

Erie County Bassmasters | MINUTES | 2018-JUN

Meeting date | time 6/13/2018 | 7:46 PM | Meeting location R Bar & Grill

President	Joe Ferraro III (Absent)	In Attendance
Vice-President	John Marotta	Mike Creighton
Secretary	Nick Pares	Ken Kosowski
Treasurer	Dave Young	Jason Sauer
Sargent-at-Arms	Bruce VanWyck	Nick Sanderson
Tournament Director	Nick Matecki	Joe Ferraro Jr.
		Rick von Kramer
		Mike Schmitt

OFFICER'S REPORT

Report Title	Person responsible	Motion to Approve
May Meeting Minutes	Nick Pares	Joe Ferraro Jr. & Nick Matecki
Treasurer's Report	Dave Young	Nick Matecki & Joe Ferraro Jr.

OLD BUSINESS

| Agenda topic Anti-Discrimination Bylaw Amendment | Presenter Nick Pares

Discussion Conversation

The proposal is to amend the bylaws, expanding on the "unsportsmanlike conduct" policy to include any racial, sexist, bigoted, and other intolerant remarks. The amendment would also clarify that this policy is in effect both on and off the water. Any individual witnessing such acts can file a grievance with the Board of Directors. The first violation would be a written warning. The second violation would be suspension from the club for one year. The third offense would be removal from the club.

Proposed Amendment to the Bylaws:

ARTICLE VIII: Practice of Sportsmanship

SECTION 1: Sportsmanship Obligation

As members, each individual is always representing the club. Any negative conduct by one individual has a negative impact on all of us. Holding our members accountable for their actions is necessary to ensure we have a positive impact on the local community, angling community and B.A.S.S. The following applies with regards to Sportsmanship:

- A. It is the clear obligation of all club members to practice the highest principles of sportsmanship and ethics of competition. These expectations include, **but are not limited to**; any form of racist, sexist, or bigoted remarks. Any hateful, antagonizing, disrespectful, or derogatory remarks toward any individual (member or non-member) is a clear violation of the Sportsmanship expectation.
- B. The Board of Directors shall have the full authority to issue a warning, suspend, or remove any member who is found in violation of this obligation.
- C. Any violation of this rule shall be brought to the attention of one of the Board of Directors by the principal witness(es) of the violation.
- D. Sportsmanship is required both on and off the water. This includes, **but is not limited to**; during any club event, at the host marina, club meeting location, and local lodging. This also includes commuting in a vehicle to any one of the previously stated locations.

Conclusion Closing

To be voted on during the June Club meeting. (June 13th, 2018)

Results of Vote

Yay

Nay

The vote was unanimous; the amendment will be added into the ECBM Bylaws.

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NEW BUSINESS

| Agenda topic *ECBM Classic Location* | Presenter *Nick Matecki*

Discussion Conversation

Where should the 2018 “Classic” tournament be held?

Current proposals:

Black Lake

Onondaga/Oneida

Butterfield

Conclusion Closing

The club will vote on the location of the “Classic” tournament at the July club meeting.

Action items

Person responsible

Deadline

Determine lodging information

Nick Matecki

7/11/2018

| **Agenda topic** *Sodus Bay Start Time & Launch Site* | **Presenter** *Nick Matecki*

Discussion Conversation

Should we alter our launch time and location for the Sodus Bay tournament to avoid interference with other tournaments being held that morning?

Conclusion Closing

The start time of the Sodus Bay tournament will be changed to 5:30 AM and we will be launching from the Bay Bridge launch.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Determine lodging information	Nick Matecki	7/11/2018

| **Agenda topic** *Fish care assistance for the FLW tournament* | **Presenter** *Mike Schmitt*

Discussion Conversation

Can we provide any assistance with fish care and fizzing fish for the upcoming FLW tournament being held July 26-28 on Lake Erie?

Conclusion Closing

Several members have expressed interest but no firm commitment has been made. More information is required.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Gather more information regarding tournament, current fish care practices, and other volunteers.	Mike Schmitt	7/11/2018

| **Agenda topic** *Tournament Draw* | **Presenter** *Nick Matecki*

Discussion Conversation

Tournament Draw for Sodus Bay:

Conclusion Closing

Boater	Non-Boater
Nick Pares	Joe Ferraro III
Joe Ferraro Jr.	Jason Sauer
Rick Von Kramer	Mike Creighton
Tim Creighton	Nick Sanderson
Dave Young	<i>(Empty Seat)</i>

Nick Matecki	<i>(Empty Seat)</i>
Bruce Van Wyck	<i>(Empty Seat)</i>

ADJOURNMENT

| Time Adjourned 8:34 PM | Motion to Adjourn: Dave Young | Second: Nick Pares

