

# NEW HAMPSHIRE BASS FEDERATION

AN AFFILIATE OF TBF/FLW - PARTNERS IN FISHING

## March 28th 2017 FACE-TO-FACE MEETING MINUTES

**Meeting called to order: 7:00PM**

### **Attendance:**

Breakaway Bass-Present	Monadnock Bass-Present
Castaway Bass- Present	NH Bass Casters-Present
Contoocook Valley- Present	NH Bass Hunters-Present
First Cast-Present	NH Bass Assassin's-Present
Grass Roots-Absent	NH Mystic Valley Bass Anglers-Present
	SNH Bass-Present

### **Treasurers Report: Dave Duffy**

- Review of General Operating Account & State Team Account.
  - No activity in the General Operating Account for the month of March 2017, so the balance I provided on 2/28 is the same.
  - The State Team Account had one transaction for March 2017 and that was to reimburse Justin for \$229 for the upgraded scale software to version 7 and the remote hub for the scale to talk to the computer wirelessly.

### **Vice Presidents Report: Justin Brigham**

- Nominations for President and Secretary
  - Killian Kilroy nominated for Secretary - (10 out of 11 Club Presidents present with all 10 Club Presidents voting yes)
  - Joshua Ledbetter nominated for President - (10 out of 11 Club Presidents present with all 10 Club Presidents voting yes)
- Details on how new computer & software will expedite weigh-in process.
- New Trokar Team of the year explained
  - **Who can qualify?**
    - The 2017 TOY is open to all teams that compete in our opens.

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- **My original partner can't fish an open, can I use a substitute partner?**
  - You cannot substitute a partner during an event and apply these points to a different team.
- **What are the payout based off of?**
  - The cash payout above for the top 3 teams is based off 100 team entries across all three opens
- **What if there are more than 100 team entries?**
  - Payouts will be adjusted the more teams that enter the more 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place will receive.

## **Tournament Director: Matt Razey**

- New weigh-in process explained with the use of mesh weigh-in bags to improve fish health and expedite weigh-in process.
- Ultimate goal of running well organized professionally run tournaments
- Discussion of fundraising calendars to be used to raise money

## **Assistant Tournament Director: Shane Hutchings**

- Volunteers needed from each club to facilitate well run tournaments now that there is no more State Team who traditionally helped out with running tournaments.
- Sign-up sheet created for each club President to sign up volunteers from there club for various tournament's.

## **Conservations Report: Dick Smith – *Member of the NH PUBLIC WATER ACCESS ADVISORY BOARD***

- A detailed PWAAB Matrix was provided to all members in attendance. If anyone would like a copy of info provided contact me via email and I will send it to you. You can find most information at the link below:
  - <http://www.wildlife.state.nh.us/access/pwaab.html>
- Dick reviewed the Matrix and discussed the challenges to include the cost of public water access for anglers.

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## **Youth Directors Report: Evan Roberts**

- Provided details and explanation of youth programs. View link below for detailed information:
  - [http://nhbassfederation.com/?page\\_id=7](http://nhbassfederation.com/?page_id=7)

## **Presidents Report:**

### *Old Business*

- Schedule for 2017 tournaments
- April 15<sup>th</sup> deadline to become federated
- Trophy and plaques for tournaments
- New format adopted to distribute VIP discounts (Format email to all NH Federated members)
- Sponsor discount codes release to all federated members.(Emailed to all NH Federated members)
- Due to new format adopted by TBF our by-laws have to be modified and updated. This will be completed no later than June 30<sup>th</sup> 2017 and released to NH Federated members.
- New equipment will be purchased over the next couple of months to facilitate professionally run tournaments. (Sink, Megaphone, two way radios, Mesh bags)
- Capital improvement plan – New wrap on trailer
- Trophies will be given out at each event to winning teams as well as plaques for lunker largie and lunker smaillie. Unique trophy to be given out to winning team at Mike Mac Open.
- Each club president is expected to have at least one club representative at each monthly meeting in an effort to improve communications. In order to qualify for VIP discounts for 2018 via the Presidents random draw 100% attendance is required at all monthly meeting by a club representative as of March 28<sup>th</sup> 2017.

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- Each club President will be asked to provide one volunteer to help out at each event to facilitate efficient and professionally run tournaments. We no longer have a state team to help out at tournaments. This is where the success our tournaments will depend on participation from our club presidents and our NH Federated members.

## *New Business*

- 2017 Lake Okeechobee Classic
- WAM – Spring Open
- End of the year banquet
- Lodging for Ticonderoga
- Lowrance unit coming from national office – Possible fund raiser/raffle

## **General Comments: Questions & Answers from the Body**

Next Meeting: April 25<sup>th</sup> 7pm via phone conference

Meeting Adjourned: 9 PM