

Colorado BASS Federation
2nd Qtr. Board Meeting
March 21, 2009

- President Jay McMillan convened meeting at 1:30 pm
- Quorum was established with representatives from DBM, Centl BM, MHBP, PPBM, & RMBM
- **Secretary's Report :**
 - 1Qtr 2009 Report was accepted as published on line.
- **Treasurer's Report:**
 - Larry Krueger presented the current report - please see separate report for complete details
 - Highlights of the report include:
 - Slow time as dues not totally reflected
 - Total Cash Balance
 - General Fund balance was \$34,328.15
 - 2009 State Team balance was \$10,009.88 (after split and expenses)
 - Motion was made and second to approve the Treasurer's Report.
- **Federation Presidents' Meeting (Classic Meeting)**
 - Mike Hubbard represented Colorado at the meeting
 - Sponsors – Advance Auto and Lowrance did not present. Skeeter announced it was changing its discount program. Triton is focusing on Federation level. Mercury same as last year.
 - Big Bass payout is being eliminated in the Opens and Divisional
 - Divisional – Skeeter boat payout will be maintained, cash payout eliminated and the events will be streamed live via internet
 - Side Pot - handled by the States and not BASS, was discussed by the Western States
 - If all states participated - \$1200 to hosting state (host state gets \$200 to do 1099), 2nd \$5000, 3rd \$2500, 4th \$2000, 5th \$1500, 6th \$1000, 7th \$500
 - CBF decided that this is a state team decision
 - Voted State is not going to participate in Side Pot
 - Nationals – more information will be presented at President's meeting as eliminating meeting at Classic
 - Annual Dues – BASS will raising dues next year
- **Conservation Director's Report**
 - Todd Gentzel provided a readout from BASS Conservation Meeting
 - If Clubs unite, we can do more projects and get additional dollars
 - Fish America Foundation will assist on completing forms and obtaining additional matching funds (including volunteer hours – considered as “in kind”)
 - Federal funds cannot be matched with other Federal funds
 - “In kind” goes toward percentage club has to put in (labor)
 - WWW.fishamerica.org – organized at top level and need to go through Todd
 - Grant dollars available twice a year and response should be received within two to three months
 - National Association of Sportsman's – bass fishing is one of the few groups not communicating with this association – need a voice. Todd is in contact with this group.
 - Tournament care – fizzy fish
 - Canada won award
 - Small and Spots – recommend not going through mouth as an artery in mouth can kill fish; better to use pectoral fin
 - BASS has new needle with two settings
 - Fizz fish in water
 - Mike Hubbard will have new needles for tournament
 - Aerator pump – recommend modifications be made to some live wells to bring in more air
 - BASS is addressing fresh water access at the national level

- Grand Lake – OK conservation director is asking that fish not be released at weigh-in docks as little oxygen in water. Need to take fish about 100 yards outside of opening and release fish.
- Todd handed out fish care cards on how to keep bass alive (also recommended not to use ice in live wells)

• **Youth Director's Report:**

- Joe Laverly was not present to report
- Others provided updates
 - CO Casting Kids not going to Divisionals – there will be a small group (carry-over from prior years) at Divisional.
 - Divisional – Friday is Jr. Bassmaster tournament
 - April 18 – tournament at Donovan's Pond
 - State Funding:
 - Money allocated (\$500 historically) for Casting Kids needs to be reallocated
 - Youth expense was \$2500 in 2008 – should youths pay a State Due – Clubs need to discuss (maybe \$7 to \$10 per youth). CBC indicated that their youth pay a membership fee.
 - State only funds the state championship
 - Jr. Bassmasters – funding requirements with BASS format changes
 - Decided this will be a year by year decision based BASS format changes and location.
 - Motion made and approved for \$600 for each of the two Jr. Bassmasters going to divisional in WA
 - Motion made and approved to allocate at least \$1500 for championships
 - Motion made and approved to have embroidery clothing made for the youths

• **Tournament Director's Report:**

- Mike Hubbard reported the following for the 2009 STQT
 - Grand Lake with Martin's Landing as the host (week of June 8, 2009)
 - Registration is on-line
 - Martin Landing host hotel
 - Need to purchase 10 bags, fizzer for weigh-in, and key bobbers for boat numbers – monies will come from entry fees
 - Procedures will be reviewed at registration meeting – keep same as past
 - For fish care – will only use 5 weigh-in bags at a time
 - Extra day of pre-fish – Sunday is allow but not allow to fish another tournament and is not an official practice day but should follow normal tournament rules (not on permit).
 - Motion was made to change Sunday to official practice day and was approved; however, it was identified that this was a rule change and needed to be discussed at 3rd quarter meeting
 - Mike will have a VHF radio for contact and will use team captains to manage issues.
 - TD has the power to make rule calls, including safety related items (lightning)

• **President's Report:**

- Jay discussed the following items
 - Lowrance has not responded to Federation / BASS on product issues
 - Berkley working administration of discount program to Federation (30%)
- Next CBF meeting is scheduled for August 2009 (third Saturday of month) hosted by Southwest Bassmasters
- Motion was made and second to adjourn the meeting at 3:20 pm