Ozark Mountain Anglers Meeting Minutes – January 11, 2016

Opening: The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm at the Elks Lodge by President Steinberg. There were 19 members present.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved. Secretary Barbee was unable to attend – minutes from this meeting were kept by Board Member Chad Davison.

Treasurer Report: There was no treasurer Report available. They are in the process of transferring the books from Previous Treasurer Hinshaw to Incoming Treasurer Williams.

Old Business: Renewal dues are due tonight by end of meeting. New members or members whose membership has lapsed with be subject to the New Member Dues Rate of \$60. Board is still discussing whether to do a one-time only reduction in dues to \$30 for previous members who would like to rejoin the club. This will be decided by the February meeting.

It was announced that the Board approved \$50 expense money per team for the Table Rock and Stockton Tournaments and \$100 per team for the Fish off.

Board Member Davison read the notice to membership dated January 2, 2016. There were a few changes to the Bylaws/Tournament Rules. The updated Bylaws will be handed out and changes discussed at the February Meeting.

The first tournament of the year at Table Rock will be held out of Cedar Wood Resort Ramp at Kimberling City. It was noted that Cedar Wood Resort is almost completely booked, but Harpers Valley Resort was also recommended and it is located next door to Cedar Wood Resort and shares the same ramp.

New Business: Board Member Davison discussed the attendance incentive that will be funded this year by the club. Beginning with the draw meeting for the first tournament, each member attending the meeting will receive a playing card. After 5 meetings, the best 5 card poker hand will win \$100. This will be repeated for the last 5 draw meetings of the year for another \$100 prize. This is being done to give members extra incentive to attend the meetings.

Davison also discussed an OPTIONAL 100% Payback Side Pot that he will be running for those members interested in participating. This will consist of three individual pots of \$10 each and members can choose to participate in any or all of the three pots. The breakdown is:

\$10 - Optional Side Pot for Heaviest Stringer

\$10 – Optional Side Pot for Biggest Bass and 2nd Biggest Bass (Split Evenly)

\$10 – Optional Side Pot for Wild Card to be announced before the draw. Examples could be Biggest Smallmouth, Biggest Kentucky, Biggest Walleye, Smallest 5 fish limit, etc.

Optional Side Pot results will be based only upon those participating in the side pots. So for example, a team could win the Heavy Stringer side pot even if they don't have the biggest stringer of the tournament if that other team with the heaviest stringer chose not to enter the side pot.

This is being handled separate from the regular tournament payouts and Chad requests that he receive entries in CASH ONLY and BEFORE THE DRAW.

Meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday February 1st at the Elks Lodge to discuss Bylaws/Rules Changes.