

Centennial Bass Club  
February 3, 2015 Minutes

**Call to Order:** Perry Flot 6:30 pm

**Secretary Report:** Motion to accept the minutes as posted, 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed.

**Treasurers Report:**

General Fund	\$ 5254.51
FMO	\$ 500.00
CAST	\$ 1630.26
Juniors/HS	\$ 1300.00

Nate needs bylaws signed by 2015 officer and the articles of incorporation to give to Bank of Colorado to open the new accounts.

Motion to accept the treasurers report as read, 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed.

**Tournament Director:**

Terry has applied for all permits and waiting on final approval from horsetooth. Nebraska is set. Kansas is set. All insurance certificates are back.

Terry is working on a deal with a gentleman from Water Valley water resources to have a small tournament on July 5<sup>th</sup>. It is not set yet because the formalities have not been worked out. The lake is not very big so there may have to be a sign up sheet. Water Valley will have to determine how many boats we could have.

**Team Series:**

Chris has checked all the scales and they are all working fine. We still need new bags and Bill is still trying to get them donated. Jim Strawbridge brought up concerns about the rules for the team series. One being the 1lb penalty for dead fish not being very well explained in the rules which affects how people cull their fish. Another concern is the penalty for short fish. These need to be specific in the tournament rules so there are no questions. Another question was "does the winner take all or are we just fishing for 1<sup>st</sup> place?" Does the balance of the money carry over. All of this needs to be put in writing so everyone is on the same page. Big fish always determines the tie. Team rules do not need to be voted on.

**Conservation:**

John has joined a new organization call Bass Unlimited. He doesn't know much about them yet but they seem to work a lot with conservation in Colorado. He will have more info next month.

**Activities:**

Craig is working on the bobbers, kiddy pool, and prizes for the expo. The Sign up sheet is still going around for more volunteers. The expo is March 7 & 8 from 9-5 & 9-4. If anyone has a kiddy pool, that would be great. And we will be using one of the pumps to keep the water moving.

**FMO: August 1-2, 2015**

Bill has Hughes parking lot good to go. The captains meeting will be at 3 instead of 2. Everyone must be out of Hughes stadium by 4:30. For the mandatory meeting, only 1 person from each team is needed. Bill has all of the sponsors on board and some of the new ones are Seafoam and Strike King.

The committees need to be set up. The rules committee needs to get together asap to help Scott. We have raffle items and Frank is working on the silent auction so that the high bids can show immediately. Off limits is the Sunday before at midnight. The rules are on active.com. These rules will be available after the committee has looked over them to make sure no changes are needed. The price is staying the same at \$200.00. Registration dates have not been completely determined. June 1 it should open to all club members. Around July 1 is when it will open to the public. Denver Bassmasters has a tournament on July 23 at Horsetooth. Not positive if that is the correct date but there was some concern about them hurting our fishing for the FMO. Bill did not see a problem. We discussed more sponsors and we think Frank should check with Nordy's about being a new sponsor. Silvermine subs are still on board and we also have burritos in the morning.

**Next Meeting:**

March 3, 2015- Nordy's

**CAST: June 6, 2015**

Cara is no longer with CAST but Theresa is back. She helped start CAST with Bill years ago. Jay Yellus is the CEO. Bass pro is trying to bring a pontoon. Jay is going to try and come also. Sign up will all be online.

**Federation:**

Frank was not present to give any updates.

**JR's:**

Frank was not present to give any updates.

**Old Business:**

Maybe have flyers to help bring in new members. Jeff has a friend that wants to Discussion have a beginner's bass clinic at swift ponds and help filter those people into our clubs. It is in the works and more discussion to get more college students and younger people. CSU has a team but what about the other colleges around? Maybe we need to get information to those other colleges. If anyone has ideas, please bring them up at the meetings. We also discussed the need to get more involved with social media to bring in new members. Many people don't even know there is a bass club in northern Colorado. People need to be sharing on their social media sites to spread the word. Maybe we should assign someone to post to the CBC facebook page about tournament results etc. Jim has offered to do a blog on fish explorer. There was discussion about doing a Saturday night BBQ to invite people to learn more about the club. We also need to do more at the expo. There are very few young guys in the club and they are the future to help build the club. There was also discussion about boaters sponsoring a new member to help them get familiar with how the club works. Every new member would be assigned a mentor. Give them things to read and study, maybe some fishing lures, a new member booklet so that we can take care of the non boaters. Making sure to give them water and assistance to keep them interested and teach them.

**New Business:**

Does anyone have fishing items they want to sell possibly at the expo. Last year's sale did not go over very well. 3-4 years ago people sold things at the expo. Maybe that helped bring more people to the booth. Each person would need to be responsible for their items they bring and collecting their monies. So far only 6 people have signed up for 4 shifts. We need at least 2-3 for each shift. Maybe we need to

recruit the youth and high school clubs for both days because we need more volunteers. Even if someone can only give an hour or two that would be helpful.

Mike sent out a new emailing list so make sure to get updated with him. Every member needs to attend at least 1 meeting. One member would like to know if we can get phone numbers back on the list. So far only 25 members have paid for 2015. In the past, no one ever kept track of who paid and who didn't but this year Echo is keeping track. She will be sending the current paid members to the tournament director. If you are not current you cannot fish a tournament. People cannot show up at a tournament and pay their dues, that needs to be done in advance as well as boat insurance to Terry prior to a tournament. It can be scanned and emailed.

Chad Morgan from the Division of Wildlife is the speaker tonight.

Adjourn, motioned, 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed.