

**Keowee Anglers Board Agenda
Feb 6, 2025 –9:00 am**

Attending: Rick Sommer, Charles Townson, Holly Hazzan, Paul Yazel, Joe Galicic, Mick Elam, Dave Goeckel, Tom Tamanini, Jim Cowan, Mark Yarborough, Bill Smith

Meeting to order at 9:00 am at North Marina at Keowee Key.

Treasurer's Report – information from Mark Yarborough

- Bank Balance: \$ 7437.71
- Membership Total- 149 Members
- Consistent membership with last year

Tournament Director's Report –Paul Yazel

- **Annual Longest Fish Standings- Up to date on website**
- 5 bass- 1 Crappie and 1 Catfish YTD
- Registration for March tournament standing at 50 as of now. 25 boaters/25 non-boaters

Program Director's Report – Tom Tamanini

- No new items to cover

Adopt an Island Update – Dave Goeckel

- No items to cover

Anglers Angle – Jim Cowan/Joe Galicic

- For the month of January 2025 there were 3 tips sent out. **Bass Forecast Pro AI Cracks the code, Do Bass Stop Biting at Certain Temperatures and Top 7 Bass Fishing Techniques You Need to Know About**
- Real Time Fishing Reports: For the month of January 2025 there were 22 reports submitted by 7 Keowee Anglers Club Members. There were 25 reports submitted by 10 Keowee Anglers Club Members in January 2024. Reports were down by 11% and number of members reporting were down by 30%.

Website Administrator – Mick Elam

- No real issues with website.
- Hits have slowed down due to weather/winter

Old Business

- No issues discussed

New Business

- Mark reviewed 2 different proposals for increasing prize money this year.
- Everyone agreed upon increasing longest fish payout for the year and his proposal for prize money increase.
- FOLKS fishing presentation- Charles will be talking to the FOLKS group about fishing on Lake Keowee/Jocassee on May 18th at World of Energy. This may result in an increase in membership.
- Discussion around adding weight to one tournament vs length and we agreed to stay consistent with current tournaments and use length.

With no further business, Rick adjourned the meeting at 9:35am