

SC Governor's Cup Billfishing Series Advisory Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, February 25, 2016 10:00 AM
Administration Building Conference Room (3rd Floor)
Marine Resources Center, Charleston, SC

GCAB Members Present: G. Smith, M. Rogers, S. Holder, P. Loy, B. Roof, T. Hancock, S. Leasure, J. Reed (Superior Diesel), D. Sykes (via conference call), R. Stevens (ex officio), N. Pulliam (DNR Board Liaison)

GCAB Members Absent: H. Johnson, M. Daniels, B. Morris, C. Jennings

DNR Staff Present: R. Boyles, W. Jenkins, A. Dukes, M. Ingle, K. Spry

Guests: N/A

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 (Sept 2015) minutes. **T. Hancock made a motion to approve the minutes; S. Leasure 2nd, motion passed unanimously.**

Deputy Director's Comments: Robert Boyles

D.D. Boyles welcomed DNR Board Member and GCAB Liaison Norman Pulliam to the meeting. He also welcomed Ray Stevens from PRT.

Public Comment: Chairman Smith

N/A

Tournament Committee Report: A. Dukes

T.C. Hurteau was absent and Amy gave the report in his place. She provided and reviewed with the Board with a summary of past Tournament Committee/Advisory Board meeting discussions regarding possible rule changes.

Recommendations made by the Board included having Staff purchase Delorme satellite communicators to be used during each Series event to relay billfish catch reports from offshore; and provide feedback to Tournament Committee members to potentially upgrade individual tournament awards.

New Business: Wally Jenkins

A. *Budget:* The Board reviewed the Final 2015 report. The Board approved the 2016 Budget as proposed with **a motion made for P. Loy, 2nd M. Rogers; motion was approved unanimously.**

Wally gave a brief fundraising update and asked the Board to let him or Amy know of any new potential sponsors.

B. *Annual Report:* Wally requested a Board member to review the draft report for edits. Stokely Holder volunteered to do so.

C. *Nominations:* **T. Hancock made a motion to reappoint Harry Johnson, David Sykes, and Chris Jennings to a 2nd term on the GCAB, B. Roof 2nd, motion passed unanimously.**

Wally called for nominations for (2) upcoming Board vacancies in 2016. The three nominations were: Hunter Edwards (Hancock), Fred Bergen (Rogers), and Steve

Mungo (J. Reed). P. Loy made a motion to recommend the three nominees to fill the (2) vacancies for 2016 and (1) in 2017. M. Rogers 2nd, motion passed unanimously.

Greg Smith thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve as Chairman, and as a Board member for the past six years. He called for a nominee to serve as the next Chairman. S. Holder made a motion to nominate current Vice-Chairman Mark Rogers to serve as the next Board Chairman, S. Leasure 2nd, The Board voted unanimously to appoint him as their Chairman. The Vice-Chairman vacancy will be filled at the September 2016 Board meeting.

- D. *Date & Time of Next Meeting:* The next scheduled Board meeting will be Thursday, September 8th 2016 at 10:00 am.

Other Business

N/A

Adjournment: Chairman Smith

Chairman Smith asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. S. Leasure made a motion to adjourn. P. Loy 2nd. Meeting adjourned at 12:05 pm.