

MINNESOTA TRAPSHOOTING ASSOCIATION

Meeting Minutes

July 9, 2014 at Alexandria Shooting Park

Board Members present: Perry Nodsle, Tom Brooks, Daryll Olson, Peter Falk III, Jeff Hoppes, Glenn Linden, Steve Shane, Glen Lonneman, Steven Richards, Scott Steffen, Scott Messenger, Dean Walker, Frank Redfield, Mark Stevens, Sally Stevens, Mike Michaelis

Also present: Jim Karels, Tom Townsend, Vicky Townsend, Cindy Townsend, Matt Bickell

Meeting called to order at 7:39pm.

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Glen Lonneman started the meeting reviewing the May 2014 minutes and noting that board members did not have a chance to review them yet as they had not yet been sent out. Board members will have a chance to review the minutes and have them approved before Saturday morning.

Review to date

Glen Lonneman reviewed attendance numbers to date and noted that attendance is slightly up from last year. He also noted that approximately \$600 was given in a free-will offering during Tuesday night's pork chop feed. Glen highlighted board responsibilities as well as remaining activities throughout the rest of the shoot.

A couple of nonresidents have mentioned to Glen that they are disappointed that the Handicap events on Tuesday and Wednesday are Open events. Glen suggested that, after the shoot is all over, we could review the bottom line and see if it's a possibility. The board agreed to discuss this at the next board meeting.

Zone Shoots

Perry Nodsle (Northern Zone) said that there was a request for the Zone Map to be added to the program, that the start time for each club be included on the Zone Program, and that the cost of the Zone Shoots be increased so that the added money paid by the clubs can at least cover the cost to shoot. There would have to be a \$60/\$30/\$30 cap put on this. It was also suggested that the 2nd place money paid in Handicap be dropped to help pay for that. The club hosting the shoot is responsible for the Minnesota Zone Shoot added monies. Perry Nodsle made a motion to change the payout; Jeff Hoppes seconded. Carried, 10 yes – 5 no.

Southern Zone once again requested to have their shoot on one day, as the Southern Zone tends to have smaller attendance. Discussion regarding 400 targets in one day, as well as different Zone program requirements, and no change was made for 2015.

2015 Shoot Dates and Sites

The 2015 Minnesota Zone Shoots will be held on June 20-21, 2015 at these locations:

Central: Minneapolis Gun Club
Southern: Winona Gun Club
Northern: Proctor Gun Club

The 2015 Minnesota State Shoot will be held from July 6-12, 2015.

ATA Central Zone Shoot Rotation

The 2014 ATA Central Zone Shoot will be held at Owatonna from August 1-3, 2014. Minnesota clubs in the rotation for the ATA Central Zone Shoot are Del-Tone/Luth Gun Club, Owatonna Gun Club, Alexandria Shooting Park, and Minneapolis Gun Club. There is a nine-trap requirement to be included in the ATA Central Zone rotation.

The board approved the 2015 dates; Peter Falk III opposed as he would like to see the Southern Zone be one day.

Other Business

Scott Steffen stated that the Southern Zone requested that the ATA Central Zone shoot be one of the four clubs required for the State Team, and extended discussion followed. The board dealt with this request in 2013 and decided, since the shoot is an ATA, not MTA, shoot it would not qualify.

Jeff Hoppes stated that Eric Munson once again requested that banks in morning and afternoon be more than one bank apart. Sally Stevens reminded the board that this was discussed at the December board meeting. The board agreed then that banks would continue to be decided at random through a card drawing.

Peter Falk III mentioned that the previous days' shoot got off late and people were still inside paying when they should have been shooting. Discussion revolved around the running of the shoot and how to streamline morning start times.

Vicky Townsend stated that some people are commenting that, now that she is on the board, she shouldn't be paid for her work cashiering. The board unanimously supported Vicky continue in her duties, be paid for her work as usual, with the added responsibility of her board position on top of her workload.

Mark Stevens stated that John Burke, ATA Vice President, wants to know if Minnesota is against or for the new categories, and will bring it up at the Saturday morning meeting.

Elections

Nominations for upcoming board positions will be taken from the crowd in addition to those currently the board who desire to run again. The election will take place as in the past, with paper ballots and a 24-hour election as needed.

The positions of President, Treasurer, ATA Delegate and ATA Alternates (2) are up for election this year. Scott Steffen has indicated he will run for President, Tom Brooks will run again for Treasurer, as will Mark Stevens for ATA Delegate, and Dean Walker and Frank Redfield for ATA Alternate Delegates.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:26pm.

