

February 25, 2010 Sportsmen Bassmasters Meeting Minutes



Members Present:

Jim Battin Mickey Goetting Howard Gilles Paul Becka Ron Grav Andy Thies Craig Belbeck Eric Hauge Dale Richardson Jim Boettcher Bill Young Bill Rineveld Dan Bonneson Brent Schwab Matt Hitzeman Mike Breuer Dave Huttner Craig Strom Doug Thies Mike Owens Dennis Ellingson Mike D'Aloia Carey Nordling Tyler Larsen Chris Glaze John Nugent Terry Aten Phil Burton Jeff Hoberg

President (Jim Battin):

- Tom Revard and Cory Vance came to their first meeting.
- Thanks to everyone, especially Bill Y., for working on the banquet.
- Sportsmen show coming up soon. Signups are still available for Saturday.
 We'll go over the schedule at the next meeting.
- Reminder The Federation is hosting a Casting Kids event at Cabela's in Rogers the weekend of March 6th and 7th. Volunteers are needed to help with the event. 8 or 10 members expressed interest in helping so Jim will coordinate with Paul Perovich for our club to work the morning shift on Sunday the 7th. Those that help will be able to receive the "employee" discount on that day. Contact Jim if you are interested.
- Chris G. has 6 people signed up for a Cabin Fever event in Victoria on March 13th. Chris is looking for Boy Scout contacts to get some more people to come and is putting out some flyers out in the area.
- Guest Mike McInerny from the DNR is giving a presentation on our bass creel survey.

VP's / TD (Mike D'Aloia):

- Mike says we have the minimum 6 people of needed for TBF. You can still join if you want. First tourney is Forest Lake.
- Mike got half of our tourney permits back, waiting on the other half.
- Dan has enough people committed to the Vermillion trip. Please contact him if you'd still like in on the room discount at the casino.

Secretary/Treasurer (Dave Huttner): Not Present

- Balance is \$3,192.97 at Wells.
- Current paid members stands at 29. I still need dues from Dennis Ellingson. Andy paid his dues at the banquet.
- The following people owe the club \$10 yet due to the Fed increase and/or big bass: Howie \$10, Chris \$10.
- We raised \$760 from the banquet's raffle.
- Wrote a check to Fong's for \$900 for the banquet food and everyone has paid me for their meals.
- Wrote a check to the Trophy House for \$269.74.
- Wrote a check to Ron Grav for \$100 the women's prize at the banquet.
- Dave will fine or put together club application sheet to hand out to new members.

Internet Director (Mickey Goetting):

Mickey put some YouTube videos of Minnetonka on our website.

Special Projects (Bill Young): Not present

Data Director (Mickey Goetting):

Nothing to report.

Federation Rep (Bill R.):

We are voting for tournament waters for next year tonight.

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Education (Howie G):

DNR presentation by Mike M. and Dale talking about Pokegama tourney.

Conservation Director (Matt H.):

 Matt did some calling about helping with sampling and electroshocking for the club. Nothing is available yet and not sure if the DNR wants us to help or not.

Youth Director (Brent S.): Not present

Casting for Kids at Cabela's Rogers. Need to be there by 8:30 AM.

Old Business:

- Mike D. is going to check out the other scale we have to see if it will do for the tourneys this year. Several expressed interest that we have a scale that goes to the 100ths place.
- Dave will get 8 Gator Grip bags from online website for this year's tourneys.

New Business:

- Whitefish Chain voted in as our club's choice for next year's TOC over the Mississippi River.
- Mike needs proof of boat insurance \$300,000 BEFORE our first tourney.
 Please get this too him.
- Our by-laws have a limit of 30 members. It was discussed about increasing this. We counted 18 people that are currently as possible

- boaters. It was voted that a small increased was acceptable. Jim will put something together on this for next meeting.
- An issue was raised with people having to be involuntary non-boaters. It was discussed to see what people thought about this. This was voted down. We also talked about chaining the rule that if you get chosen as a involuntary non-boater, no matter if you end up being a boater or non-boater by any unforeseen circumstances, you would not be put in the involuntary non-boater again. Jim will double-check on this.

Next Meeting: March 25th, 7:00 pm, David Fongs.