

CALIFORNIA GOLDEN STATE TRAPSHOOTERS ASSOCIATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
DECEMBER 8, 2007  
KINGSBURG, CA

President Kevin Erwin called the meeting to order at 10:00am.

Those answering roll call were:

<u>Northern</u>	<u>Central</u>	<u>Southern</u>
David Kelly	Don Bunch	Jessica Anderson
Jim McCullough	Steve Clayd	Ray Brassler
Esther Puckett	Kevin Erwin	Jim Hammond
Julie Robinson	Tom Goss	Walt Hastings
David Ver Halen	Ed Hammond	Bob Slough
Jim Wyllie	Dan Hoffman	
	Kym Hughes	
	Gil Martinusen	
	Fred Piazza	
	John Silva	

Also in attendance: Eileen Williamson

**Minutes of prior meeting:**

With no discussion from the floor:

Motion: Ver Halen Second: McCullough  
To approve prior minutes as presented.  
Passed: by voice vote

**Correspondence:**

Secretary reminded the board that the correspondence file had inadvertently not been brought to the September meeting, so some of the correspondence read today would be old.

1. Rec'd June 27 - letter from our accounting firm Lockwood-Born outlining the terms and objectives of their financial audit of our records for the year ending June 30, 2007. They have since begun their audit.
2. Rec'd July 13 - letter from David Kaufman from Utah asking for information about our 2008 State Shoot.
3. Rec'd July 21 - letter from Helen Lemich resigning from the Board.
4. Rec'd October 15 - copy of letter from the ATA to Sam Mercado notifying him of the outcome of the complaint filed against him in July. He has been permanently expelled from membership in the ATA.
5. Rec'd October 22 - copies of Late Shoot Fine invoices from the ATA to Stockton, No Hollywood, and Redlands Shooting Park, with notice that these fines would be deducted from our state shoot refund if not paid. As of today the clubs involved have all paid their fines.
6. Rec'd November 7 - Request from Chuck Poindexter for his 100,000 Target Achievement Award.
7. Rec'd November 8 - Shoot Registration Certificate from the ATA for our 2008 State Shoot for the dates of 6/24/08 thru 06/29/08.
8. Rec'd November 17 - Application paperwork from Eilert Insurance Agency to renew our Directors and Officers insurance. Application has been submitted and policy will renew on 01/01/08.
9. Rec'd November 21 - Invoice from Morris Hall for printing the 2008 Pocket Calendars. Mr. Hall has paid the \$285 cost on our behalf and requests the \$285 reimbursement go directly to the 2008 CGSTA Junior Program.

10. Rec'd November 24 - Letter from John Rollins confirming that he be considered for the 2008 Sr. Vet State Team.
11. Rec'd December 3 - letter from the ATA informing us that our 2008 State Shoot refund will be \$14,626.
12. Rec'd December 3 - letter from Barbara Thorp inquiring why she's not included on the 2007 Women's High Average Singles list on our website. She's been notified that, while her singles average was very good in 2007, she didn't meet the target requirement set by Trap & Field for that list.
13. Rec'd December 3 - letter from the ATA announcing the ATA Sweepstakes will continue in the 2008 Shoot Year. Grand Prize will be a 2009 GMC Sierra truck, donated by GMC.
14. Rec'd December 6 - letter from the ATA Hall of Fame thanking us for including the Hall of Fame Lewis Option in our past State Shoot programs, and encouraging us to include the ATA HOF Lewis Option in our 2008 State Shoot.

#### **Delegate's report:**

ATA Delegate Eileen Williamson reported on five areas:

1. The ATA continues to update and improve their website, including a feature that will be implemented soon that will allow shooters to refuse reductions via e-mail.
2. The ATA is currently editing the rulebook to include the recent rule changes. The new rulebook should be available in the next few weeks.
3. The ATA Sweepstakes will continue through the 2008 Shoot Year. This is a great way for clubs to raise money and there are some very nice prizes for the top 5 winners. Anyone wanting tickets can contact Eileen and she'll be glad to help get them.
4. There's been some discussion on the Internet recently about the SCTP possibly breaking away from the Grand American. The ATA and the SCTP have announced that's not the case. The SCTP will shoot during the first 2 days of the 2008 Grand American in a fashion similar to this year.
5. She's received only 1 bid for a Western Zone site for 2008; from Redlands Shooting Park. Terry Bilbey's bid includes \$3,000 added money for the shooters. After brief discussion from the floor:

Motion: Piazza Second: Martinusen

To accept the bid from Redlands and award them the California site for the 2008 Western Zone.

Passed: by voice vote

#### **New/Replacement Directors:**

Southern Zone reported there were no changes.

Central Zone reported there were no changes.

Northern Zone reported there were no changes.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

Treasurer Hastings reported that, as of 12/07/08, the balance in our B of A account was \$21,812, and the balance in our Morgan Stanley account was \$175,320, for a total cash on hand amount of \$197,132. This included the recent purchases of a new laptop computer (approved 9/29/07), a new high-speed printer (approved 9/29/07), a new copier printer (approved 9/29/07), and the 2007-2008 Winter Chain buckles.

After brief discussion from the floor:

Motion: McCullough Second: Hughes

To accept the Treasurer's report as presented.

Passed: by voice vote

**Committee Status Review:**

Director Bunch presented a set of proposed changes to the Zone Shoot Criteria including:

1. Eliminating the High-Gun Team,
2. Expanding the Men's Team to 6 classes; AAA, AA, A, B, C, and D, and
3. Adding a provision that special category shooters must declare, prior to shooting, which team they're trying for. If they fail to make that declaration, they will automatically be entered in their age-determined special category.

Director Bunch reported that these changes were the result of collaborative efforts between himself and the 3 zone vice presidents. Lots of discussion from the floor resulted in the following:

Motion: Ver Halen Second: Hughes  
To approve zone shoot criteria changes as discussed.  
Passed: by voice vote

**2008 State Shoot Preliminary Discussions:**

Secretary Brassler opened a discussion of our current pre-squad procedure. After discussion it was agreed to leave our pre-squad procedure as is and make no change to the current \$5 pre-squad fee.

Secretary Brassler opened a discussion of our current bank draw procedure. After brief discussion it was agreed to leave our current bank draw procedure as is; i.e. starting banks will be drawn from a hat for Class Singles, HOF Handicap, VP Handicap, Memorial Handicap, President's Handicap, Singles Championship, and Handicap Championship. After that draw all the numbers will be put back into the hat and starting banks will be drawn for Class Doubles and Championship Doubles. The first 100 targets in Singles events will be shot on the starting banks drawn, and squads will move one bank to the right for the second 100 targets.

**New Business:**

None.

**Old Business:**

Secretary Brassler presented a recap of our annual membership fees from last year, broken out by shooter category. After brief discussion everyone agreed to leave everything as is with no change to our annual membership fee.

Director McCullough opened a discussion of our State Men's Team and why it was changed in January, 2003 from 10 shooters per team to 5 shooters per team. It was reported that it was changed for financial reasons at the time, with directors trying to save money on state team trophies. Additional discussion from the floor resulted in:

Motion: McCullough Second: Anderson  
To change the State Men's Team back to a first team of 10, a second team of 10, and an honorable mention team of 10, effective with the 2008 State Teams.  
Passed: by voice vote

Secretary Brassler handed out preliminary copies of the 2008 State Teams, based on the 2007 shoot year. Discussions followed on the state residency status of Sean Hawley and Jerry Parr. Since both of these shooters began the 2007 shoot year as California residents, and both shot our State Shoot as California residents, the Board agreed that both should finish the 2007 shoot year as California residents, despite the fact that they moved to Utah mid-year.

Additional discussion followed on what is required to establish California residency, resulting in the following resolution:

In order to be a bone-fide resident of California you must physically reside within the state, and simply owning property in California is not sufficient to establish residency in California.

Motion: Bunch Second: McCullough

To adopt the above resolution.

Passed: by voice vote with Puckett abstaining

President Erwin brought the issue of Pat Trap insurance back to the floor from the last meeting. Brief discussion resulted in the matter being tabled again until the next meeting.

Director Martinusen brought the issue of buying an automatic defibrillator back to the floor from the last meeting. Reported that the Kingsburg Gun Club had decided not to include it in their grant application, but had decided to use club finances to purchase the equipment, splitting the cost, if possible, with the CGSTA. Brief discussion resulted in the following:

Motion: Slough Second: Goss

To split the approximate \$2,500 cost with the Kingsburg Gun Club to buy an automatic defibrillator.

Passed: by voice vote

#### **For the Good of the Association:**

Secretary Brassier passed out copies of three different possible pin designs for the 2008 State Shoot, which is our 95<sup>th</sup> anniversary shoot. Design 1 was a green and black circle design with a blue banner across the center announcing our 95<sup>th</sup> state shoot. Design #2 was similar but in a square shape. Design #3 was a red and black circle design with a yellow state outline, somewhat of a throwback to our 1989 pin. Design #3 was chosen unanimously.

Secretary Brassier passed out copies of the California Shooter Statistics from the 2007 Shoot Year. Highlights noted during the presentation included:

1. 1,858 active shooters in 2007 vs 1,885 the year before,
2. 70% of our singles shooters are in Class B, C, and D, and they shoot 50% of the singles targets thrown in California,
3. 75% of our doubles shooters are in Class B, C, and C, and they shoot 70% of the doubles targets thrown in California,
4. 8% of our shooters don't shoot singles, and 50% don't shoot doubles,
5. 57% of our shooters shoot 500 or less singles targets a year,
6. 56% shoot 500 or less handicap targets a year,
7. 77% shoot 500 or less doubles targets a year,
8. 370 active junior shooters in 2007 vs 369 the year before,
9. 409,225 total targets shot by juniors in 2007, up 5% from 2006
10. Redlands Shooting Park threw more targets than any other California club in 2007, including the CGSTA State Shoot. They threw 538,100.
11. in the north, Livermore increased the number of registered targets thrown from 88,000 in 2006 to 202,000 in 2007, a 77% increase,
12. in the central, Tulare increased the number of targets thrown from 70,000 in 2006 to 116,000 in 2007, a 67% increase, and
13. in the south, No Hollywood increased the number of targets thrown from 20,000 in 2006 to over 54,000 in 2007, a 176% increase, and
14. 3,609,575 total targets thrown in California in 2007, down 2% from 2006.

**Other:**

Discussion was brought to the floor regarding the next meeting date. It was determined that the next meeting would be held February 9, 2008.

With no further business being brought to the floor:

Motion: McCullough Second: Goss

To adjourn meeting at 11:47pm

Passed: by voice vote

***SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE BOARD***

Approved as presented: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved as corrected: \_\_\_\_\_