

CRABTOWNE BASSMASTERS
Minutes—March 13, 2012

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 7:05 PM

ATTENDANCE: Dan & Alan were absent

FEBRUARY MEETING MINUTES: Change Mr Bass launch site to Tydings vs Dundee.

TREASURERS REPORT: Glen

Available balance as of last meeting: \$989.99 (\$953.99 checking, \$36 cash)

Deposits: \$600 (banquet attendees)

Expenses: \$1207.30 (\$347.68 – Shamrock Awards / \$136 – Lunker/ \$126 - Heavy Stringer/ \$100- Mr Bass/ \$497.62 - Hellas

Available Funds: \$346.69 (\$310.69 checking, \$36 cash)

Projected Expenses: \$200 (Mr Bass & rider entry fees)

SOUTHERN REGION REPORT: Fred

- Meeting not well attended
- New trailer purchased for Federation
- New computer purchased for recording bass weights at tournaments
- Volunteers: Apr/Franco May/Kevin Jun/Jim

CONSERVATION: Fred

Fred provided highlights from the DNR's Black Bass Roundtable meeting, referencing discussions about a proposal to have a 'closed season' for bass fishing, proposed tournament fees, 'out of state' license fees increases and fish stocking on the Choptank.

MEMBERSHIP:

David Esman attended meeting and is interested in joining our club as a non-boater. Steve provided David with a brief history of the club and requirements for membership. Appears to be a good prospect

OLD BUSINESS:

Fred will serve as the Club Safety Officer but will not fish 31 Mar tournament. Steve and Denis will conduct boat inspections—boaters need to arrive at muster 30 minutes early. Denis will e-mail boaters with a safety inspection checklist

NEW BUSINESS:

Steve encouraged all club members to rally at the designated rally areas for each tournament in order to avoid multiple stops en route to the launch, allow for the collection of Lunker monies, pretournament discussion and to maintain club cohesiveness. There was some discussion regarding the enforcement of Steve's recommendation as this is not a specific bylaw requirement.

\$200 (\$125 boater/\$75 rider) to MBF for Mr Bass tournament

Mr Bass for 2013 will be determined by total points earned in the last 3 tournaments in 2012 and the first 2 tournaments in 2013.

TOURNAMENTS: Denis

DNR concerned with weigh-in procedures at club tournaments in that fish are in weigh-in bags for extended periods with little or no oxygen. Weigh-in will be in the same order as we launched—do not bag your fish until you are advised to do so.. Check your weigh-in bag for leaks.

Club voted to purchase new weigh-in bags

If you want a courtesy check ask someone other than tournament chairman.

Franco will fish the 2012 Mr Bass tournament as a rider.

Potomac tournament pairings:

- #1 Glen/Franco
- #2 Steve/Dan
- #3 Sam/Kevin
- #4 Denis/Jim
- #5 Charlie Alan

Meeting adjourned at 8:10