

August 14<sup>th</sup> 2022 AZBN meeting minutes

**\*\*Fall Election**

Nominations need to be submitted by Sept 15, 2022. Anyone can nominate someone for a position. Included below is taken from the Az Bass Nation bylaws.

**Procedure to revise By-Laws:**

Proposed revisions to this document must be made by the following procedures:

- Submit in writing to the Board via Club presidents and can be at any time during the year.
- Proposed revision will then be reviewed by the Board and read aloud at the next AZBN meeting.
- This information must then be reviewed by the club membership and approved or disapproved. The clubs final results must be forwarded to the Board no later than 1 day prior to the next AZBN meeting. (One vote per Club)
- At the next meeting the results will be read aloud and a majority of club votes will either approve or disapprove the proposed revision. If approved, the revision will become effective 30 days after approval.
- All AZBN clubs must be in good standing to be included in the voting process of any new/changes to the current or existing by-laws.
- Any member in good standing of the AZBN is eligible to submit a proposed by-law change, following the process in place.

When submitting a By-law change the following information must be included to be eligible for submission. Identify the section of the by-laws that the potential revision is affecting. Provide the exact wording of the current by-law that is being addressed. Provide the exact wording of the potential change that is being submitted for change consideration/voting. Once this information is provided a by-law revision is considered complete and ready for submission to the Governing Board.

**In the event for an unforeseen reason the Arizona B.A.S.S Nation disbands and no longer runs as an organization; all of its assets will be sold and all monetary balances will be donated to a local youth charity.**

- **Final authority for the interpretation of all Arizona B.S.S. Federation Nation by Laws shall rest with the governing board.**
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\*\* Just a reminder that the next qualifier is at Martinez Lake on Sept 24, 2022. Hopefully we will see everyone at that event.

\*\* I would also like to give everyone an update on the IRS tax status and the application for reinstatement as a non-profit organization. This summer we were finally able to get the taxes prepared and filed for the last 7 years that had not been taken care of. This in itself was a big reason why AZ BASS Nation lost its Non-Profit status several years ago. Taxes for 2015-2021 have been filed with the IRS. Along with that AZ BASS Nation application for reinstatement with retroaction has been filed. We are still waiting for the approval on that. Nothing happens fast with the IRS. I will keep everyone updated as any new information is received. This whole process has been in the works for almost 2 years. It was a process that took an extreme amount of homework and preparation. Moving forward it should be a lot smoother and easier to keep such matters current and up to date.

\*\* Recently I have had conversations with Pat Hanning from Tucson about starting a Kayak Division of the AZ Bass Nation. He reached out to me and is putting a plan/program together that might come to fruition for the year of 2023. As any new info comes along on this I will pass it on. This is still in the development process.