



## NBAA: MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Date :	Wednesday, 21 November 2018
Time:	17:00 for 17:30
Venue:	Baurnstube Restaurant, Conference Room Thorpe Street, Windhoek, Namibia

### 1. WELCOMING

- 1.1 The chairman, Mr. Richard Grant, welcomed all members, new members and returning old members to the NBAA AGM.  
The chairman officially declared the 18<sup>th</sup> annual general meeting of the Namibia Bass Angling Association open.

### 2. MEMBERSHIP

- 2.1 As of the 21<sup>st</sup> of November 2018 the NBAA stood on **74 members** in total which is made up of:

60	Active & country senior members (including 4 new / returning old members for 2018)
5	Non-active junior members
9	Non-active ladies members

The chairman mentioned that he would love to see those juniors and ladies becoming active again in the very near future.

### 3. ATTENDANCE

- 3.1 An attendance register was circulated and signed by all parties present.
- 3.2 The meeting was attended by 16 NBAA members and the annual general meeting is declared as official as per article 8.3.13. A quorum of an annual general meeting shall be the members present at said annual general meeting.

Vice Chairman for 2018, Mr Alec Williams was not in attendance at the meeting. The chairman said the following regarding Mr Williams' absenteeism:

*“Mr Alec Williams is not in attendance today as Mr Williams resigned from EXCO with immediate effect on the 26<sup>th</sup> of October 2018. I would like to use this platform to thank Alec for the 8 years of service to the NBAA, 4 years of which as Vice Chairman of the NBAA. Putting 8 years of your life into running and improving the sport of bass angling in Namibia takes a special kind of person and each and every member of the NBAA owes Alec true appreciation for being part of what has happened within the NBAA over the past 8 years. I would like to ask you all to just give that some thought, 8 years, that's a long time and a lot of sacrifice for each and every one of your enjoyment. Alec's contributions for fund raising over the past 8 years have been instrumental for the NBAA as well as for all national teams since 2011. The financial aid received by teams over the last few years has been largely due to input from Alec. Thank you Alec for all your input over the years. You are a true NBAA hall of famer.”*

#### 4. APOLOGIES

4.1 Apologies were noted for the following members:

- James van Rooyen
- Lourens Delport
- Alec Williams

#### 5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

ACTION

5.1 Correction under point 10.3 to be made, the motion did carry during the AGM of 2017 however the minutes read the motion **did not carry**.

The correction will be made on the AGM minutes of 2017.

CC

**The point in the incorrect minutes reads as follows:**

*‘10.3 Motion to adopt selection criteria for FIPSeD/ CIPS Black Bass World Championships as Selection Criteria for International Team in House Rules. Same criteria was applied for 2017 team (Article 7.9.D International Team Selection Criteria)*

*Mr Max Pieper mentioned that FIPSeD/CIPS do allow the selected team to have one (1) non-national team member. The team will still be given National Colours for participating in the event is will just be the one (1) non-national angler that will not receive National Colours.*

*It was proposed the selection criteria be revised as currently Article 7.9.D does not make provision for non-national (Namibian) team member to be able to participate.*

*Motion not carried. EXCO of 2018 will need to write the selection criteria for FIPSeD / CIPS Black Bass World Championships in the NBAA House Rules. ’*

RG

The executive council of 2018 in fact carried the motion by adding **7.9.F. International Team Selection Criteria – FIPSeD / CIPS World Championships** to the association house rules on the update dated 11.12.2017.

5.2 The acceptance of the minutes was proposed by Mr J. Coetzee and seconded by Mr M. Pieper and unanimously accepted by the meeting provided that the above correction be made.

#### 6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

The chairman informed the meeting that the executive council of 2018 have identified some urgent matters arising from the minutes of 2017. The following points were identified:

6.1 NBAA Alliance / Membership cards – this matter has been on the agenda since 2016. The need for such alliance cards / membership cards has become an urgent priority for EXCO of 2019 and deadline for full implementation is set for the end of February 2019. Members will be asked to pay the cost of the card to start enjoying the benefits.

Refer to annexure 1 – Draft letter to potential alliance partners.

The chairman asked the meeting if there were any business owners amongst the meeting attendees willing to commit to becoming alliance partners with the NBAA. The chairman put his hand up and verbally committed to having his own business as an NBAA alliance partner.

Refer to annexure 2 – Proposed lay-out of the NBAA membership card.

The chairman elaborated on the sheer magnitude of this endeavor and that the success of the initiative can only be guaranteed provided that the NBAA gets the support of all members.

The chairman felt it important to draw attention to the point below from the 2017 AGM. The motion was implemented successfully in 2018 and the conservation committee feels that due to this a huge milestone has been achieved aiding in the recovery of our fisheries.

- 6.2 Special “no fishing areas” must be established on Von Bach and Oanob Dam for the year to help promote less fishing pressure and interference on some of the bigger fish in these dams.  
This motion was implemented successfully in 2018 and will continue for the future. Thank you to the conservation committee for all their input here, a job well done. 2018 paved the way for the future and there will always be areas on dams which will be closed to NBAA members. I would like to appeal to all members to respect the decisions made. There have been rumors of members not adhering to the requests which have been a real low blow for the conservation committee and for me personally after all the work and effort that has been put in by a lot of people.

Correction on point 10.3 to be done and AGM minutes of 2017 will be send out with the minutes of 2018.

**7. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON THE 8<sup>TH</sup> OF FEBRUARY 2018**

The acceptance of the minutes was proposed by N van Tonder and seconded by M Pieper and unanimously accepted by the meeting.

**8. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING (SGM) HELD IN THE 8<sup>TH</sup> OF FEBRUARY 2018**

The meeting was once again informed by the chairman of the following matter arising from the SGM minutes was identified by the executive council.

Refer to point 12 on the minutes. The way forward as far as incorporating the motions discussed at the Special GM into the house rules of the NBAA will be discussed in point 12 of this meeting. Teams selected for 2019 will be in accordance with all motions voted in at the SGM. The motions voted in were immediately applicable for 2019 teams due to extenuating circumstances brought upon by the drought.

**9. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE ANNUAL REPORTS**

**9.1 The following annual reports were presented with subsequent approval of the meeting:**

- Chairman’s Report – Can we viewed on [www.nbaanamibia.com](http://www.nbaanamibia.com)
- Development Report – Can we viewed on [www.nbaanamibia.com](http://www.nbaanamibia.com)
- Conservation Report – Can we viewed on [www.nbaanamibia.com](http://www.nbaanamibia.com)
- Public Relations Report – Can we viewed on [www.nbaanamibia.com](http://www.nbaanamibia.com)
- Tournament Director Report – Can we viewed on [www.nbaanamibia.com](http://www.nbaanamibia.com)
- Captains Report (Region 5 / FIPSeD/ CIPS Black Bass World Championships/ Presidents Test) – Can we viewed on [www.nbaanamibia.com](http://www.nbaanamibia.com)
- BNC 2018 reports (Boater & Non-Boater) – Can we viewed on [www.nbaanamibia.com](http://www.nbaanamibia.com)  
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**10. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT AND STATEMENTS 2017**

Mr N van Tonder, NBAA Treasurer, informed the NBAA that the financial statement has been completed for 2017 by Ben Mouton Chartered Accountants.

The management statement for 2018 was put forward. The Management statements are from the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2018 till 31<sup>st</sup> of October 2018.

Members present raised a few queries regarding the income and expenses for all NBAA events held during the 2017 which could not be clarified without the relevant documentation.

The executive council of 2019 was mandated by the meeting to call a special general meeting (SGM) early in 2019 to provide clarity as Mr van Tonder did not have all relevant documentation available at the meeting as

the queries date back to the 2017 financial year.

The executive council of 2019 was also mandated to collect all outstanding debt to the NBAA. Should there be any outstanding debt by the time of the SGM in January the option of making use of debt collectors will be explored.

A suggestion was put forward for a point of sale service to be made available at all fund raising event for 2019 for the NBAA to collect all funds immediately and no buyer must be allowed to collect the item/s bought before payment.

The suggestion was welcomed by the meeting and the executive council will ensure that is implemented in 2019 and going forward.

## **11. FUND RAISING EVENTS 2018 – INCOME GENERATED/ EXPENSES (FULL BREAKDOWN)**

### **11.1 Golf & Bowls Day:**

The full financial breakdown of the golf & bowls day including Region V expenses is appended to these minutes. The golf & bowls day was hosted and organized by members of the 2018 Region V team under the umbrella of the NBAA in aid of the 2018 Region V team as agreed upon at the 2017 AGM.

Due to an amount of N\$ 18 000 still outstanding as at the time of this meeting the golf / bowls day made a loss of N\$ 3 754. This effectively means that each member of the 2018 Region V team owes the NBAA N\$ 312.83 should the debt be written off. Members will be invoiced accordingly should the debt be written off.

### **11.2 Raffle:**

The full financial breakdown of the 2018 raffle is appended to these minutes.

A loss of N\$ 6 837 was made due to no participation & involvement from members in the selling of the raffle tickets. The chairman mentioned that the raffle will not take place in the future without commitment from members.

The chairman quoted point 9.1. of the 2017 AGM minutes to illustrate to all members present just how successful a raffle can be provided that all members support the initiative:

*“2017 NBAA Raffle – N\$ 38 600.00 and only 193 out of a 1 000 tickets were sold. The NBAA will once again have a raffle in 2018. The chairman appealed to all members to get involved with the sale of raffle tickets and possibly the sponsorship of prizes.”*

A suggestion was made that the raffle be incorporated with the Summer Bass Classic and the draw will take place during the event. Thus you need to be present to be able to win the prizes.

The suggestion was welcomed by the meeting and the executive committee of 2019 has been mandated to table the above when the viability of a 2019 raffle is discussed.

### **11.3 Corporate Bass Challenge:**

The full financial breakdown of the 2018 raffle is appended to these minutes.

The 2018 CBC effectively made a loss N\$ 16 000. Fortunately, the NBAA's good relationship with Lake Oanob Resort resulted in the NBAA being offered a credit of N\$ 11 278 by Lake Oanob resulting in an actual loss of N\$ 4 722. The credit will be utilized for the hosting of the 2019 event. The few teams that had entered had to be refunded and Old Mutual had to be refunded too.

The chairman expressed his utter disappointment in the lack member support for the CBC. The event has become an exceptionally important development event for the NBAA. The chairman appealed to all members to assist with the 2019 event or face the event being cancelled.

## **12. DISCUSSION OF MOTIONS AND NOTIFICATIONS SUBMITTED BY EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

### **12.1 Junior development event for 2019/ Annual junior development. Inclusion of point system. (appended to these minutes)**

Motion received by Mr J. Coetzee and was read by Mr J. Coetzee

**Background to the motion:**

The chairman met with the president of Scouts of Namibia during the course of 2018 after having been contacted by Scouts of Namibia. It was decided that the NBAA would, in collaboration with Scouts of Namibia host junior events. The plan was to start in 2018 but the calendar unfortunately did not allow for an event to be squeezed in. The executive council decided to postpone to 2019. The potential of the collaboration could mean huge growth in the NBAA and possibly the re-introduction of a junior circuit within the NBAA.

**The motion put forward is as follows:**

1. A vote of approval to include 2 (two) junior development events in the NBAA Calendar for 2019. Proposed dates given the calendar (from which we should choose 2) will be:  
23 – 24 February 2019  
16 – 17 March 2019  
14 – 15 September 2019  
12 – 13 October 2019
2. A vote of approval to institute the “attendance points” system as with the 2018 Fisheries Management events. The Junior Development Events will not be a separate points system, but will rather be added to the Fisheries Management points, affording members more opportunity to accumulate attendance points to qualify for Namibian and/or NBAA representation.

A suggestion was put forward that 2 planned Fisheries Management weekends be replaced by the junior development events.

Mr M. Pieper informed the meeting that the Namibia Federation for Freshwater Anglers (NFFA) and NBAA gave a commitment to the Ministry of Fisheries to partake in at least 4 (four) weekend fisheries management events (8 days) and due to this, students from the University of Namibia (UNAM) are currently partaking in the event for a project they are currently doing at the University.

Due to this commitment it is imperative that at least 4 (four) fisheries management week-ends (specifically African sharptooth catfish sampling) are held in 2019. Damaging the current relationship with the Ministry of Fisheries & Marine Resources (MOF&MR) is not an option in this regard.

The voting took place as follows:

1. Approval of adding 2 junior development event to the NBAA calendar for 2019

**Motion carried and unanimously accepted.**

2. Approval of point for attendance to be given for attending the junior development events

**Motion not carried.**

All members present were in agreement and assured the meeting that junior week-ends would be well attended by members due to the importance of junior development. The meeting was adamant that adding a point system for attendance would not be needed.

3. Change the Fisheries Management weekends to 2 events for 2019:

**Motion not carried.**

4. The events for 2019 have been suggested as follows:
  - a. 2 x junior development events for 2019
  - b. 4 x Fisheries Management weekends for 2019

**Motion carried and unanimously accepted.**

The conservation committee will commit to holding 4 Fisheries Management weekends for 2019.

A lengthily discussion ensued pertaining to fisheries management and the point system adopted at the 2018 SGM. The chairman mentioned that the NBAA is a bass angling association and not a fisheries management

association and that attracting new members would be hard with such a system in place.

The outcome of the discussion resulted in the conservation committee being mandated to present a report of all costs involved with fisheries management week-ends which includes the hiring of people to assist to ensure that all scheduled events run flawlessly in accordance with the specifications laid out by the MOF&MR and the University of Namibia (UNAM).

Mr J. Engelbrecht reminded the meeting of the importance of junior development event terms & conditions, rules as well as indemnities. The 2019 executive council has been mandated to seek legal advice to ensure that the above measures are in place.

12.2 **Amendment to Article 7.9, National Selection Committee, of the House Rules to include angler history in team selection.**

(appended to minutes)

Motion received by Mr R. Grant and reads as follows:

The current international team (Region V & World Championships) team is selected on final ranking after an angling year and national trials on a 60% year point (best 2 out of 6 tournaments) and 40% national trails.

**Motion put forward as follows:**

1. Amendment of Article 7.9 of the House Rules to include anglers history in team selection

**Motion carried and unanimously accepted.**

2. Change the selection criteria to 50% of the current year point (as a percentage), 30% most recent National Trials & 20% to be made up of the better point of the last 2 national trials.

For example: In order to qualify for the 2020 Namibian National Team the selection committee will use the scores as follows:

50% of the (best 2 of 6 as a percentage) year point of 2019

30% of National Trials points of 2019

20% of National Trials points of the best either the 2017 or 2018 National Trials.

**Motion carried and unanimously accepted.**

12.3 **Amendment to Article 7.9 of the House Rules. National Selection Committee to incorporate point 4.4 of the 2018 Special General Meeting with changes determined.**

Motion received by R Grant and scraped from the meeting due to the discussion under point 12.1.

**Amendment / Addition to Article 11 of the House Rules. Inclusion of fisheries management / fisheries management week-ends with points.**

(appended to these minutes)

Refer to Annexure 7 – NBAA Conservation Officer Duties

Motion received from Mr J. Coetzee and read.

The 2018 season fisheries management events attendance was somewhat disappointing as mentioned in the Conservation Report.

1. In order to sustain the sport, we need active members attending and competing in the national competitions.
2. In order to secure fisheries to practice our sport, we need to have a committed task force to perform fisheries management on all our fisheries. Otherwise point 1 above will not be realizable.

As per the proposed NBAA calendar, there will be 2 (two) fisheries management events scheduled for the 2019 season, of 2 (two) days each. In total, these events, structured on the current basis, will in total have 4 (four) shifts and points on offer.

Then, considering the motion on Junior Development events, which will be 2 (two) events in total of 1 (one) day each, this will in total have 2 (two) shifts and points on offer.

In total, for Development and Fisheries management events, the 2019 season will only have 6 (six) shifts in

total.

**Motion:**

Considering all of the above, and in interest of finding and agreeing on a fair and workable solution for all members, the following motion is submitted for a vote:

1. That the proposed number of events set out above is approved and voted in.
2. That the number of attendance points for both fisheries management and development events together, be set at 2 (two) out of the six available points on offer to qualify for Namibian Team and NBAA representation on any level. These points can be obtained by attending any combination of official Junior Development events and/or Fisheries Management events.
3. That the financial contribution option be decrease pro rata from N\$ 30,000 for 5 (five) points during 2018 season, to N\$ 12,000 for 2 (two) points for the 2019 season. These financial contributions will need to be paid before the season starts, being the first NBAA National Competition for the 2019 season.
4. All other arrangements and rules regarding fisheries management events stay the same as previously.

**Motion not carried.**

The point system for fisheries management as voted in at the 2018 SGM has thus been scrapped completely. Fisheries management for 2019 and going forward has become the sole responsibility of the conservation committee and the executive council of the NBAA.

**12.4 Review of Annexure 12. 9.9 & 9.10 – Casting distance/ marker buoys**

(appended to these minutes)

Motion received by R Grant and was read.

Point 9.9. of annexure 12 to the NBAA house rules reads as follows:

*“9.9. Casting distance shall be casting distance of the lure, rig and rod currently fished, or a maximum radius of 40 meters around the boat. No fellow or competing boat is allowed within this casting distance radius, except to lend assistance in a distress situation.*

*9.10. No areas may be claimed verbally by any competitor or boat. Anglers are permitted to use marker-buoys to demarcate a fishing area, but will remain within a casting distance of any marker buoy. In the event of a marker buoy being used, the radius of 40 meters shifts from a competitor's boat to a radius around the marker-buoy being fished. Any marker-buoy falling outside of this casting distance, neglected by a competitor or not being fished by a competitor becomes null and void to the above regulations; unless it is retrieved and re-set by the original competing angler. An approaching angler may claim a null and void marker-buoy for his / her own use.”*

There are very few anglers that adhere to rule 9.9. In fact, there is a general perception within the NBAA that if you as an angler invite another angler in to fish within casting distance then it is not a contravention of the rule. There have been numerous instances in 2018 where boats literally lay abreast while fishing in a tournament.

Anglers also do not seem too bothered with marker buoys and casting distance of marker buoys.

**Motion put forward as follows:**

1. To enforce point 9.9. as per above or to include anglers inviting other anglers to fish spots together provided that a minimum distance of 10-20 meters is maintained at all times.

**Motion carried unanimously to enforce 9.9 and not amend the rule**

2. To enforce point 9.10 as per above or to incorporate the same principal for marker buoys as for casting distance.

**Motion carried unanimously to enforce 9.10 and not amend the rule**

The 40 meter radius will remain as stipulated in 9.10 in Annexure 12.

3. A motion was put forward to add the following wording to point 9.9:  
... a distress situation and an angler need to stop all angling activities when in a distress situation.

**Motion carried and unanimously accepted.**

When in a distress situation the angler needs to use a yellow signal of any kind to inform other anglers of the situation.

**12.5 Addition of point 9.12 to Annexure 12 – Pierce-less culling systems**

Mr R. Grant withdrew the motion as after extensive research there is no conclusive evidence that the ban on piercing culling systems is in fact going ahead in the USA.

**12.6 Addition to Annexure 12 Point 15 – Starting Order (random generator/ draw from a hat)**  
(appended to these minutes)

Motion received by Mr R. Grant and was read:

The most complaints received by the executive council from members for 2018 have been as a result of the random generator where members kept on believing that the system is flawed. Statistics have proven that the computer generated generator is in fact 100% random as its name states.

**Motion:**

1. Removal of Random generator pull away sequence

**Motion carried and unanimously accepted.**

2. To return to the system of drawing tags out of a hat at the captain's meeting on the morning of the tournament and to include that anybody that is late for captains meeting will move to the bottom of the starting order.

**Motion carried and unanimously accepted.**

**12.7 Updates made as per AGM 2017 to be ratified in 2018 – Constitution, House rules & NBAA bass angling tournament rules & regulations**

All updates have been done according to the 2017 AGM.

A typing error was identified in point 9.11. of annexure 12 which reads as follows:

*“9.11. Fishing tackle, lures may only be exchanged by anglers before the start of a tournament day. In the case of emergency assistance, an exception will be made.”*

**Motion:**

Remove: *“In the case of emergency assistance, an exception will be made.”* from point 9.11. of annexure 12.

**Motion carried and unanimously accepted.**

**13. DISCUSSION OF MOTIONS SUBMITTED BY MEMBERS**

None received.

**14. DISCUSSION OF OPEN LETTER RECEIVED FROM MEMBER**

**Open letter from M Pieper:**

(appended to these minutes)

Letter was read by M Pieper to all anglers present. The chairman asked Mr Pieper to read the letter without comments.

M Pieper had indicated shortly after the SGM that he will purchase the ‘The Tinny’ from Mr J. Geiger / Edelstahlbau that is currently being used for the Fisheries Management weekends. Mr J. Geiger has also allowed Mr M. Pieper to store the boat on his premises free of charge, as well as service the motor and the trailer at no charge. Unfortunately Mr M. Pieper can no longer purchase ‘The Tinny’ due to financial restraints. Due to not being able to purchase ‘The Tinny’, Mr M. Pieper has written a letter requesting the NBAA



members to consider the following two (2) options:

- a. To give two (2) fisheries management points to Mr J. Geiger for every year the he avails 'The Tinny' to him, for the NBAA to use during fisheries management days, including the almost concluded 2018 season, 2019 and beyond, or
- b. To deduct two (2) fisheries management points from Mr. M Pieper's tally and add them to Mr J. Geiger's final fisheries management points, for every year that he avails The Tinny to him, for the NBAA to use during fisheries management days, including the almost concluded 2018 season, 2019 and beyond.

Mr J. Coetzee read the Conservation committee's response.  
(appended to these minutes)

It was noted by Mr M. Pieper that he was asked to read his letter without making comment or give explanations regarding his point of view and Mr J. Coetzee was requested to do the same.

The NBAA Conservation Committee wished to submit a recommendation in consideration of this vote to be held during this AGM.

- a. Vote, as intended to motion in the letter of Mr M. Pieper for remuneration of Mr J. Geiger for the use of 'The Tinny' by way of awarding Fisheries Management points at the 2018 NBAA AGM, OR
- b. Vote for remuneration to Mr J. Geiger for the use of 'The Tinny' by way of reimbursing Mr J. Geiger for the cost of rental, at fair market value, after diligent review and approval by the exective council.

Mr M. Pieper requested a response from the Conservation Committee regarding points two (2) and three (3) stating that the number of fisheries management points both Mr J. Geiger and himself had accrued for 2018 bears no relevance to the request made by Mr M. Pieper.

Mr J. Coetzee responded that the Conservation Committee wants to give transparency on the point system and the points that Mr J. Geiger and Mr M. Pieper currently has accumulated.  
There is also still one weekend available to Mr J. Geiger to accumulate 2 points to be added to his tally.

Mr M. Pieper also disagreed with point five (5) stating that if a member is not well and did not assist during a fisheries management weekend the member was still allocated the points  
Mr J. Coetzee responded that even if the member was not well the member participated and availed his boat to be used for the event.

Mr J. Coetzee further elaborated that without the use of 'The Tinny' no fisheries management weekends would have been a success and all members are grateful to Mr J. Geiger for making 'The Tinny' available to the NBAA for the events of 2018. Mr J. Coetzee also pointed out that the initiatives would also not have been possible without the outboard motor for 'The Tinny' which belongs to Mr M. Pieper which Mr Pieper made available at no charge.

Mr A. Hall posed a valid question to the meeting quoted as follows:

*'What about all other members that availed their boats for fisheries management. Do they get awarded additional fisheries management points too? Do these points get awarded after the entire system had been laid out at the 2018 SGM?'*

Mr J. Marais pointed point 4.4. of the 2018 SGM minutes out to the meeting with emphasised reference to the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) bullet which reads as follows:

*'4.4 That the Fisheries Management Weekend points get added to the NBAA National Tournament points, to select the NBAA AOY, the NBAA BNC Qualifiers, the NBAA Region 5 National Team, the NBAA World Cup National Team and the NBAA Presidents Team in 2019.'*

- *The suggestion brought forward is that the current Selection criteria used for the selection of all Teams during the year remains the same and the attendance point for the participation of the Fisheries Management weekends be added to the points to be able to qualify for any teams during the angling year.*
- *A minimum shift attendance of 50% throughout the year was suggested to be able to qualify for any teams selected during the angling year.*
- *Only members that have attained 50% or more attendance points will be eligible for nomination for any*

team selection for 2019.

- A buy-out option on the Fisheries Management Weekends is available for members that are unable to participate. The agreed upon buy-out amount is N\$ 30 000. The amount must be paid in full prior to the 1st Fisheries Management week-end in order to qualify for this option.

- No exceptions will be given to any angler for not participating in the Fisheries Management Weekends except when a buy-out was received or any official NBAA & NFFA related business.

*The motion was carried unanimously. ‘*

The chairman moved to have the matter scraped off the table as decisions taken at the 2018 SGM cannot be changed at this AGM as members had already been earning points throughout the course of 2018.

The conservation committee have been mandated to contact Mr Geiger and Mr Pieper in order to facilitate reimbursement for the hire of the invaluable ‘Tinny’ and outboard motor for 2018 and to agree on terms in order that the NBAA can continue to make use of both ‘The Tinny’ as well as the outboard motor.

15.

#### **DETERMINATION OF ASSOCIATION FEES 2019**

The membership fees for 2019 was unanimously voted on as follows:

- Seniors – N\$ 1 600.00 per annum
- Juniors – N\$ 0.00 per annum
- Guest Angler – N\$ 200.00
- Country member – N\$ 600.00
- Complaint fees – N\$ 200.00

Junior anglers’ fees have been reduced to N\$ 0.00, which is limited to one (1) junior angler per one (1) senior angler. Once a second junior is applied for the fee will be N\$ 600.00. Junior membership fee without their parents being members will be N\$ 0.00.

**Motion carried and unanimously accepted.**

#### **Motion from the executive council pertaining to membership fees:**

A proposal to offer members a monthly membership fee instead of an annual fee. Members would have the option to pay N\$ 160 per month provided that a debit order is signed.

**Motion not carried.**

16.

#### **ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF EXECUTIVE ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE AND EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FOR 2019**

16.1

**Chairman:** Only one nomination was tabled, being that of Mr Richard Grant. The nomination was approved by the meeting.

16.2

**Vice Chairman:** Only one nomination was tabled, being that of Mr Neels van Tonder. The nomination was approved by the meeting.

16.3

**Secretary:** Only one nomination was tabled, being that of Ms Collette Carstens. The nomination was approved by the meeting.

16.4

**Treasurer:** Only one nomination was tabled, being that of Mr Neels van Tonder. The nomination was approved by the meeting.

**The NBAA’s constitution allows for one person to occupy 2 portfolios.**

16.5

**Tournament Director:** Only one nomination was tabled, being that of Mr Hendrik Pretorius. The nomination was approved by the meeting.

16.6

**Development Officer:** Two nominations were tabled, being that of Mr Johan Coetzee and James van Rooyen. After voting Mr Johan Coetzee was appointed and was approved by the meeting.

16.7

**Conservation Officer:** Only one nomination was tabled, being that of Mr Johan Coetzee. The nomination

was approved by the meeting.

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- 16.8 **Public Relations Officer:** Only one nomination was tabled, being that of Mr Andrew Hall. The nomination was approved by the meeting.

**17. ELECTION OF NATIONAL SELECTION COMMITTEE FOR 2019**

**Chairman:** Only one nomination was tabled, being that of Mr Neels van Tonder. The nomination was approved by the meeting.

**Secretary:** Only one nomination was tabled, being that of Mr Andrew Hall. The nomination was approved by the meeting.

**Regional Representative:** Only one nomination was tabled, being that of Mr Hendrik Pretorius. The nomination was approved by the meeting.

**18. ELECTION OF CONSERVATION COMMITTEE FOR 2019**

**Chairman:** Only one nomination was tabled, being that of Mr Johan Coetzee. The nomination was approved by the meeting

**Conservation official:** Only one nomination was tabled, being that of Mr Neil Engelbrecht. The nomination was approved by the meeting.

**Conservation official:** Only one nomination was tabled, being that of Mr Max Pieper. The nomination was approved by the meeting.

The chairman reminded the conservation committee officials that in accordance with decisions made at the 2017 AGM, they would serve a 3 (three) year term.

**19. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS AND/ OR PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT**

The appointment will be approved during the SGM to take place early in 2019.

**20. ANNUAL PRIZE GIVING REPORT**

Report on 2017 prize giving:

The chairman congratulated the followings anglers:

- Heaviest Bass of 2017 – Jandre Engelbrecht 3.676kg, Oanob Dam
- NBAA Ladies Champion for 2017 – N/A
- Junior Heaviest Bass for 2017 – N/A
- Heaviest Bag of 2017 – James van Rooyen 5.046kg, Oanob Dam
- Best Junior Overall 2017 – N/A
- Angler of the Year 2017 – Alec Williams, 95.50 points
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place Angler of Year 2017 – James van Rooyen 91.75 points
- 3<sup>rd</sup> place Angler of Year 2017- Thinus Williams 91.00 points
- Heaviest Bag Juniors 2017 – N/A
- Ladies Heaviest Bass for 2017 – N/A
- National Champions 2017 – James van Rooyen 8.961 points
- B.A.S.S. Nation Championship Qualifiers: Alec Williams 97.25 points (Boater) and Thinus Williams 95.88 points (non-boater)

Congratulations to all national team members, Region V & World Champs as well as President's Team as well as B.A.S.S. Nation Boater and Non Boater.

The prize giving event was made even more special with all the kids in attendance. The 2018 prize giving event will be planned early and EXCO will be mandated once again to make it a family event. Hopefully we don't have to offer an incentive for members to join us.

**21. 2019 REGION V TOURNAMENT/ 2020 REGION V TOURNAMENT**

Zambia is definitely hosting the 2019 event. It is 80% confirmed that the venue will be Lake Chicamba in Mozambique again.

Preparations for the hosting of the 2020 Region V Championship will begin early in 2019. The executive council of 2019 will have to focus intensely on the preparation as this event will be Namibia's opportunity to shine.

**22. IDEAS FOR IMPROVEMENT (MEMBERS SUGGESTIONS):**

None received

**23. FISHERIES MANAGEMENT 2018/2019:**

**23.1 Live bass imports 2018/ live bass imports planned for 2019:**

Live bass have been ordered for 2019. The hatchery in the Cape which supplied the bass in 2018 suffered tremendously during the drought which led to the NBAA only receiving one tenth of what was expected. All of the hatcheries dam have filled up since (20 odd dams) and the quantity of live bass being imported in 2019 will be at least 20 times as much as in 2018. The conservation committee will ultimately be responsible for making the decision as to where the new bass will go.

Please also refer to the NBAA conservation report of 2018.

**23.2 2018 Fisheries Management statistics/ full breakdown:**

Please also refer to the NBAA conservation report of 2018.

**23.3 2019 Objectives:**

Please refer to the NBAA Conservation report 2018.

**24. 2019 FUND RAISING EVENTS**

Due to poor member support for fund raising events in 2018 the executive council is rather hesitant to go through all the effort in 2019 only to be disappointed again. As a result the following suggestions have been made for all 2019 fund raising events:

**Please take note that this only takes fund raising events (golf day / CBC) into account and not fund raising initiatives (Raffle).**

1. All fund raising events to be planned and executed by the executive council of the NBAA.
2. Funds raised to be split between all teams (Region V, World Championships, Presidents + B.A.S.S. Nation Qualifier). The ratio of the fund splitting to be determined by the input from the respective teams and anglers. Team captains will have to take responsibility for their respective teams.  
E.g. Region V team will be required to contribute a certain number of team entries and sponsorships to qualify for funds. The funds will then be made available to the team captain and the captain can decide on whether the whole team should benefit or only the team members that contributed.
3. Funding split will be done as per size of the team (40% Region V / 25% World Championships / 25% Presidents / 10% B.A.S.S. Nation Contenders)  
e.g. if, for arguments sake the B.A.S.S. Nation Contenders don't contribute then their portion will be split evenly amongst teams that did contribute.
4. It can happen that funds will only be paid to a team after having competed at the event, i.e. a refund.

Funds raised from all other NBAA fund raising initiatives will be used for fisheries management as well as for the day to day running of the NBAA.

**Motion:**

1. Funds raising event funds will be split between the teams and the captain of the team will use his /

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her discretion to allocate funds to participating anglers.

**Motion carried and unanimously accepted.**

2. Events that will help as fund raisers to assist teams are as follow:
  - a. Annual Golf/ bowls day
  - b. Corporate Bass Challenge
3. Initiative that will raise fund for Fisheries Management weekends as well as for the day to day running of the NBAA
  - a. NBAA Raffle

The executive council will allocate any additional funds generated through additional events / initiatives.

**Motion carried and unanimously accepted.**

25. **2019 ANGLING/ EVENT CALENDAR:**

**Angling Dates / Events for 2019:**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Venue:</b>
19 – 20 January 2019	Fisheries Management Week-End
09 – 14 February 2019	World Games of Angling 2019 – XV Black Bass World Championships
23 February 2019	Oanob Dam – National Competition I
02 March 2019	NBAA Prize Giving Event
16 – 17 March 2019	Junior Development Week-End in association with Scouts of Namibia
30 March 2019	Von Bach Dam – National Competition II
13 April 2019	Oanob Dam – National Competition III
26 – 28 April 2019	Venue to be drawn – B.A.S.S. Nation Namibian Contender Qualification Event
18 May 2019	Von Bach Dam – National Competition IV
29 June 2019	Von Bach Dam - Winter Classic in association with NALAA
12 – 14 July 2019	Fisheries Management Week-End
03 – 04 August 2019	Fisheries Management Week-End
17 August 2019	Oanob Dam – National Competition V
7 September 2019	Von Bach Dam – National Competition VI
20 – 22 September 2019	Venue determined – Corporate Bass Challenge
25 – 27 October 2019	Venue to be drawn – National Trials / National Championships
12 - 13 October 2018	Junior Development Week-End in association with Scouts of Namibia
9 – 10 November 2018	Fisheries Management Week-End
22 - 24 November 2019	Von Bach Dam – Summer Bass Classic
28 November 2017	NBAA AGM
7 December 2017	Oanob Dam – Christmas Cup
Date to be determined	Annual NBAA Golf / Bowls Day – Windhoek Country Club
Date to be determined	Region 5 Bass Angling Championships
Date to be determined	President's Test – SA to host
Date to be determined	Clanwilliam Winter Bass Classic
Date to be determined	USA – B.A.S.S. Nation Championships

**Legend:**

	<b>National Competitions / Nationals / Qualification Event</b>
	<b>International Competitions / International Events</b>
	<b>Development Events</b>
	<b>Fund Raising Events</b>
	<b>Fisheries Management Week-Ends (Voluntary)</b>
	<b>Social Events</b>

It was agreed upon at the meeting that the final calendar will be presented at the SGM early in 2019.

## 26. GENERAL

### 26.1 Fishing League Worldwide (FLW) Namibia:

Mr Neil Engelbrecht has been representing the NBAA at preliminary discussions with FLW South Africa. The discussions thus far have been pertaining to the feasibility of establishing FLW Namibia. Members of FLW Namibia would be eligible to qualify for the equivalent of the 2018 Costa FLW Championships which could lead to a berth to the Forest Wood Cup which is currently the highest paid angling tournament in the world.

Preliminary fees for FLW are as follows:

1. US\$ 3 000 (+/- N\$ 43 000) affiliation fee annually for the association
2. US\$ 50 (+/- N\$ 700) for each individual membership per member per year.

This equate to +/- N\$ 4 370 per angler should a minimum of 10 anglers choose to join. The more anglers that join, the cheaper it gets per angler as the US\$ 3000 will be divided by the number of members that join.

FLW gives anglers an opportunity to participate against other international anglers. Should the NBAA affiliate with FLW, a total of 4 anglers will have the opportunity to compete in the USA annually, 2 at the B.A.S.S. Nation Championships and 2 at the FLW Championships. Both these tournaments can lead to anglers getting the opportunity to compete at the 2 largest angling tournaments in the world, the Bassmaster Classic and the Forest Wood Cup.

A suggestion was put on the table to open the members' affiliation to FLW not just for the NBAA members but for all associations.

Mr Neil Engelbrecht has been mandated by the meeting to continue with the preliminary talks with FLW South Africa. Mr Engelbrecht will provide the executive council with a full breakdown of every aspect involved with affiliating with FLW. Mr Engelbrecht agreed to compile an information package for members.

### 26.2 Attendance point / MOM Point:

The chairman apologised for having this point under general as it should have been a motion submitted but an error crept in and it was not added to the agenda.

**Definition:** A point awarded to an angler when not recording any fish caught during a tournament, which is essentially a point awarded for attending a tournament. Anglers could earn a MOM point merely by signing their weigh sheet during a tournament and not even launch a boat for the day.

#### **Background:**

In an effort to strengthen national teams by preventing anglers just coming to the dam to sign in for a 'MOM' point. Attendance points / MOM points have been used to select teams in past years with anglers qualifying for national teams after only having actually fished once or twice the entire year.

#### **Motion:**

1. For the motion to be able to be put under general

**Motion carried and unanimously accepted.**

2. Anglers must attend captains meeting and fish until 12:00 to qualify for a mom point.

**Motion not carried.**

3. Mom point will be changed to zero (0) points

**Motion carried and unanimously accepted.**

26.3

**Additional Fisheries Management Weekend:**

Mr N van Tonder put forward a motion under general to add an additional Fisheries Management weekend for anglers whom have not been able to accumulate enough point due to unforeseen circumstances out of the members hands, like work commitments. Mr van Tonder noted that the last 3 fisheries management weekend fell at the end of the month which he could not attend as he had to complete stock take at his place of employ.

**Motion:**

1. For the motion to be able to be put under general

**Motion carried and unanimously accepted.**

**Motion:**

2. To add one (1) event to the 2018 calendar which can result in members attending earning 1 point being add to their 2018 tally.
3. The suggested date is 15<sup>th</sup> of December 2018, just one (1) day, for structural & habitat improvement & augmentation of fodder.

The Conservation Committee suggested a minimum of 6 members needs to participate for it to be a productive day and the committee will determine what needs to be done.

**Motion carried and unanimously accepted.**

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**CLOSURE**

23:28

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Secretary of the Namibian Bass Angling Association

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Date

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Chairman of the Namibian Bass Angling Association

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Date