

**Keowee Anglers Board Meeting  
May 11, 2017**

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

Charles Townson called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM at The Seneca Family Restaurant.

**Treasurer's Report - John Wilson**

- Bank Balance – \$2,082.75
- Membership Count – Total 122
- Inventory – Lure Covers 100, patches 103, 4 CD's, and hat bands 5.

**Tournament Director's Report – Bill Walker**

- Results have been sent out for the May Tournament.
- The longest fish entries will be updated this week.
- Our next tournament will be October 4 & 5
- Bill had forwarded an edited version of the “Keowee Anglers Tournament Descriptions” for review and comments prior to reissuing it to the membership.
  - A discussion ensued about how many lines each angler might have active at any given time? In particular, whether an angler trolling should be allowed to have two lines active at the same time? A discussion on the pros and cons followed. Dave Goeckel moved that we change the rule to “only one line in the water at a time per angler”. Bob Stromberg seconded the motion. The motion was defeated 7-2.
  - Except for other very minor changes, the Board approved the document. Bill will release it to the membership when the changes have been made.

**Program Directors Report – Bill Smith & Tom Tamanini**

- Dan Rankin of SCDNR has agreed to be one of our winter 2017-18 programs. Still trying to pin down which meeting it will be.
- Tom is trying to locate a representative from Hummingbird to give a presentation to our members on its electronics. So far he is not having much luck at all.
- We are still planning on the panel discussion for the March program.

**Adopt an Island Update – Dave Goeckel**

- Fran Port, Gary Kuba, and Dave will perform the cleanup of Islands #1C and #3 sometime after May 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Anglers Angle – Bob Stromberg**

- There has been an increase in real time reports in the last few weeks and I will continue to send them out as received. I will also send reminders to submit reports with good or bad catches as all information is helpful.
- I continue to search for relevant tips to help club members. Plan is to continue to send out 1 or 2 a week. Seasonal tips will sent when appropriate. I try to keep a minimum of 10 tips banked. Currently I have 13 tips in the bank.
- The first Real Time Summer meeting is on June 1. I will be out of town and Bill Walker has agreed to run the meeting. I will send 2 emails to members to remind them of this meeting.

### **Website Administrator – Dave Brandt**

- Website activity ... April had the highest number of visits this year at 174 driven by the tournaments. Through 5/9 we've already had 62 so May could be even higher than April.
- The site has the May tournament winners posted along with their pictures.
- I added an announcement of the summer meetings along with the meeting description that Bob provided.
- The 2017 "Longest Fish" posting is up-to-date.
- The "Fishing Partners" list has had some activity with a total of 10 members on the list.
- Dave Garrison suggested to Dave that since his position is one requiring specific technical expertise, shouldn't he consider developing a back up? This would provide continuity for the position when Dave decides to step down. The Board agreed and asked Garrison to send an email to the membership seeking volunteers. Dave Brandt will send Garrison a list of requirements for the position.

### **Old Business –**

- Hummingbird Electronics Seminar – (See Program Directors' Report)
- Lions' Fishing Tournament – due to high winds, the tournament was cancelled.

### **New Business –**

- Charles Townson suggested that the club might consider a raffle with the prize being a mailbox decoration with a fishing theme that was donated to the club. The proceeds of the raffle could be donated to a charity or just added to our treasury. Tom Tamanini suggested that it could be used for a drawing at the end of 2017 with those that entered any of our tournaments eligible. This would possibly be an incentive for more members to participate. After further discussion Tom Tamanini moved that we do not consider either possibility. The motion was seconded and approved by the Board.
- Charles Townson commented that several members had approached him about the possibility of increasing our Random Match Tournaments from the current number 4. After discussion the Board agreed to keep the schedule to 4 tournaments.

Charles Townson called the meeting adjourned at 10:30 AM.

Submitted by: Dave Garrison, Secretary