

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
MISSOURI B.A.S.S. FEDERATION NATION

The meeting on April 29, 2017 held at Pomme Shriner's Club in Hermitage, Mo. The meeting was called to order by President, Jim Zieger. John Blankenkemper called roll with 23 clubs present. Minutes from the September meeting were presented by vice president, John Blankenkemper for secretary, Kathy Blankenkemper, and a motion was made by Mo-Kan with a second by Benton County Mo Bass to approve the minutes as read. Motion passed. Financial report was given by treasurer, Greg Voss. Motion was made by Pomme Bass Masters and second by Backlashers of KC to approve the financial report. Motion passed.

Jim Zieger presented information about the computer and scale upgrade and the possibility of internet posting after tournaments each evening. Three laptops will be \$3800.00 and will configuration with the scales. Also, advised that if we have a combined membership of 685 adult, youth and college, dependent on reaching certain levels of each, we may be able to have an extra team at the Nationals. The newspaper is in the final stages of being printed due to waiting for the divisional results.

Mark Cowart, sponsorship director, gave a report on National and State sponsors. Nothing has changed on National since the Classic. We will receive a donation from Culprit and Live Target for the state tournament. Razor Rods is still a sponsor. ThMarine offers a 50% discount and must pool order thru the president – three orders per year. Cliff Mosley is the ThMarine contact for Missouri.

Bill Lewis discussed the 2017 MoBass Raffle. Raffle price is \$10 each or 6 for \$50. Drawing will be for a Ruger AR-15 5.56 caliber or Glock pistol. Winner will be required to complete legal paperwork. The goal for the state is 300 tickets and balance can be sold to others. The money collected will go for attendance prizes at the state tournament.

The National Triton boat fund raiser is available again this year with a \$1000.00 off on motor and the state making \$3000.00 if sold. Also, we need the names of persons buying a Triton for MoBass to get rebate.

Sid Stephens presented a bid of \$380.00 for 300 patches instead of stick on decals at a cost of 1.18 each. It was discussed to do a generic Missouri patch. Motion made by Mexico and a second by Heartland to do a generic Missouri patch. This will be voted on at the next meeting.

Randy James presented the 2017 State Tournament. It will be October 27 to 29 with the Friday meeting at the Warsaw Community building and it will go out of Sterrett Creek. Meeting for the Captain's check-in will be at the Restaurant at Sterrett Creek on Thursday night. Sterrett Creek will furnish a crew to direct traffic and collect ramp fees. Randy James asked for motion to rent a release boat and was advised to go ahead as this was necessary for fish care at the tournament.

John Blankenkemper discussed the 2017 Central Regionals. Missouri took first place and won the boat certificate. Mo Bass wants to thank John and Kathy Blankenkemper, and all of the volunteers for their service during not only the state divisionals but also the College and High School Tournaments held the week before. Discussion was held about the Triton boat certificate with concerns about taxes involved with the resale of the boat. Motion was made by Mexico and second by MoKan to allow President Jim Zieger to sell the boat for the best price. Motion passed. Jim is going to send an email to team members to discuss how to split up the proceeds from the sale of the boat. Discussion was tabled until the June meeting.

There are 29 entries so far for the Spring Fling and entries will be accepted at the marina before take off at 0700. Summer Sizzler will go out of Long Shoal on June 11, 2017 with the director's meeting at the Warsaw Ambulance base on Saturday June 10, 2017. The September meeting will be at the Methodist Church in Hermitage and for a donation the Church Men's Club will prepare breakfast.

Susan Egan youth director and Robert Troumbley conservation director were not able to attend and will give a report at the next meeting.

Vote was held on previous motion made by Leavenworth with a second by Mo/Kan to change big bass pot so Pros and Ams each have a chance thru their division. Motion passed. Vote was held on previous motion made by Leavenworth with a second by Benton County to use total average weight per man for a traveling trophy. Motion passed with 13 for and 10 against. Vote was held on previous motion by Leavenworth with a second by Camdenton Castaways to have a free entry based on average weight per man for the number of people on the team when won. Motion failed with 13 against and 10 for. Camdenton Castaways made a motion with a second by Benton County to allow a free entry for up to an eight man team based on average weight per man. Motion passed with 18 in favor and 5 against.

Motion to adjourn was made by St Louis Area with a second by Backlashers of KC. Motion passed.