

Minnesota Trapshooting Association
Alexandria Shooting Park, Alexandria MN
April 27, 2019

Present: Matt Bickell, Rich Wolf, Bryan Boltjes, Tom Brooks, Eric Munson, Perry Nodsle, Brody Padgett, Pete Walker, Dean Walker, Ed Dietz, Mike Michaelis, Randy Jones

Absent: Tammy Baloun, Don Stock, Nick Kubasch, Rich Gerlach

Others Present: Randy Jones, Vicky Townsend, Tom Townsend, Cindy Townsend

Meeting was called to order at 5:16PM by President Matt Bickell

Secretary's Report

Minutes from December 8, 2018 were read. Correction made to Trap Help Starting pay; changed to \$8.04 to reflect minimum wage. Correction made to cost of Kolar for raffle; changed to \$13,200.00. Pete Walker moved to approve minutes. Bryan seconded. Approved

Treasurer's Report

Tom Brooks reported that there is \$166,170.00 in the bank account. No official report to approve.

ATA Delegate Report

Dean Walker reported that the ATA is financially sound. American Grand target prices are increasing due to Illinois' minimum wage increasing. ATA is working on updating the under the influence clause in the by-laws to reflect the legalization of marijuana. ATA will be sponsoring ATA youth memberships again this year. Profit from ATA gun raffle will get disbursed through grants. ATA is discussing Grand dates for 2020 and 2021 and potentially moving dates up for the ATA Zone shoots. Dean reported there are two gun clubs in MN that are wanting their trap fields certified for ATA shoots.

Old Business

By-Law Changes: Ed Dietz reported that Paul Dietz is working with him to make changes to the MTA By-laws to reflect the voting procedures approved at the December meeting. Will need to be presented to the membership at the annual meeting for approval. Changes to by-laws will be presented to members at the Zone meetings to gather questions or concerns. Board will approve a final draft of changes at the Wednesday business meeting during the MN State Shoot that will be presented at the Annual meeting for membership approval; changes to by-laws will be posted in the club house during the State Shoot for members to view.

Trap Help: Cindy Townsend gave an update on working with the Alexandria Area High School activities director to potentially get school groups to help during the State shoot. Cindy also mentioned contacting church groups as well.

Bank Numbers: Vicky Townsend verified that bank numbers can be printed on shooter receipts during the State Shoot

Gun Raffle: Rich Wolf updated the Board on the progress of selling the Kolar Gun Raffle tickets. Tickets have been disbursed to Board members and some clubs to be sold. Gambling permit cost was \$100; Rich

is donating cost of mailing and printing of tickets. Winner will be drawn during the annual meeting at the MN State Shoot. Ed Dietz moved to donate 1 raffle ticket to the Live Youth Auction. Brody seconded. Approved.

Attendance Pins: 2019 attendance pins have arrived

Hall of Fame Inductees: Plaques and photos have arrived

MTA Website: Matt Bickell presented a proposal from Cornerstone Media Group to redesign the MTA website for \$3,500.00. Ed Dietz moved to pay up to \$3,500.00 to have the website redesigned; Jim Walkowiak and Jean (webmaster) will work with Cornerstone on redesign, with final design to be approved by MTA Board. Bryan seconded. Approved.

Explore Alexandria: bags will be provided to MTA for the State Shoot again this year.

Target Attainment Plaques: Dean is working with the ATA to determine target attainments to submit to plaque company. Dean will also get 50/60-year plaques made for those shooters attending the MN State Shoot for 50 or 60 years.

New Business

Targets: Tom Townsend has been in contact with Sunset distributors to order targets for State Shoot.

Shoot-offs: All board members need to help with shoot-offs Friday through Sunday of State Shoot. MTA will also provide radios to communicate results to trophy room.

State Shoot Wednesday Business meeting: Board will need to address any concerns about changes to by-laws ahead of annual meeting.

State Shoot Brat Feed: Set for Thursday, brats have been ordered from Jerry Gall and Foley Meats.

Friday Banquet: Raapers is scheduled to cater; Matt will finalize contract with them. Tickets will be \$18.00 per ticket. Cindy Townsend offered to take tickets at the food line. Dave Maples has offered to create program.

Annual Meeting: reminder of new voting procedure approved at December meeting that will be used for elections.

Live Auction items: Eric Munson is in charge of Live Auction items. Still looking for auction items.

State Shoot Work List: reviewed work list for the State Shoot

Pre-Squad: Cindy & Vicky Townsend will send info to Pre-Squad to open on May 1st, 2019 at 7AM. Same number of squads and options as done previous years.

Golf-cart Rental: Matt Bickell discussed any needs for MTA to rent a golf cart. One cart will be rented for Board use.

Elections: Positions up for election are Zone directors, Vice President, Secretary, ATA Delegate and Alternates.

Zone Shoots: Trophies have arrived and can be taken to Zone clubs. Programs will be mailed in May as well as checks sent to hosting clubs.

State Teams: Discussed removing Junior and Sub-junior exemption for number of clubs attended. No motion made to change. Pete Walker made a motion to remove Zone Shoot category from the State Team Requirements and only use the categories from the State Shoot. Bryan seconded. Approved.

Collection of Member's email address: Discussed maintaining a list of member email addresses to use to send programs, newsletters, etc.

Electronic Files: discussed options for a central electronic storage option for MTA documents.

State Shoot Programs: final proofing is done and programs are going to print.

3S Software: Vicky Townsend informed the Board that 3S has a new version of 3S software. Bryan moved to allow Vicky to spend up to \$1,200.00 for updating the software license and purchase barcode scanners. Dean seconded. Approved.

State Shoots: Discussed possible shoot dates for 2020 and 2021

MN AIM State Shoot: This will be incorporated into the MN Youth Day, Monday of the MN State Shoot for 2019.

Bryan moved to adjourn. Eric seconded. Meeting adjourned at 6:30PM

Respectfully submitted,

Vicky Townsend