

**PA Suskie Bassmasters
Director Meeting Minutes
Wednesday 8-26-15 Kirby Launch**

BOD Attendance: Chuck Saypack, Frank Slymock, Ed Mrochko, Rob Rosencrans, Jim Lacomis, Chris Ostrowski, Kenny Phillips

Call to Order: Ed called the meeting to order at 9:30 PM.

Quorum: A quorum was established as all 7 board members were present.

Guests: None

Prior Minutes: N/A

New Business: Purpose of the meeting was to re-organize the officers as per our bylaws.

It was noted that Jim and Chris were the only nominations received for the August director elections. As they were the incumbents, the board made the decision to forego the general elections in August and reinstate Jim and Chris as directors.

Pursuant to that decision, Frank made a motion for the secretary to cast one ballot for Jim and Chris. Jim seconded the motion and the entire board voted to accept the motion.

As the bylaws require a director to be on the board for 2 years prior to holding an office, Rob made a motion to waive the 2-year requirement for officers so that Jim and Chris can carry on as Secretary and Treasurer for 2016. Frank seconded the motion and the motion was passed by the entire board.

Rob produced ballots for election of officers that he had brought with him and asked that the board vote for officers via a secret ballot. Jim said that in lieu of a secret ballot; he'd like to have an open discussion about officers. Jim noted that all board members and many members seemed to think that the club ran very smoothly this year as evidenced by many positive member comments made during the course of the year.

Frank suggested that we keep all the officers the same at which point Rob let it known that he was not happy with that outcome and that was why he wanted a secret ballot to see where the other board members stood on the election of officers. He went on to say that in no uncertain terms, he was the one who started the club, he was the one that had been with the club since day 1, he was the only board member who did anything for years, especially after Norm could not remain an active member, and that he alone was the reason it has remained successful, and therefore, in his mind, he was the one that deserved to be president of the club. He said that he wanted to be president since it was the 10 year milestone of the club that he started. He went on to say that the reason Lynda resigned was so he could be president with no conflict of interest. He then went on to give the board the ultimatum that if he was not elected president he would resign from office and quit the club after the 2015 season. Rob mentioned that he was the one who recommended the existing board members and that now his interpretation was that we were trying to take over his club. At this point the remaining board members took offense to his comments and said that they all had a vested interest in the club and all shared responsibility for its success. They explained that the club has evolved into something bigger than any one person but Rob did not seem to share this sentiment, again insisting that his immense responsibilities as the tournament director, trumped those of any other member or director of the club.

A heated discussion continued and Chris made a motion to table the discussion for 2 weeks so that we could all have time to calm down and reflect on what was said. Jim seconded the motion to table the re-org meeting. At that point, Rob abruptly left the meeting and the remaining 6 board members voted unanimously to table the re-organization meeting for 2 weeks.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:05