

**May 23rd, 2018**  
**CT B.A.S.S. Nation Meeting**

**7:08 Roll Call**

- **CLUBS ABSENT: Ct Valley**
- **Correspondence: Thank You Cards received from Travis Frisk for the CBN, Mohawk Valley, HOC, and 26 Angels**
- **Checks from Joe Horvath came in reimbursing the CBN for food from T#1 and #2.**
- **Announcements:**
- **No Guest Speaker this evening as was planned. Will reschedule.**
- **Need to Schedule E-Board Meeting and include Nick to fine tune website.**
- **MOTION TO ACCEPT PREVIOUS MINUTES AS POSTED**

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

- **Treasurer Report: Marc Levesque**
- **Marc also spoke about the Rosters needing to be done in a timely fashion and completely filled out on the proper forms! Returning members need to be updated on initial Rosters not one at a time later!**
  
- **Conservation & FAC Report:**

**June 27, 2018**

**CBN Conservation objectives for the 2018**

- 1. Conservation Projects for Candlewood Lake (Boat Launch & Habitat)**
- 2. Create a C.A.R.E. Bass Class**
- 3. Create an on the Water Bass Course (like Golf Course)**

**Information from this past Month –**

- 1. CT Conservation Advisory Council (CCAC) Meeting**
  - a. New member organizations have been voted in**
  - b. CBN brought up again the need for updates to the boat launches (Squantz and Lattins) along with the DEEP working more closely with the Bass Fishing community.**
  - c. New regulations packages have been approved.**
- 2. Fisheries Advisory Council**
  - a. CBN was acting Secretary**
  - b. Highlighted was the amount of FTE that the DEEP is down.**
  - c. Stocking this spring was good with a solid year class of Trout.**
  - d. Marine Fisheries regulations – allotment from the East Coast Marine Fisheries allowed for a daily limits to remain the same or a slight increase depending on species.**
- 3. DEEP Items**
  - a. Edward Machowski from DEEP Warm Water Division will not be able to attend tonight as he is needed for the Pike netting. He will be here in July.**
  - b. I have a date set to meet with Bill Hyatt, Bureau Chief of Natural Resources and Michael Lambert, Bureau Chief of Outdoor Recreation to discuss the need to address the poor and unsafe conditions of the boat launches at Squantz and Latin's. I will have the President of the CCAC in attendance. I will try to get the chairman of the FAC to attend as well.**
  - c. Open discussions with Bill Hyatt about the Pontoon Boat and the Grant for Fish Studies on the Structures in Lilly, Zoar and Housatonic.**
  - d. Discussion with C.A.R.E. about incorporation my BASS Class for other instructors to present as part of the DEEP C.A.R.E. program**

**Respectfully Submitted,  
Dean Rustic  
Conservation Director**

- **CLA REPORT: None**
- **TOURNAMENT REPORT- Vinny Mucci**

**Tournament #2 was held, 31 Boats. It went very well thanks to all who stepped up and helped! State Team for helping tear down & run trailers, all who arrived early set up, ran trailers and all who helped run trailers at the end. Thank you to our Youth and Families that cooked and ran fish!**

**Special Thanks to our sponsors, Skeeter, Joe Horvath, for supplying the food and beverages, Paul Narduci for giveaways from Ultralube, Cozys and Keitech for their product prizes!**

**There were also two \$100.00 prizes given away at our stay put drawing!**

**We will have this at each of the three CBN Tournaments! You MUST be in the immediate area to win!**

**Next Tournament is July 8<sup>th</sup>, Squantz only, 8 to 3**

**On the water emergency number: 860-424-3333**

- **CBN Sponsorship Report: Thayer's Marine is offering an Evinrude Contingency Program for The CBN Tournaments #1, #2, & #3. Be the highest finishing Evinrude (Bought at Thayer's Marine) and win \$1450.00!!!**

**The T#2 Winner of the Evinrude Contingency money, was Alex Wetherall!!! Congratulations Alex!**

**2018 Skeeter Real Money is available as usual; however, the Reynolds Skeeter Contingency program will NOT be offered this year.**

- **Alliance money has all been received for 2017. Working on 2018, 7 Leads so far means we are at \$2000.00 so far.**
- **CBN Scholarship- Robert S Malloy: Marc Levesque will be the CBN Contact person for this.**

**Jason Vokun will be conducting the interviews to choose the winner of our Robert S Malloy Annual UCONN Scholarship.**

- **CBN Scholarship- Chairperson, Jim Young is working on Application for 2018. Almost ready to send out.**
- **Banquet Report:**  
**Banquet Date Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018, \$200.00 deposit has been paid.**  
**Any idea for prizes would be appreciated!**
- **Membership Committee: Dave Miller has connected a few new members. Slowing down now.**
- **Website: The Triton Group has started to build the new website. E Board is setting up a meeting with Nick to finetune the site.**
- **Audit Committee: NONE**
- **Finance: No Report**
- **CBN Youth Report: John Piscioniere**  
**Tournament 2 was a success...**

**3<sup>rd</sup> tournament is July 21<sup>st</sup>...Paul Narducci will be doing prizes and Pizzas!**

**Collected a lot of “stuff” from Barry Rich, Jim Ball and Kurtis LaPointe...began handing it out. Kids are coming to my house to collect it.**

**Filmed a segment of “what’s right with schools” with WTNH on Wednesday the 27<sup>th</sup> of June.**  
**Will air next Thursday.**

**Next tournament is July 21<sup>st</sup>.**

***John Piscioniere***

- **State Team Administrator: Sylvia Morris**
  - **CBN State Team Report June 27<sup>th</sup>**

- **The Eastern Regional was held on Winyah Bay last week. The Ct State Team came in 9<sup>th</sup> overall out of 18. The weather was hot, heat index of 100 or better each day. The Team did a great job despite the heat and tough fishing conditions. So proud of them!!!**
- **All have made it back safe! One had a truck issue but got home ok.**
- **The week went very well, Georgetown County did a great job hosting this event, all seemed to have a great time!**
- **Receipts will be turned in in the next few weeks.**
- **Congratulations to Kevin Rose, boater and Jim Morris, Non Boater they will be representing CT at the 2018 B.A.S.S. Nationals!**
- **Deposits from the houses have been mailed back, \$1000.00. They were very impressed on how well we kept the properties.**
- **This trip will be upwards of about 23,000.00**
- **Need to find a way to make money for the State Team Account, the CBN Trail is very small this year and not making the money it should for the Team. The Classic, Mr. Bass and the Two Day should bring in some.**
- **Will need approx. 18,000.00. Next year is Sebago out of Point Sebago. I am working on booking the Lodge for the Team and boat slips.**

**Sylvia Morris, CBN State Team Administrator**

- **MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORTS AS GIVEN, SECOND, ALL IN FAVOR**

### **Old Business**

- **Excused Absences: Ct Bassmen, Candlewood Bassmasters, Ct Sweetwater, Bass Attack, & Xtreme**
- **WE NEED A TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR!!!! WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO HELP AT EACH EVENT ALSO. PLEASE CONTACT VINNY MUCCI 203-525-4105 TO VOLUNTEER TO HELP OR TO BE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR!!!!**
- **Emptied the remainder of the Federal Grant Fund, \$5000.00 to our CBN Grant Account to use as Dean had outlined in the beginning,**

**going to fellowship at a Marine School, still choosing at this point. Need to spend the monies in the account in the allotted time frame set forth by the program.**

- **Lake Lillinonah will be treated with Reward, a new permit has been submitted and approved. A meeting is set up by the LLA for anyone interested in this matter to attend and voice opinions for or against. July 3<sup>rd</sup>, Brookfield Townhall, 7:30 pm. Thanks to Dave Miller and his many phone calls and persistence, Thank you Dave!!!!**
- **It was decided to research the cost of possibly( will be voted on once all info has been given) getting State Team Jackets for this years Team through Mike Billings of Billings Sports and bring back to the next meeting, June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2018 for discussion and vote. We tabled it because Mike had no information right now. Will have ready for next months meeting, July 25<sup>th</sup>.  
**ANY MORE OLD BUSINESS?****

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- **Dave Gilbert, a long time CBN Member has passed away. No arrangements have been made as of yet. We will miss him greatly, always there to help in any way he could.....We will do something as soon as we know what the Family would like. Dean Rustic suggested we donate to the Veterans, Gaylord Hosp, or Steven Roy Andrews Foundation. We will decide once we talk with the family.**
- **Dave Dziobs nephew passed away at a very young age of 26. Motion was made and seconded to give the family \$500.00 to help with the Funeral expenses. It passed.**
- **John Piscioniere made a motion that the High School/ Juniors make a donation of \$250.00 also, seconded and passed also.**
- **Vinny asked the membership for permission for Thayers Marine to use the CBN Trailer and equipment for their Annual Open on**

**Candlewood Lake, Danbury Town Park, Sept 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Motion was made to allow this, seconded and passed unanimously.**

**ANY MORE NEW BUSINESS???**

**HOTELS TO UTILIZE: Super 8 Hotel 3 Lake Ave Ext, Danbury, CT  
06811 ASK FOR CAROLYNN OR ANNA & FISHERMAN RATE, \$69.00**

**Keitech Raffle Winners: Kevin Rose, Jim Johnson, Rome Wiszinewski  
& Dan Reiman**

**Motion to Adjourn, second, all in favor. Adjourned at 8:35**

**NEXT MEETING IS WED. July 25th, 2018**