

SC Governor's Cup Billfishing Series Advisory Board of Directors Meeting
Tuesday, December 1, 2020, 10:00 AM
Via Virtual Meeting

GCAB Members Present: B. McClam, J. Kohl, J. Hill, F. Bergen, S. Holder, J. Reed, B. Gressette, C. Oxner, S. Mungo, T. Gredick, H. McAlhany, C. Sanders

GCAB Members Absent: B. Roof

DNR Staff Present: A. Dukes, P. Maier, R. Boyles, N. Pulliam, W. LaDue, M. Ingle

Guests: D. Carter, B. Bell

Call Meeting to Order & Approval of Minutes: Vice-Chairman Bergen:

Chairman Mungo called the meeting to order and asked for a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes. **John Hill made a motion to approve- F. Bergen 2nd Motion carried unanimously.**

Public Comment: N/A

Deputy Director's Comments: Phil Maier

D.D. Maier briefed the Board on DNR'S modified protocols during the pandemic. Staff continues to adjust and adapt to current conditions fulfilling their job duties. He reported our current Legislative package including proposed changes in law for cobia and flounder management.

Tournament Committee Report: A. Dukes

A.Dukes stated that the TC will meet after the 1st of the year and would discuss possible changes to the Fishing Guidelines for 2021; New Membership on the TC, and select a date for the individual Tournament Directors to meet prior to the start of the Series.

Old Business – A. Dukes:

A. SC Memorial Reef /Hwy 21 Bridge Project Update:

Amy briefed the Board on fundraising efforts as it is the primary issue with moving forward with the project. The Harry Hampton Board asked the GC Board to look at the Reef Fund in the GC account to assist with the project. The Memorial Reef website is up and coming and should be live by the next GC Board meeting. The Board discussed ideas to assist with fundraising. The option of naming rights for a certain monetary threshold was brought up. DNR Board Chairman Pulliam indicated that the Board would agree to that.

Chairman Mungo suggested that that the GC Board send names of potential donors to Amy and send letters out to them. He suggested starting a social media push and that the individual tournaments have a check off box on registrations for donations to the reef fund.

New Business: ALL

A. Final Revenue Breakdown for 2020:

Amy gave a final revenue breakdown for the 2020 season. She noted that the Series continues to benefit from great sponsorship pledges.

B. 2020 Expenditures:

Amy reviewed final expenditures to date noting that several will roll into 2021. The Board asked that going forward that Memorial Reef expenditures be included in the Budget report.

C. Approval of Reappointment for Advisory Board Members:

A motion was made by F. Bergen and 2nd by J. Kohl to re-appoint Chairman Mungo, Mr. John Hill and Mr. Stokely Holder to serve a second term on the Advisory Board of Directors. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Nomination and Approval of New Advisory Board Members:

There were three nominees presented to the Board for new members: Douglas Jennings, Robert Rodelsperger and Wesley Frierson. S. Holder withdrew Robert Rodelsperger at this time and will renominate when another vacancy is available.

A motion was made by B. Gressette and 2nd by C. Sanders to appoint Mr. Wesley Frierson and Mr. Douglas Jennings for consideration to the DNR Board of Directors to fill two Governor's Cup Advisory Board of Directors vacancies.

E. 2021 Series Planning Discussion:

- 1. Rule Changes:** Amy stated that there are some possible language changes but that that would be taken to the Tournament Committee first and then brought to the Board at their next meeting.
- 2. Awards Reception:** Amy noted that the Awards Reception has been booked for October 1st, 2021 at Founders Hall and Charlestowne Landing.

Other Business: ALL N/A

Adjournment: Chairman Mungo:

Meeting was adjourned at 10:57 am.