SC Governor’s Cup Billfishing Series Advisory Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, September 2, 2021, 10:00 AM
Administration Building Conference Room (3rd Floor)/Virtual
Marine Resources Division, Charleston, SC

GCAB Members Present:  B. McClam, F. Bergen, S. Mungo, J. Reed, J. Hill, B. Gressette, H. McAlhaney


GCAB Members Absent:  J. Kohl

DNR Staff Present:  Director Boyles, Dukes, Gooding, LaDue, Ingle

Guests:  Loyd Weston, B. Aimar

Call Meeting to Order - Chairman Mungo:
Chairman Mungo called the meeting to order.

Public Comment:
Loyd Weston (new CBC Tournament Director) commented and requested that the AB consider ways to increase profitability for individual tournaments. One of his suggestions was to alter the Corporate Sponsorship associated benefits that negatively impact the tournaments.

D.D. Comments – Director Boyles:
• Director Boyles gave an update on Deputy Director Maier’s surgery and current recovery period at home.
• He thanked the Series for their continued efforts in Blue Water Conservation.
• He noted the absence felt at the recent retirement of Wally and his contributions to the Series over the past decade +.

Tournament Committee Report - B. Garmony:
A. 2021 Review and Wrap-Up: The TC felt the 2021 Series was a very successful and positive year
B. 2021 Series Winners: The TC approved all the Series Winners
   1. The TC Sent recommendations to the AB for Mate of the Year and the Carrol A. Campbell award
C. 2022 Possible Rules Change: To be discussed at the next AB meeting
D. 2022 Proposed Tournament Schedule: Presented, action later in meeting
E. 2023 Proposed Tournament Schedule: Presented

Old Business: ALL
Amy updated the AB on the S.C. Memorial Reef/Coastal Venture fundraising efforts. She suggested having a dockside event/silent auction to raise additional funds prior to the deployment of the ship.

New Business: ALL
A. Approval of the 2021 Series Winners- including Special Recognition Awards: AB members reviews the recommendations from the TC from the Series Winners and
Recognition nominations. Chairman Mungo opened the floor to accept the Tournament Committee nomination for Nan and Wally Jenkins for the Carroll A. Campbell award and Thomas Henry Key for Mate of the Year.

B. Gressette made a motion to approve the 2021 Series Winners as presented and for the Special Recognition Awards recipients as presented. F. Bergen 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

B. 2022 Tournament Schedule: Staff presented Bohicket’s request for a bye for their 2021 tournament and Megadock’s withdrawal letters. A motion was made by J. Hill to accept Bohicket’s bye and Megadock’s withdrawal. B. Gressette 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Staff presented the 2022 Proposed Tournament Schedule. A motion was made by S. Holder to approve the 2022 schedule as presented; J. Hill 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Staff requested that a process be drafted for tournaments requesting consideration for a bye be developed to provide clarification and consistency going forward.

C. Awards Reception Overview: Elizabeth provided the AB with overview of the upcoming Awards Reception to be held at Founder’s Hall on October 1.

D. 2022 Series Planning: Topics to be discussed at the next AB meeting to include License Changes, Sonar, NWS – split zone for small craft.

Other Business: ALL
Date & Time of Next Meeting: Thursday, November 4 at 10:00 am.

Adjournment: Chairman Mungo:
Chairman Mungo made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:37 AM.