

**Keowee Anglers Board Meeting
March 9, 2017**

Board Members Present: Bob Stromberg, Tom Tamanini, John Wilson, Bill Walker, Bill Smith, Bill Walker and Dave Garrison

Not Attending: Charles Townson, Dave Brandt, and Dave Goeckel

Bob Stromberg called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM at The Seneca Family Restaurant.

Treasurer's Report - John Wilson

- Bank Balance – \$2,246.85
- Membership Count – Total 118
- Inventory – Lure Covers 118, patches 103, 9 CD's, and hat bands 5.

Tournament Director's Report – Bill Walker

- For the April tournament, we have 38 members registered with 11 days remaining to sign up. The mix is 22 Strat. A and 16 Strat. B., with 29 with boats.
- We will have 37 for lunch at this point.

Program Directors Report – Bill Smith & Tom Tamanini

- A review of the panel discussion at March's general meeting indicates that it went very well and should be a part of our program plans for 2018. Member George Lamp suggested giving the panel participants a set amount of time for presenting their subjects as opposed to having the discussion driven by questions from the attendees. After discussion it was decided to leave the format as is for another year to see if the questions posed might be more varied. The questions this year were heavily about electronics because of the program given by Lowrance representative Ken Sturdivant at the February meeting.
- Tom reported that Ken Sturdivant is scheduled to provide 4 days of instruction to members who have signed up beginning March 21st. The booking is completely full for those days.
- It is too early to obtain commitments from speakers for the 2017 – 2018 winter meetings.

Adopt an Island Update – Dave Goeckel (by phone)

- Both islands will be given a thorough cleaning during late April or early May

Anglers Angle – Bob Stromberg

- Bob has and will continue to send out reminders about the submission of "Real Time Fishing Reports" to encourage all members new or old to submit them.
- He will continue to send out appropriate "Anglers Angle" fishing tips with the goal of at least 1 per week. He tries to have 10 or more tips in the bank and has 12 right now. When appropriate they will be sent out for current seasonal conditions and patterns.

Website Administrator – Dave Brandt

- No report

Old Business –

- At the suggestion of members, a “Fishing Partner” section has been added to our website where members can place their names indicating that they are looking for partners to fish with. So far seven members have signed up. The Board asked Dave Brandt to add a statement to the signup sheet that the persons not using their boat offer to contribute to the cost of gas or some similar arrangement.
- Hummingbird Electronics Seminar – It was suggested that we try to have Hummingbird put on a similar seminar to Lowrance’s in the future. Tom Tamanini is looking into the possibility.

New Business –

- Non Boater’s Contribution Toward Gas Cost - After reviewing Charles Townson’s written comments and a discussion on the matter, the Board recommended the following –
 - That for tournaments we leave the suggestion the non-boater pay for the boater’s lunch.
 - For general fishing outings or the “mentoring program” the participants should work out a plan between them.

Bob Stromberg called the meeting adjourned at 10:05 AM.

Submitted by: Dave Garrison, Secretary