# Aug 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023

# CT B.A.S.S. Nation IN person/ Conference Call Call began at 7:04pm

Officers Present & on the Call were:
Mike Billings-Vice President
Sylvia Morris-Secretary
Dean Rustic-Conservation Director
Abe Kalechman-Tournament Director
Vinny Mucci-President
John Piscioniere- Youth Director

## Missing:

Marc Levesque- Treasurer

Devin Hines-Membership/social media Director

Clubs Missing: CT Bassmen, CBBA, Sweetwater, & Xtreme

Minutes from prior month accepted.

#### **Announcements: None**

- <u>Correspondence</u>: The Zoom Presidents Meeting was held, here is a Recap:
  - 3 rd Quarter Meeting Recap
  - Recap of great College/HS/JR National Championships ended the summer strong with the College National Championship on Pickwick Lake
  - The final College Event will be the College Classic Bracket at Milford Lake in Kansas.
  - Roster closes on August 31st, 2023 the total numbers accumulated this year will be used to determine Nation Championship numbers for 2025.
  - Reminder was sent out yesterday of how many qualifiers each state can send to 2024 Nation Championship.

Dues for youth members will most likely be increased to \$30 across the board – More to come on this once it is finalized.
 Glenn Cale is also going to be hosting a youth director meeting next week to brief them.

From GL: • All Nation president's need to respond to the hotel form for Nation Championship by September 1 st. I look forward to seeing all of you there as there are many important details and things we will be covering for the coming years.

- Schedule will be announced at Nation Championship 3 of 4 tournaments are finalized as well as 2024 Nation Championship. I am hopeful to get the final event locked in.
- Off-Limits for the 2023 BASS Nation Championship were moved back from September 1st, 2023 to September 18th, 2023 Due to the Western Regional being moved from September 13-15 to August 30-1. This now allows for Western Regional Anglers the opportunity to pre-practice.
- Alliance Package will continue in 2024 and beyond. As always there was lots of good discussion between state presidents on the meeting we hope that all have found these to be helpful this year.

The 4th quarter meeting will be held at the BASS Nation Championship at Lake Hartwell, SC

- REPORTS OF OFFICERS
- Treasurer Report: NONE
- CBN Conservation Report: NONE
- Tournament Trail Report:

Abe said he is waiting for apps for T#5!! Mailind deadline is Sat Sept 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Top Three Anglers and top three co anglers will be the CBN National Contenders for 2024 after T#5 and a drop!

• The trail for 2024 is as follows:

April 14th Candlewood Squantz & Latins, 8 to 4 May 5th Candlewood Squantz & Latins, 8 to 4 June 9th Ct River Haddam, 7 to 3

JULY 14th MR BASS TBD????, 7 to 3 Sept 8th Ct River Haddam, 7 to 3 Oct 13th Lilly Steelbridge, 7 to 3

**Trail Left for 2023** 

T#5 Sept 10 Candlewood, Squantz, 8 to 4

## **CBN Sponsorship Report:**

- Toyota Bonus Bucks
- Skeeter Real Money
- Triton Gold
- Power Pole Program
- Ranger Cup
- Alliance Program-Have 19 leads so far for 2023!!
- CBN Scholarship-
- Banquet Report: Sylvia Morris
- Members Invite is on the website, will be sending out to all Sponsors and Guests in an email in the next two weeks. A members email blast along with the Awards application will go out also in the next few weeks.

NEW VENUE!!! The Wallingford County Club, Violis Restaurant \$55.00 a person
Nov 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023.
WE NEED PRIZES!!!!
All info on ctbass.com

<u>Membership Committee/ social media Director</u>: Remember to contact our social media Director/Membership Director, Devin Hines if you have something that needs to be posted on our social media Pages or have a new member to place in a club.

Devin's info is P: 203-752-7797 E: devinehines19@yahoo.com-email

- Kayak Series- Need a director
- <u>Website</u>: The CBN E-mail list has been given to the webmaster to send E-mail Blast each time he adds News, Pairings, results, etc. to the

webpage. Check with your members and be sure they are receiving them. Check Spam folders too!

Please send any e-mail changes or additions to Myself or Vinny!!!

• CBN Youth Report: John Piscioniere

Tournament #4 is set for Zoar on Sept 9<sup>th</sup>, need about three more Boat Captains lease.

Will have a few Volunteers to help at the CBN T#5 Candlewood on Sept 10<sup>th</sup>.

The HS Nationals was held and we were represented well By Tyler Mahood and Wesley Perault, and Paul Baker and Ashton Alberts. Great Job Boys!

Parents were a little upset as they were 481 Boats in this event, way too many. B.A.S.S. says they are aware and are fixing the problem so this will not happen again.

• State Team Report, Sylvia Morris, State Team Administrator

The total expenses for the 2023 State Team Potomac River was 19,371.75.

There will be no more State Team reports going forward as this was the Final State Team according to B.A.S.S. new Format.

#### **MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORTS AS GIVEN**

#### OLD BUSINESS

- Excused Absences: Housatonic
- Nominations are open for CBN Tournament Director, until the next meeting. Please contact Vinny Mucci, 203-525-4105 with your Nominations.

- September 19<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday, Congamond Lake, will be the Veterans
   Tournament. Al Guite says he is all set for boats and thank you to all who have stepped up to help!
- Vinny says he has been in touch with Andrew Bade and is working on setting up a Gill Netting event on Candlewood in Oct or Nov. More to come on this!

## **NEW BUSINESS**

John Piscioniere told us about an incident on Bantom over the weekend with his Club Tournament. A person harassed them about using the ramp and was very rude. He falsely presented himself as a state employee. He reported it to Bill Forman who is checking into it. So, if your club is holding any tournaments on Banton be aware of this.

Meeting adjourned: 7:37 pm

In Person and WebEx (Info will be email blasted) at Ct Comp 100 Corporate Place, Rocky Hill, Training Room.

2023 CBN Meeting Dates			
Sept	20th		
Oct	25th		
Nov	15th	week early	

Dec	20th	week early

• Meetings are Fourth Wed of each Month unless a Holiday then it will be the third Wed of the Month.