



NBAA: MINUTES OF EXCO MEETING

Date : Thursday, 26 October 2017

Time : 18:00

Venue: Bauernstube Restaurant

1. WELCOMING

Action

1.1 The Chairman, Mr Richard Grant, welcomed everyone present to the NBAA EXCO Meeting.

2. ATTENDANCE:

2.1 Richard Grant (RG)
Collette Carstens (CC)
Hendrik Pretorius (HP)
Neels van Tonder (NvT)
James van Rooyen (JvR)
Anton de Wit (AdW)
Alec Williams (AW)
Andrew Hall (AH)

3. MEMBERSHIP:

All memberships are up to date as well as B.A.S.S. membership. B.A.S.S. membership currently stands at 61 registered members.

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APOLOGIES:

None

5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

5.1 The minutes of the 2nd of August 2017 was approved by HP & NvT.

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.1 All matters will be discussed during this meeting.

7. CREATION/ MAINTENANCE OF NEW & CURRENT SUSTAINABLE FISHERIES:

- Ministry of Fisheries has approved the stocking of venues that currently house populations of bass.
- Ministry of Fisheries requires professionally conducted Risk Analysis Studies for venue that currently don't house populations of bass.
- Dr Neil Deacon been asked to come to Namibia to conduct the Risk Analysis and to analyse current fisheries before any stocking can take place.
- Dr Neil Deacon will be in Namibia from the 3rd until the 8th of November 2017 and all EXCO members are requested to assist where possible.
- Dr Neil Deacon will visit Von Bach, Oanob, Swakoppoort and Hardap dam during his visit. RG will collect Dr Deacon from the airport and Dr Deacon will be staying at RG's house for the week as a guest in order to save on costs.
- Visiting of Dams are arranged as follows:
 - ✓ 4th of November 2017 – Von Bach Dam
 - ✓ 5th of November 2017 - Oanob Dam
 - ✓ 6th of November 2017 – Swakoppoort Dam
 - ✓ 7th & 8th of November 2017 - Hardap Dam

- ✓ All members that would like to assist or be present at any of the Dams to talk to Dr Neil Deacon are welcome.
- RG has been in contact with a hatchery in the Cape that has ties to Dr Olaf Weyl. This hatchery seems to be the only one in South Africa that will be able to meet all requirements and certificates as requested by Ministry of Fisheries for the importing of live bass.
- A quotation on the price for bass will then be send through to RG.
- Dr Neil Deacon will be consulted on the size of fish that needs to be imported.
- RG will be drafting an e-mail to all members to clarify and elaborate on the following:
 - ✓ Current status of current fisheries (Von Bach / Oanob) as per Dr Deacon's findings.
 - ✓ The importance of fisheries management.
 - ✓ Current fisheries management issues (short-term fisheries management plan) which must be addressed prior to importing live bass.
 - ✓ The process of importing live bass.
 - ✓ Long-Term Fisheries Management plan (1 year / 3 year / 5 year)
 - ✓ Current and long-term Fisheries Expansion plans (this refers to the expansion of venue for bass fishing in Namibia). The NBAA has earmarked Swakoppoort Dam and Hardap Dam for this.

8. **DISCUSSION OF ASSOCIATION BUSINESS AND MATTERS AT HAND:**

8.1 B.A.S.S. NATION ALLIANCE & MEMBERSHIP CARDS:

- This matter has been extended to indefinite deadline as there are more pressing issues at hand and this will be again discussed at the next EXCO meeting as well as the NBAA AGM to take place on the 23th of November 2017.
- This deadline needs to be reviewed, the economy is not doing well and any savings for our members must be put in place ASAP. This will also be discussed at the NBAA AGM on the 23th of November 2017.

8.2 HONORARY MEMBERSHIP – NBAA HALL OF FAME:

- Research to be done: Founders of the NBAA, Anglers of the year since the inception of the NBAA, Records holders, and people involved with the stocking of Oanob Dam, people that have served on EXCO for 8 years or more and B.A.S.S. Nation Contenders.
- Information has been received from Mr Anton Halgreen and he will be the NBAA's 2nd Hall of Famer.
- The NBAA website will be updated within the next 2 weeks.

8.3 SELECTION CRITERIA FOR CIPS/ FIPSeD BLACK BASS WORLD CUP TEAM & PRESIDENTS TEAM:

- 2018 team selection criteria will be proposed and discussed at the NBAA AGM, 23rd of November 2017.

8.4 MERIT POINT DETERMINATION FOR NATIONAL TEAMS, NON-NATIONAL TEAMS, CIPS/FIPSeD WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS & PRESIDENT TEAMS:

- Research to be done and proposal to be compiled for NBAA AGM, 23rd of November 2017.

8.5 NEW WEIGH STATION:

- Update on the progress by HP.
- HP has been tasked to turn the weigh station into a "Green" weigh station.

9. **NATIONAL SELECTION COMMITTEE:**

- National selection committee for 2018 to be elected at NBAA AGM, 23rd of November 2017
- 2017 National Selection committee to be nominated for 2018 any other nomination for the committee is welcome. It can be send through to CC & RG.

10. **PRIZE GIVING EVENT:**

- The 2016 prize giving will be held during the NBAA AGM on the 23rd of November 2017.
- RG will update all trophies.

11. **2017 TOURNAMENT TRAIL – JvR & CO'C:**

- B.A.S.S. Nation Qualifier competition – 10 – 12 November 2017
- League competition – 2 December 2017
- RG & JvR will discuss arrangements and be sent out to all members.
- Weight station to be complete and tournament arrangements to be made.

12. **WEBSITE UPDATES:**

- RG to update and add the following: B.A.S.S. Nation Section / 2017 Region V Section
- RG busy with all updates
- HP to send material to update the conservation section.

13. **MAGAZINE ARTICLES, NEWSPAPER ARTICLES, RADIO, WEBSITE, FACEBOOK – MARKETING:**

- Ensure all magazine & newspaper articles are kept on file.
- AH to compile press report for the Black Bass World Championships.
- AH to compile press reports for the B.A.S.S. Nation Championships and feedback needs to be received from Thinus Williams & JvR.
- Facebook is extremely active and EXCO would like to thank AH for all the effort being put into it.

14. **NATIONAL TEAMS 2017:**

- RG to present updated National Team Member Rules at the NBAA AGM, 23rd of November 2017.

15. **NBAA MERCHANDISE STORE:**

- AH to present a concept.
- Prices & quotes to be obtained ASAP.
- RG & AH will start with discussion regarding the NBAA merchandise store to start up and running early 2018.

16. **TACKLE STORE PRIZE GIVE AWAY ON PURCHASES MADE:**

- To be discussed in detail at the next EXCO meeting.
- RG & AH will start with discussion to start up and running in 2018.

17. **NBAA MEMBERS PROFILES:**

- AH has been active on Facebook with members' profiles and a thank you to AH for all the effort put in.

18. **2017 RADIO WAVE SUMMER BASS CLASSIC:**

- The Radio Wave Summer Bass Classic has been postponed to 2018.
- Preparation and arrangements will start in March 2018 for the 2018 event should there be a noticeable improvement in catch statistics in 2018.

19. **CORPORATE BASS CHALLENGE – 13 – 15 OCTOBER 2017:**

- Tough fishing conditions during the CBC, however positive feedback was received from all teams that took part.
- Old Mutual was positive regarding exposure of the CBC.

20. **B.A.S.S. NATION QUALIFIER – 10 – 12 NOVEMBER 2017:**

- Arrangement with hosting venue to be made as soon as possible.
- RG to advise on all arrangements to all EXCO members.

21. **2017 AGM:**

- RG busy preparing for the NBAA AGM for the 23rd of November 2017.
- Executive council members to submit reports by due date, 16 November 2017.
- All nomination for Executive council positions for 2018 should be send through to CC, the due date for nomination are the 16th of November 2017.
- The current Executive council members are available for 2018 again:
 - ✓ Ricard Grant
 - ✓ Alec Williams

- ✓ Anton de Wit
- ✓ Andrew Hall
- ✓ Neels van Tonder
- ✓ Collette Carstens
- ✓ Hendrik Pretorius

- James van Rooyen is not available for Tournament Director for 2018
- Corne O'Callaghan is not available for Weigh master for 2018.
- All motion &/ suggestions from members for the NBAA AGM should be send through to CC on or before the 16th of November 2017.

22. HEADLINE SPONSOR FOR 2018:

- King Price has informed AW that they are willing to become a sponsor for 2018 and further negotiations are being done.
- RG is arranging a meeting with Bank Windhoek to discuss the 2018 season. AH will also attend the meeting.

23. XIII BLACK BASS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS:

- Results, reports and videos of the XIII Black Bass World Championships are available on the website and facebook page.

24. 2017 B.A.S.S. NATION CHAMPIONSHIPS:

- JvR & Thinus Williams did exceptionally well and held Namibia's name high at all times.
- AH to compile a press release and feedback will be given to him by JvR & Thinus Williams
- Website will also be updated by RG.

25. CORRESPONDENCE

- Outstanding Debtors list will be send to RG by NvT.

26. GENERAL

JvR want to thank EXCO for the great year and for all the great feedback and motivation he received during his B.A.S.S. Tournament. That kept him motivated and his spirits up during difficult fishing times.

RG thanked JvR for his contributions to EXCO in 2017.

RG also thanked Corne O'Callaghan for her time this year as weigh mistress. She did an exceptional job.

26. CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 19:05

27. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Will only be in 2018. EXCO will be notified.



18.12.2017

Secretary of the Namibian Bass Angling Association

Date



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Chairman of the Namibian Bass Angling Association

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