

TBF of Michigan Board Meeting Minutes
August 3 2010
7 pm – 10:30 pm
Row Century 21, Livonia

Attendees

Jeff Cox
Skip Johnson
Josh Kolodzaike
Jack Cahn
James Hobson
Dave Reault

Discussions

Topic #1

August 29 2010 state championship

Discussed possibly moving the August 29 2010 state championship location to Harley Ensign Ramp in an effort to have a more successful fish release because cooler cleaner water is closer to the weigh location.

Originally TBF of Mi had the FLW trailer and release boat reserved for the 8-29-10 state championship but FLW has notified TBF of Mi that they now are not available for undisclosed reasons.

Lakedrive Marine has offered to donate their release boat for the day, TBF of Mi will likely take them up on their generous offer.

Dave Reault will contact MDNR to try to get a permit to use Harley Ensign ramp.

Jeff would like to get several more vendors to set up tents/tables at the pre meeting and asks that if any presidents or members have fishing related vendors that would like to set up a table they are welcome to do so, several board members will be contacting their sponsors and contacts and letting them know they are welcome to set up the day of the pre meeting starting at 3 pm.

It was agreed that TBF of Mi would again supply food at the pre meeting, the board discussed several food options in length and concluded that Subway sandwiches, chips and water worked very well at Muskegon and TBF of Mi will do the same for St Clair. At this time TBF of Mi will have donations to give away at the championship from Nemesis Baits, Troll Perfect, Extreme Bass Tackle and Lunch Money Lures.

Registration will be from 5pm till 6:30 with the mandatory pre meeting beginning at 7:00 pm.

It was decided there will be no off limits fishing areas.

Board discussed what to do if a club has a no show competitor, the club that is short or has to borrow (if borrowing is possible) must make the balance of boater/ non boaters right.

Board brought up and agreed that participants must receive a copy of weight receipt.

Discussed ways to keep real time tally of weigh in results, it was agreed that it will slow down and complicate the weigh in to write on a board unless TBF of Mi purchased computers and a digital screen, not an expense TBF of Mi will take on at this time.

Topic #2

Humminbird vouchers.

It seems they made a mistake when they wrote the contract, Humminbird wrote it in a way that it seemed that we could purchase multiple products with each of the 8 vouchers and so we have, they meant to write it with 8 total purchases and we have already far exceeded that number so we cannot purchase any more discounted products this year.

Topic #3

Side Pots

Discussed if TBF of Mi should run our own side pot in future State Championships.

It was decided that we will not run a side pot at the August 29 2010 state championship and TBFM will consider doing a side pot at the 2011 state championship.

To be discussed at the next board meeting.

Topic #4

1 or 2 day Championship

A couple members have expressed interest to Jeff Cox that they would like the State Championship to be a 2 day event, the board discussed the topic in length and acknowledged that it would add a lot more expenses to the competitors. Jeff asked the board to make a pro's and con's list and submit the lists at the next board meeting.

Topic #5

Dead fish Penalties

Discussed the need to bring to vote at the next general meeting if TBF of Mi should continue the 1lb penalty or reduce the penalty to 8 oz because several members have asked it to be reduced.

Topic #6

Lake options for 2011 State Championship

Board discussed several lakes including Saginaw Bay, Houghton, Charlevoix, Coldwater Chain and Wixom.

Jeff will check with chambers of commerce's to see what options and/or facilities may suite the event better.

Topic #7

Adding a new tournament format in 2011.

The President would like to add 2 new tournaments, the tournament format will be a team format with a \$150 entry fee and will have a combined cash and prize pay back of 120%.

The first event will be early in the 2011 season on the west shoreline and the second will be in September out of Elizabeth Park on the Detroit River.

These events will be open to all TBF members.

Topic #8

Junior Championships

Board briefly discussed the travel budget and the need for the treasurer to receive timely receipts and monies.

Topic #9

Conservation

Josh has several calls and emails out to organizations such as MDNR and is still waiting for replies, TBF of Mi has access to materials to build structure but needs more responses and co operation from state and local agencies.