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METRO MINUTES  
September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2008

1. Harvey Holmes, Chairman, called the September 17<sup>th</sup>, meeting to order at 7:37 p.m.
2. Roll Call: There were 7 clubs present and 3 absent. Clubs attending were: Alamo Bass Club, Freedom Bass Club, Helotes Bass Club, Rebel Bass Club, San Antonio Bass Club, S.A.P.D. Bass Busters, and Universal City Bass Club. Clubs not in attendance: Comal, Lone Star Lunkers, and McArthur High School Bass Club.
3. Secretary Report: Minutes from the August 2008 meeting were accepted.
4. Treasurer's Report: Metro's financial report was given and approved. We presently have \$7,204.07 in our account. This includes the TIF balance (\$1,045.00) and deposits of entries for our upcoming City Championship of \$4,910.00.
5. Harvey Holmes announced that Mike Bates and Tempest Rods had offered a 6'6 Medium Heavy Rod for \$75.00 to Metro for a raffle at the City Championship. Harvey asked if there was any discussion from the floor pertaining to Metro paying the \$75.00 for the rod. A motion was made by Debbie Hunter followed by a second from Robert McFarlane which will allow Metro to pay the \$75.00. Dave Cole announced that a Quantum Reel will be placed on the rod at no cost to Metro. Tickets for the rod and reel will be \$2.00 a piece or 3 for \$5.00. All proceeds will go to Metro to help defray the cost of City. Thanks to Mike Bates and Tempest Rods for this great offer!! And check out the Tempest website @ [www.tempestrods.com](http://www.tempestrods.com).
6. Harvey asked Robin McFarlane for an update on the Championship. Robin announced that there were some **changes on locations** for the weekend. Registration will take place in the Kennedy Room @ the Civic Center. Saturday's meal (Italian Buffet) and awards will now be at the Amistad Lake Resort and the final results will be announced at Angler's Lodge after the conclusion of the weigh in on Sunday. All representative/presidents are asked to please notify all of their club members of these changes. There will be a reminder typed up at registration for these locations as well for the anglers to take with them as reminders.

The Chamber of Commerce in Del Rio has asked for a proposal to be submitted right after this year's city tournament. Robin is going to draft proposals to be given to the Del Rio Chamber of Commerce and the Citizens Committee in Zapata.

The weigh in times came up for discussion. Don Pierce stated that Metro needed a cut off time to be in line rather than have scales close at a certain time. When this topic was discussed in our February 2008 meeting and approved at our March meeting; it was discussed and voted that scales would close at 3:30 (see attached insert from our Feb meeting).

**INSERT:** Debbie also questioned about possibly shutting the weigh in time down on Saturday so that the weigh in committee can do what needs to be done in order to be able to participate at the Saturday night banquet as well.

Metro did discuss possibly changing the time last year, but it was too close to the tournament, so it was tabled until this year. Harvey asked for discussion from the floor regarding changing the time on Saturday. Debbie made a motion to have the scales close at 3:30 on Saturday, with Carl Crittell seconding. The motion was voted on and passed. The weigh in time will be changed on Saturday.

Troy Zipperer stated that at our February meeting that we had decided that Metro will vote to accept the tournament rules that Robin had presented with the corrections that were made. Harvey asked for a motion and a second. Carl Crittell motioned to accept the tournament rules with Troy Zipperer seconding. The rules passed.

A few of our presidents/representatives in attendance of the September meeting stated that they thought they were actually voting to be in line @ 3:30, not close scales. Harvey asked for further discussion from the floor pertaining to the confusion and the weigh in times. It has been decided by a unanimous vote by all clubs present, that all anglers weighing in fish must be in line by 2:30 P.M. on Saturday in order to have their fish weighed. For Sunday, you must be in line at 12:00 P.M.

**Note: Being in line, means that you must have your boat on the trailer and in line.**

Robin McFarlane asked all clubs to pass along these changes to their club members.

Everyone was reminded of the September 30<sup>th</sup> deadline to get entries in without having to pay a late fee of \$10.00, plus, all entries that come in on the night of registration must be cash or money orders only.

There will be 3 scales for the weigh in each day along with a back up with a drive through weigh in. There will be a set of directions at registration as to how each boat is to be driven up to the weigh in.

7. The Fishing for Freedom is scheduled for October 25<sup>th</sup> @ Choke Canyon. There are around 80 soldiers that are expected to come out for a day of fishing. So if you do not have plans mark your calendar and come out. Should you need any additional information, you may contact Cal Bienhoff with the Quality Bass Club @ [lbien@swbell.net](mailto:lbien@swbell.net).
8. Don Pierce with the San Antonio Bass Club announced that they have rescheduled their Big Bass Tournament for Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> @ Choke Canyon.
9. All clubs are reminded to please donate a door prize to City. Door prizes should be given to Robin McFarlane so that she may make a list of what has been donated.
10. Harvey went “around the table” and asked the clubs where they had fished or was fishing. Freedom will be fishing Lake Amistad along with Helotes. S.A.B.C. fished Amistad with a 36.99# Heavy Stringer and an 8.15# big bass. Universal City cancelled their trip to Amistad due to Hurricane Ike. Alamo just fished Amistad with a 20+# heavy stringer and will now be traveling to Stillhouse Hollow next. Rebel will be headed west to fish Amistad in two weeks and S.A.P.D. fished Amistad with a 24+# heavy stringer. Appears that all clubs are pre fishing for their upcoming City Championship at Amistad.
11. Dave Cole announced that T.A.B.C. is having their 2008 State Championship on Saturday, September 27<sup>th</sup>, and Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at Lakes Belton and Stillhouse Hollow. Those teams who fish Belton on Saturday will switch and fish Stillhouse House on Sunday, while those who fish Stillhouse Hollow on Saturday, will fish Belton on Sunday with a weigh in being conducted at each lake.
12. Harvey Holmes announced that Metro has now joined the Texas Outdoor Partners (TOP). TOP works with our legislature along with the hunting and fishing enthusiast in finding more effective ways to conserve and preserve

the fishing, hunting, wildlife, and it's habitat by identifying needs and working together to get these needs fulfilled. The TOP website is [www.texasoutdoorpartners.com](http://www.texasoutdoorpartners.com). TOP will be having a meeting on Saturday, November 13<sup>th</sup> in Buda. Metro has provided TOP with a link to our website.

13. **The next METRO meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, @ 7:30 p.m. at the VFW on Aviation Boulevard in Universal City, Texas.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

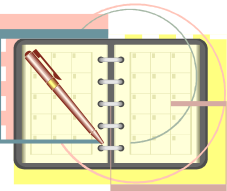
## CALENDAR REMINDERS:

**Metro City Championship, Saturday & Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>, Amistad Lake**

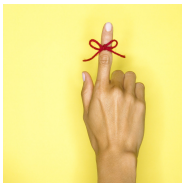
**Metro Meeting, Wednesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 P.M., VFW Hall, Universal City**

**Fishing For Freedom V, Saturday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, Choke Canyon**

**Metro Meeting, Wednesday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 P.M., VFW Hall, Universal City**



**Reminder: All clubs are asked to donate a door prize for City!**



*Robin McFarlane, Secretary*