open. One Youth team from Douglass will also be going to Youth Nationals.

Next years plan is to start a Texas HS Nation series with six tournament. This will help us qualify more teams for National and hopefully increase our membership. Currently working on dates, and lakes. Hopefully can get other regions to start their own series. And questions please let me know. Looks like you have enough on your plate with the rest of the State. Pete