

Community Center, Sea Isle City, NJ

9:00 call to order:

Welcome, flag salute & remain standing for moment of silence for our departed members

Roll call of asac club: Jane Jefferys Secretary, 19 clubs present (see attached)

9:05 Speaker Brendon Harrison, NJ Division of Fish & Wildlife, technician, bureau of marine fisheries, they do the surveys on the beach during the tournaments.

9:34 Ed Markowski NJ Federation of Sportsman Clubs, they have a small budget and do HOFNOD tournaments, working to get more women involved. Greg O'Connell wanted to know why Brigantine was closed 5/15-9/15 for piping plovers?

9:45 Reading of previous year(s) minutes: Jane Jefferys Secretary, 1 correction (see attached)

motion Bob Moore , 2nd Gene Aikens, vote 18-0 approved

9:47 Treasurers report: Jane Jefferys Secretary, submitted by absent Arlene Perkowski

See attached Approved 18-0

10:00 2018 Tournament schedule: Greg O'Connell

tournament schedule to be considered finalized upon conclusion of today's mtg (see attached)

HOFNOD dates could fluctuate, check web site & fb page as events get closer

RH Rods date moved up 1 week

American Angler & OCFC tournaments added

American Angler & Ocean City Fishing Club events contingent upon clubs being voted in as ASAC clubs by membership

Lynda needs judges for Shaner tournament in Sept.

Committee reports:

Membership – Jane Jefferys, provisional club American Angler 6/1/17. Bob Rinier complained that no notice was give to membership about American Angler submitting application. Rinier does not think Am Angler should host a tournament if provisional club. (Hudson River Fisherman's Assoc ran bad tournaments)

2018 HOFNOD schedule – Jim Jefferys dates on calendar

2018 Golf Outing – Jim Jefferys 4/21/18 Avalon Country Club, \$120.

March 3, 2018 Banquet – Greg O'Connell (Lynda Greaves not present) increased attendance, made money and all seemed to have a good time, asac awards to given out. shirts & jackets changed, sjsc jacket being corrected. could not get in time for today's mtg, 2019 banquet to be same weekend but will need a new venue. suggestions?

Bob Rinier thanked Lynda Greaves for doing such a great job!

10:20 Scholarship – Bob & Jean Moore, Margie Skelly

Margie skelly added to committee, 1 @ 2018 submission thus far, taking applications until May 1, committee to review apps & pick winner, need criteria developed to help pick winner. what gets weighted more heavily?

10:25 Lou Ostrander: North Wildwood has no beach, Wildwood tourneys must use Wildwood and Wildwood Crest, there is a new bulkhead 2nd to 8th Sts. And the water is right there. Use both Wildwood and Wildwood Crest as both Mayors like the ideas of tournaments.

UMAPA/OBX – Jim Jefferys They want to change the name back to United Mobile Sportfishermen. They must re-organize and re-do all the corporate paperwork.

10:33 Insurance – More towns are stipulating no Alcohol on beach!

Beach Access – Kurt Renart NJBBA, no new info currently (Brigantine north end natural area)

10:40 Bob Rinier submitted paperwork for identifying flounder, winter flounder and sundial to be put on website for host clubs to download to distribute at their tourneys.

Regulatory – Greg O’Connell fluke & seabass regs to be decided on April 4th, please encourage all your members to be registered, no other significant changes for 2018

11:00 web site & social media: Greg O’Connell web site is main source of info, but Facebook is instantaneous. if club wants an event or fundraiser shared please let us know.

11:04- Lunch Break to 11:38

11:38 ASAC sponsors: Rich Hedenberg and Carl Hartmann went through the current 2018 sponsors. New: Chris Gibbons, bait tables, dead line for printing of bags & banners, list of items host clubs can expect, hosts should not rely solely on ASAC for prizes. hit places local to your event.

ASAC gear: see Carl Hartmann during break for t-shirts or sweatshirts

50/50 winner \$50.00

11:50 voting items:

American Angler’s club (provincial in 2018, vote in as full member club) Approved 16-0
Ocean City Fishing Club (past member club looking to rejoin) Approved 17-0

12:00 by law changes – 4 items total

1. Senior assisted casting provision: Merchantville Fishing Club – keep same as 2017 on another 1yr trial basis Approved 17-0
2. Keep the minimum size for a scoring bluefish @ 11”, same as 2017, on another 1yr trial basis Approved 17-0
3. Change of drop form bylaw –bylaws section 2, letter h, last sentence to read as follows..... when non host clubs choose a tournament, they must turn the “drop form” in, by mail or email, or submission at the presidents or annual meeting, to the secretary by the first Saturday in April.
amend section I to first Saturday in April Approved 17-0 (see attached)
4. Scholarship Program – Up the amount to be given out to \$1000, and it can be divided in half if appropriate. Also change parent, guardian and family member. The Association of Surf Angling Clubs of NJ, Inc., a/k/a ASAC, shall establish an annual scholarship fund in the amount of \$1000.00. The scholarship shall be named “The Flo Pancoast Memorial Scholarship.” There can be one or more awards per year in an amount to be determined by the ASAC Board of Directors but not to exceed \$1000.00. The recipient/recipients of the scholarship will be a graduating senior that is a member of an ASAC club in good standing or has parents/guardians and/or a family member that is members of an ASAC club in good standing. (see attached) Approved 17-0

President comments: Greg O’Connell thank board, thank member clubs for another year as president, **we have been approved as a 501c3** but don’t have official paperwork from Govt yet. Next, we will be applying for a raffle license. volunteer program, comment on state of the Association

2018 elections: run by Vice President (Lynda, or Jane J if not present)

Nominations for President, Vice President, Assistant Vice President (2), Secretary, Treasurer: Current slate of officers re-nominated and elected 18-0

Nomination for open trustee position Sean Kelly 6 votes, Gene Aikens 1vote, Bob Colepardi 3 votes, Vinny Morris 5 votes. Sean Kelly elected

Thanks for attending. see everyone at 2018 events.