

**SC Governor's Cup Billfishing Series Advisory Board of Directors Meeting**  
**Thursday, September 3, 2015 10:00 AM**  
**Administration Building Conference Room (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor)**  
**Marine Resources Center, Charleston, SC**

**GCAB Members Present:** G. Smith, P. Loy, M. Rogers, T. Hancock, S. Leasure, B. Morris, M. Daniels, H. Johnson, C. Jennings, D Sykes, S. Holder, J. Reed (Superior Diesel)

**GCAB Members Absent:** B. Roof

**DNR Staff Present:** W. Jenkins, A. Dukes, D. Whitaker, M. Ingle, K. Spry, S. Bobertz

**Guests:** S. Hurteau, Dan Carter, Brian Bell, Bill Hood, Jon Horton, McKenzie Hutaff, Bobby Garmany (Via Conference Call), Deidre Menefee, Becca Boykin, Reid Bost

**Call Meeting to Order & Approval of Minutes: Chairman Smith**

Chairman Smith called the meeting to order and asked for a motion to approve the previous meeting's (Feb 2015) minutes. **P. Loy made a motion to approve the minutes; T. Hancock 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed unanimously.**

**Deputy Director's Comments: David Whitaker**

D. Whitaker congratulated the Board on a successful 27<sup>th</sup> season in Billfish Conservation, and welcomed guests to the Marine Division in Robert Boyles' absence.

**Public Comment: Chairman Smith**

N/A

**Tournament Committee Report: Stan Hurteau**

- Staff provided a handout summarizing motions that were made during the Tournament Committee meeting Friday, August 28, 2015. No action was taken here – items were carried forward to New Business.
- Wally reviewed the memo from Buddy Smith and Becca Jones withdrawing their request to host a Series event in 2016. Chairman Smith recognized their 14 years of commitment to the Governor's Cup Billfishing Series.
- Dan Carter provided an overview of the Marina at Edisto's qualifying tournament held July 22-25<sup>th</sup> including ideas for future tournament enhancements.

**Old Business: Wally Jenkins**

- SC Memorial Reef Update: the SAFMC is moving through the process to move the "box" of the Type 2 MPA to include the barge that landed outside the previously permitted area. He reviewed the status of DNR taking over the management of the SC Memorial Reef foundation. DNR will manage the monies and donations given to the foundation in conjunction with Harry Hampton Wildlife Foundation. DNR is still working on taking over the management of the website. Wally presented the SCMR Foundation with a \$2000 donation from the 50/50 Tournament.

**New Business: Wally Jenkins**

- Approval of the 2015 Series Winners: **P. Loy made the motion to approve the 2015 winners as presented. M. Rogers 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed unanimously.**

- Nomination for Carroll A. Campbell Award and Mate of the Year Awards: Discussion ensued amongst the Board for the proposed annual Mate of the Year Award. The Board felt that it should be based upon Captains' input, and the decision would be based upon set parameters. **P. Loy made a motion to put it back to the Tournament Committee for the 2016 Series. D. Sykes 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed unanimously.**  
Two names were brought forth for the Carroll A. Campbell award for 2015: Manley Eubank and Sumner Pingree. **Manly Eubank was nominated for the award by written ballot.**  
Chairman Smith called for a motion to approve Bobby Garmony as the Tournament Committee Vice Chairman. **P. Loy made the motion to approve Bobby Garmony as Vice Chair of the Tournament Committee. B. Morris 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed unanimously.**
- **P. Loy made a motion to approve the proposed language addition to the G.C. Advisory Board Operation's document to match that of the Tournament Committee Guidelines and Operations. T. Hancock 2<sup>nd</sup>, approved unanimously.**
- **B. Morris made a motion to allow the Marina at Edisto to participate as a Series Tournament in 2016 based upon successful completion of their qualifying tournament held in July. M. Rogers 2<sup>nd</sup> – motion carried unanimously.**
- Due to potential over-lapping of tournaments, the 2016 Series Schedule was not approved by the Advisory Board. They advised Mr. Hurteau to take the proposed schedule back to the Tournament Committee for further review and report back to the Advisory Board at their next meeting.
- Amy provided the AB with a status update of the upcoming 2015 Awards Reception on September 25<sup>th</sup> at the Island House.
- Wally reviewed the 2015 revenue breakdown. Detailed expenditures will be reviewed at the next AB meeting.
- Amy reviewed several items including P/R, Rules, and Fundraising efforts for the 2016 Series that will be discussed at the next AB meeting.
- **H. Johnson made a motion for the next meeting date to be Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015. M. Rogers 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried unanimously.**

#### **Other Business**

- Chairman Smith asked Board & Tournament Committee members to think about social media avenues for the 2016 Series to better enhance Series publicity.

#### **Adjournment: Chairman Smith**

Chairman Smith asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. **P. Loy made a motion to adjourn. M. Rogers 2<sup>nd</sup>. Meeting adjourned at 11:55 am.**