

Crabtowne Bassmasters
Minutes from October 14, 2008

Meeting Started: 7:15p

Meeting Adjourned: 8:00p

Attendance: (Fred)

-Present: Roger Jr, Fred, Jeff, Roger Sr., Steve, Joe L, Denis, Jim P, Sam, Glen

- Absent: Jim A, Rob, Matt, Aaron, Shawn, Alan

- Guest: n/a

September Minutes: Approved as written

Treasury Balance: (Steve)

Current Balance: 1465.38 (Plus \$20 cash - \$1485.38).

* Collection: \$884 - \$803 (Gaston Lodging), \$31 (Lunker, Poke/Gun) \$50 (Web Baits Sponsorship)

* Expenditures: \$121.70 - \$71.70 (Website), \$50 (Christopher Reeves Foundation)

Southern Region Report: (Fred)

- Crabtowne attendance for SR meetings for 2008 is 100%
- MBF Officer elections will be held soon
- Update magazine article is due by 10/15
- MBF Bull Roast is still in planning stages
- 2009 Meeting schedule is now posted on the MBF website

- Next meeting is on October 27th. Shawn will attend.
- Upcoming meetings will be attended by: November: Steve, December: Joe L

Conservation Report: (Jim A.)

Nothing to Report

Old Business:

- Shirt embroidery - Jim Adair is handling this. Sam and Denis submitted shirts for embroidering
- Safety Officer / Boat Inspections - Shawn was absent so no report was presented.
- Website sponsors - Webb Baits is our first sponsor. Steve encouraged members to obtain additional sponsorships.
- Rob Barth - Steve reported that he's been unable to contact Rob. A decision was made to simply drop Rob from the roster at year end. Should he resurface, we'll have appropriate dialog.
- MBF Bull Roast - Details on BR location are still being worked out. MBF wants a count of possible attendees. Nine members indicated interest. Steve will canvas absent members to determine overall interest and then submit a final number.
- Membership - Steve said that he expected a prospective new member to attend our meeting, but he didn't show.

New Business:

- Dues Increase - Steve proposed a dues increase from \$65 to \$80. Steve rationale for the dues increase is to have more funds in the treasury to cover both normal and unexpected expenses. He said that funds can get low and this is the primary concern. In response to the discussion, Steve said that he will develop a list of expenses for club review.
- MBF and BASS Roster Updates - These are due by year's end. Steve passed out our membership list that includes postal address and primary telephone numbers, and asked each member to review his data for accuracy.
- By-Laws Changes - Steve suggested we start the discussions for bylaw updates for 2009 starting in November, targeting February as the month for finalizing changes. Given the work over the last two years, changes should be minimal.
- Safety Officer – There was discussion about possibly eliminating this position. This was left open for future discussion.
- Banquet – It's time to start considering and discussing planning for the 2009 Banquet. This will be on the November meeting agenda.
- Kistler Rods – Steve will reach out to his contact at Kistler to see if we can purchase 'discounted' rods.

Fishing Discussion:

Nothing to Report

Tournament (Jeff)

- Lake Gaston Lodging – Reviewed 'lodging pairings' for the Gaston trip
- Gaston Muster time will be 5am
- The draw was conducted for upcoming Potomac tournaments. Pairings as follows:

Potomac River (Smallwood) 11/8

- 1 – Steve and Shawn
- 2 – Jim P & Denis
- 3 – Jeff & Aaron
- 4 – Jim A & Matt
- 5 – Glen & Alan
- 6 – Sam & Fred
- 7 – Roger Sr. & ???

Draw: None

FM/SC