



March 22nd, 2007 Sportsmen Bassmasters Meeting Minutes



Members Present:

Jim Battin

Paul Becka

Craig Belbeck

Pat Bisek

Rusty Bisek

~~Jim Boettcher~~

Dan Bonneson

Mike Breuer

~~Chris Glaze~~

Mickey Goetting

Ron Grav

~~Rory Gunderson~~

~~Eric Hauge~~

Rick Hill

Matt Hitzeman

Carey Nordling

Mike Owens

Mary Purdue

Dale Richardson

Bill Rineveld

Dave Saterbak

Todd Saterbak

~~Brent Schwab~~

Doug Thies

Bill Young

20 Members Present

Guest(s): Todd Martin, Dave Huttner, John Kline

President's Report (Paul B.):

- MIA Members: Could not get in touch with Andy Martin, Gary Francis will not be re-joining the club
- The Northwest Sports Show is March 27th - April 1st this year. Sportsmen are responsible for booth duty on Sunday, April 1st.
- Partners will be drawn for 1st tournament at the next meeting. Hotel arrangements will also be discussed.

VP's / TD's Report (Pat B.):

- Permits being gathered for this years tournaments (minus Mystery and State '08 waters)
- If you will not be at the next meeting let Pat know if you desire to be a boater or a non-boater. Do not wait till the day of the meeting!! No Response = Non-Boater
- Pat attended the Federation Weigh-Master training last weekend
- Club tournament rules were reviewed.
- Show Pat or Mickey your boat insurance by the next meeting if you intend to use your boat in a club tournament. Liability insurance requirements are \$100K.
- A statement will be added to the club's tournament rules regarding timeliness requirements for ease-offs.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report (Mary P.):

- Club membership stands at 25.
 - BASS Registration completed for all but:
 - Jim Battin - Primary Club (Bass Rangers) has not yet claimed him
 - Dave Saterbak - No BASS member number (rec'd 108210574)
 - MN Bass Federation Registration completed for all but:
 - Rick Hill - waiting to receive club dues (rec'd at March meeting)
- Account balance is \$ 1051.40
 - Transactions since February Meeting:
 - Deposit of \$ 731.13 made on 3/9/07 (club dues, banquet meals, banquet raffle proceeds)
 - Check to Trophy House (\$386.17) for end-of-year trophies and individual tournament plaques for 2007
 - Check to BASS (\$80) for dues for 4 members
 - Check to MN Bass Fed (\$200) for dues for 4 members

Internet Director (Mickey G.):

- Creel surveys are set-up on our website for this year's tournaments. Contact Mickey if you need your log-in information.

Special Projects (Jim B.):

- Nothing to report

Data Director (Mickey G.):

- Advise Mickey of any discrepancies in stats info

Federation Rep (Mike B. – Presented by Mickey):

- 29 Clubs are current with a total Federation membership of 284.
- Lowrance contract is signed. For pricing info contact Rich Lindgren with the model numbers.
- Skeeter Boat Auction - bid on the MNBF website along with other info. Bidding ends April 1st at 9 pm.
- 2008 TOC Nominations:
 - Mississippi River Pools 4 and 5
 - Horseshoe Chain (does not qualify due to minimum acreage requirements - would have to be a split tournament with another area lake such as Clearwater)
 - Whitefish Chain
- Federation Meeting Minutes can be found at <http://www.mnbf.org/membership/meetings.html>

Education (Dale R.):

- Pat presented on the Weigh-Master program training he received.

Conservation Director (Matt H.):

- Matt will be helping Mickey this year with "policing" the completion of creel surveys

Youth Director (Brent S.)

- Not Present - No Report

Old Business:

- Rory has gathered info for Brindley's Harbor - Accommodations for the 2007 TOC (Leech Lake)
 - The deposit to hold the cabin for the week is \$700
 - The club will cover \$300 towards the deposit
 - 5 members are currently planning to attend and will pay \$80 each towards the deposit (Dale pd)
 - The club will send a check for the total deposit ASAP

New Business:

- Midwest Sports Show booth sign-up sheet was distributed
- Club Priorities for 2008 TOC:
 - MS River Pools 4 & 5
 - Whitefish
 - Horseshoe / ?? - Split Tourney
- Weighing big bass @ club tourneys was discussed. Tabled till a later date.
- Discussed points not being credited to tourney participants until creel surveys are completed. Tabled till a later date.
- New members voted in: Todd Martin and Dave Huttner. Welcome!!

Next Meeting: April 26th, 7:00 pm, David Fongs.