

SC Governor's Cup Billfishing Series Advisory Board of Directors Meeting
Friday, December 7, 2018, 10:00 AM
Administration Building Conference Room (3rd Floor)
Marine Resources Center, Charleston, SC

GCAB Members Present: B. McClam, S. Mungo, J. Hill, J. Kohl, F. Bergen, S. Holder, D. Sykes

GCAB Members by Phone: C. Sanders, J. Reed, J. Carlisle

GCAB Members Absent: B. Roof, H. Johnson, C. Jennings, H. Edwards, J. Ives,

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

Guests: Claude Burns, Ed Keelin

Call Meeting to Order & Approval of Minutes: Chairman Mungo

Chairman Mungo called the meeting to order and asked for a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes (September 2018). **J. Hill made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, F. Bergen 2nd, motion carried unanimously.**

Public Comment: N/A

Deputy Director's Comments: Robert Boyles

D.D. Boyles updated the Board on the effects of the winter cold kill from earlier this year. It was not as bad as originally thought to be. Gov. McMaster has requested to declare a Shrimp Disaster to the Sec. of Commerce for last year. He also informed the Board of Phil Maier being named Assistant Deputy Director of MRD replacing David Whitaker after his retirement. He commented on the Series 30 years of Blue Water conservation.

Tournament Committee Report: B. Garmony/ A. Dukes

Amy notified the Board that Vice Chairman Garmony has agreed to serve as Chairman of the Tournament Committee if appointed. **F. Bergen made a motion to appoint Bobby Garmony as Tournament Committee Chairman. J. Hill 2nd, motion carried unanimously.**

Old Business: Amy Dukes

Amy reviewed the Federal Rules and Regulations regarding the use and deployment of FADs. Guest Claude Burns requested that the Board consider prohibiting them for the Series. The Board discussed the possible issues associated with that, and requested Staff look into language used at other tournaments regarding FADs and draft language to present at the January Tournament Committee meeting for consideration.

Amy informed the Board of progress on the Hwy 21 Bridge as the next possible deployment to the S.C. Memorial Reef. Staff were to meet with Senator Campsen along with representatives from DOT and United Construction in January 2019.

New Business: ALL

- A. Final Revenue Breakdown for 2018: Wally provided information outlining the categories of revenue and noted that 2018 was the highest revenue generating year in the Series history.
- B. 2018 Expenditures through September: Wally gave the Board all of the expenditure to date and requested the Board consider action for three additional expenditures for the Harry Hampton assessment fee, Wallace Pate scholarship and a Harry Hampton sponsorship. **A motion was made by F. Bergen for the Series to sponsor all of the requested expenditures as presented. S. Holder 2nd, motion carried unanimously.**
- C. 2019 Series Planning Discussion: Wally requested to the Board a possible change in venue for the Annual Rewards Reception to be moved the Founders Hall at Charles Towne Landing and sign a contract for 2019. **J. Hill made a motion to change the Awards Reception to the venue outlined by Wally. J. Kohl 2nd, motion carried unanimously.** Chairman Mungo discussed with members a conversation he had with former member T. Hancock about the concept of the Series moving to an all-release format for Billfish. He said he would entertain a motion from the Board. J. Hill made a motion to move to that format. No 2nd was made, however discussion ensued and S. Holder moved to table the issue to have opportunity to discuss how the Rules would be changed and points awarded. The Board sent to back to the Tournament Committee for further input and recommendation.
- D. Executive Order: D.D. Boyles provided an overview of the DNR Draft SCGC Advisory Board Policy Document. This will require action by the DNR Board. Vice Chairman Bergen has reviewed and commented on the Draft Document presented by Staff.
- E. Date & Time of Next Meeting: The next scheduled meeting of the Board will be Friday, February 8, 2018.

Other Business: ALL N/A

Adjournment: Chairman Mungo

Chairman Mungo adjourned the meeting at 11:00 AM