

August 22nd, 2018
CT B.A.S.S. Nation Meeting

7:08

8:15 Roll Call

- **CLUBS ABSENT: CT Sweetwater, Ct Yankee, Housatonic Valley, Tolland and Xtreme**
- **Correspondence: NONE**
- **Announcements: NONE**
- **MOTION TO ACCEPT PREVIOUS MINUTES AS POSTED**
- **Guest Speaker, Ed Machowski came to talk to us about our concerns with the ease of acquiring of permits and application of Pesticides in our Ct lakes. Many people asked many questions concerning other issues also. He made a list of our issues and will be checking on all of these. He will set up a time to return and address what we talked about and what he was able to find out for us.**

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

- **Treasurer Report: Marc Levesque**
- **Conservation & FAC Report: Dean Rustic**
- **August 22, 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. No formal meeting in July & August**

- b. **Keith Cagle, President of the CCAC and are still waiting for the on-site visit of Candlewood Launches with Bill Hyatt, Michael Lambert, Michael Payton and Michael Beauchene**
 - c. **In support of the issues and proposals that I brought forward at the CCAC meeting in June the Northwest Connecticut Sportsman's Council voted to support the CBN and sent a letter of support to the Bill Hyatt at the DEEP. I have attached a copy of the hand written note from Chris Marino and the Letter they sent on our behalf to the DEEP.**
- 2. Fisheries Advisory Council**
- a. **No meeting until September.**
- 3. DEEP Items**
- a. **Met with Edward Machowski about the creation of shore line access areas for fishing around Burr Pond State Park. There is currently a trail that goes around the pond but there is limited shore line fishing access. I had proposed to work together and get a grant for additional structures to be used to increase the quality of the fishing in conjunction with the access areas. Edward is in favor and will be setting up a meeting with the Western District Parks Manager to make this happen.**

**Respectfully Submitted,
Dean Rustic
Conservation Director**

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

Classic was held. Vinny Mucci and Jose Solar, Boaters Qualified for the 2019 Eastern Regionals along with Rob Kittredge and Bob Stella, Non Boaters. Congratulations!!!

Mr Bass will be Aug 26th 2018. We have 11 Clubs participating.

Two Day Apps are out and should be mailed in by mailing deadline of Aug 27th, 2018 Mon.

- **CBN Sponsorship Report:**
- **Alliance money has all been received for 2017. Working on 2018, 15 Leads so far means we are at \$3,000.00 so far, 6 more to go for \$5000.00!!!!.**
- **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 Has Been Changed due to a Conflict with the B.A.S.S. Nationals to Nov. 17th, 2018, \$200.00 deposit has been paid.
Any idea for prizes would be appreciated!**

- **Membership Committee: Dave Miller has connected a few new members. Should start recruiting for 2019!!!**
- **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
Youth Report: 8/22/2018**

- **Season Tournaments have ended:**
- **Candlewood was touch and go right to the end.... but we had a few captains step up. We had several cancellations at the last minute. It happens.**
- **Thank you to all of those that helped out for the year. Amazing bunch of guys' stepping up.**

- **The results (below) with what I believe are the volunteer points added in are pretty much final. I'm still verifying with a few teams where volunteer points may impact their results, to make sure I didn't miss any dates. For instance, Nonnewaug- finished in 2nd place finish, but when volunteer points get added, it knocks them down to 4th!**
- **Sound School- Jake and Sully- finished 1st again this year....and if results stay as is.... Danbury HS**
- **We had a Tie in points at the Junior level. Alex Gordon and Ben Delvecchia.**
- **Both Juniors maxed out on volunteer points. So our Tie Breaker is Total Weight for the year, Resulting in Alex Gordon winning for 2nd year in a row.**
- **I will send out official results next week:**
- **The full results are at bottom of email.**
- **Our next year trail dates have been applied for:**
- **Applied for Permits:**
- **May 11- Zoar**
- **May 12- Lilly- this is mother's day, so I booked Zoar the day before. I will probably end up cancelling this one:**
- **June 15 Candlewood Lattins**
- **July 20- Lilly (but we may not get this because there is 18 other boats- put in for 30)**
- **August 31st Candlewood Lattins**

New Business to discuss for Next year:

I will stay on another year as Youth director. I know a LOT of you wanted it, but sorry...one more year for me.

Ideas for the youth program for next year:

Conservation- I would like to find and apply for a grant to fund the purchase of certified on-water scales to be used during all of our tournaments. No reason to be bringing so many fish back to scales and losing some of them. I believe it's the way it will be in the future and I want to start it now.

Female/minority/inner city participation-
our participation for these groups.

we need to increase

Funding/awareness for our program- I would like to float the idea of boat sponsorship of a boat for the youth program next year, with the idea that the boat mfg. offers the boat up at a “cost” price, the dealer sponsors the boat for our tournaments...and we create a raffle to raffle off that specific boat at year end. The proceeds of the raffle would be something like this:

Cost of boat

Expense to run the raffle

Anything left over would

be: 80% to youth fishing program

20% to a charity to be decided.

John Piscioniere

- **State Team Administrator: Sylvia Morris**
We did the 2018 State Team Receipts Wed Aug 1st my house Vinny Mucci and myself. Marc Levesque sent out all reimbursements. 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. 19,000.00. Next year is Sebago out of Point Sebago. I am working on booking the Lodge for the Team and boat slips.
We have qualified Eight Members for the 2019 State Team, Lake Sebago. They are: Boaters-Al Gambardella, Ryan Pereiras, Vinny Mucci, and Jose Soler
Non-Boaters, Todd Rose, Joe Sodora, Rob Kittregde and Bob Stella.

Respectfully,

Sylvia Morris

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

Old Business

- **Excused Absences: None**
- **We need two golfers to join Mike Billings and his wife at the Katie Dobroczyński Golf Event to make a foursome for the CBN. Please contact Vinny Mucci if interested 203-525-4105.**
- **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 27th, 2018 for discussion and vote. We tabled it because Mike had no information right now. Will have ready for next months, (August 21st) meeting.**
- **Nominations are open for Tournament Director for 2019!!!! Please contact one of our Nominating Committee with any nominations: ANY NOMINATIONS????**
Kevin Rose-860-978-3987
Mike Billings-203-213-0146
Dave Miller-203-243-2188

ANY MORE OLD BUSINESS?

NEW BUSINESS

The Veterans Tournament will be held Sept 18th, 2018, Danbury Town Park, Candlewood Lake. Boat Captains are needed! Please contact Al Guite if interested. 860-436-8646.

Nominations are open for Executive Board for 2019!

President

Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer

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**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: Bob Stella, John Piscionieri,

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

NEXT MEETING IS WED September 26th, 2018