



Region Seven Officers

BFN Director: Sid Ryan
Tournament Dir: ~~Brian Briesemeister~~
Asst. Tournament Dir: Kevin Massie
Secretary/Treasurer: Susan Owens
BFN Youth Directors: Richard Woods/~~Victor Spence~~

Minutes of the Aug 26, 2020 President's meeting 7:00 PM at The Glass Baron

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

All Chapters were represented.

MINUTES:

Minutes from the last meeting were read, motioned to approve and seconded. None opposed.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer's report was read, motioned to approved and seconded. None opposed.

STATE NEWS:

There were several important matters discussed at the VBN state board meeting today:

- Proposed VBN state dues increase. **Sid will need each club's input by Sept. 9th Region meeting.**
 - Increase to \$50.00 annually per member. Sid explained that sending the state team averages about \$14k - \$15k. The State Team's time frame is Jan-Mar for our Regional. Mike Bryant's concern is with sponsors and overall expenses for Virginia across the board. The increase in state dues is to help offset expenses for the State Team.
 - Eliminated sale of Lucky Lotto raffle tickets
 - **NO INCREASE will be implemented without input from ALL Clubs/Regions**
- 2020 Fall Classic Tournament Info
 - Kerr Reservoir – Occoneechee State Park
 - October 3 – October 4, 2020
- VBN State Championship Location/Date. This was changed from the Chick on Nov 8/9 due to Williamsburg still being in Phase 2 of Covid restrictions therefore permits could not be obtained.
 - Lake Gaston – Holly Grove Marina
 - October 31 – November 1, 2020
 - Region 7 currently has 6 teams already qualified.
- Proposed (tentative) 2021 VBN Tournament Dates
 - SPRING Qualifier
 - March 13-14, 2021
 - Lake Gaston – Holly Grove
 - SUMMER Qualifier
 - May 1-2, 2021
 - Kerr Reservoir – Occoneechee
 - FALL Classic. For those teams whose entry is not being paid by the region, in order to “pay your own way”, you must pay your region dues to be in good standing. \$10/person.
 - October 2-3, 2021
 - Kerr Reservoir – Occoneechee
 - State Championship (Fish Off).
 - November 6-7, 2021
 - Location to be determined
 - BASS NATION member DISCOUNTS
 - T-H Marine 30% with CODE: BASSBONUS

- Thmarine.com
- Mammoth Coolers 40% with CODE: BassNation40
 - <https://mammothcooler.com/>
- HUK Clothing 40% with CODE: BASSNATION
 - www.hukgear.com
- BASSMASTERS Merchandise 25% with CODE: NATION
 - Bassmaster.shop
- Secretary Salary – Sid asked for a reduction in Pam’s salary. The reception of that is somewhat unresponsive.
- Treasurer Report – Sid provided numbers from the draft treasurer’s report. A corrected/updated version will be forthcoming.

REGION NEWS:

- Nominations for Region 7 Director and Secretary/Treasurer are needed. It would be nice to have them in by the Sept. 9th meeting. Sid and Susan will be stepping down as Director and Secretary/Treasurer at the end of this season.
- Region Open is scheduled for Sunday, September 27th out of Bob’s Fishing Hole. Decision for picnic and/or raffle will be made at the Sept. 9th meeting.

YOUTH:

- Chesapeake Parks & Rec youth event Saturday, September 26th at Lake Smith has been cancelled.

TOURNAMENT REPORT:

- Kevin Massie went over the rules for Saturday’s Kerr tournament. It will be at Brian’s discretion as to any change in times for the tournament depending on weather conditions. Boats in the water by 6am. Creel is 4 @ 12”, 2 @ 14”. Weigh-in 3 and 3:30pm.

NEXT REGION MEETINGS:

- Wednesday, September 9, 2020. 7:00pm Glass Baron. Fall Classic registration and OPEN.

Meeting adjourned 8:00 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Owens, Secretary/Treasurer