

CALIFORNIA GOLDEN STATE TRAPSHOOTERS ASSOCIATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
SEPTEMBER 29, 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>
Jim McCullough	Don Bunch	Ray Brassler
Esther Puckett	Kevin Erwin	Jim Hammond
Julie Robinson	Dan Hoffman	Walt Hastings
David Ver Halen	Kym Hughes	Jim Merrimon
Ken Yamaguchi	Myles Johnson	Bob Slough
	Gil Martinusen	

Late arrival: Dicksie Spolar  
Also in attendance: Eileen Williamson

**Minutes of prior meeting:**

Secretary said there were 3 meeting minutes to approve - June 18th; the June 23rd and 24th Annual meeting; and the June 24th election meeting. These minutes can be approved all combined or individually. With no discussion or corrections being brought to the floor:

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

**Correspondence:**

Secretary apologized for inadvertently leaving the correspondence file at home. Two pieces of correspondence were discussed from memory:

1. Rec'd June 24 - letter from Steve Cloyd resigning from the Board due to scheduling conflicts during the 2008 state shoot. Steve's schedule has since changed and these conflicts no longer exist. Steve has asked that his letter be rescinded and the board granted his request.
2. Rec'd August 25 - letter from Eilert Insurance Agency offering to renew our liability insurance for another year at the same rate. Payment was sent and our liability insurance has been renewed. However, the rider that covered our Outers voice releases from loss was not renewed.

The rest of the correspondence will be read at our next board meeting.

**Delegate's report:**

ATA Delegate Eileen Williamson reported on seven areas:

1. ATA annual dues for the 2008 shoot year have been increased to \$20.00 per year for regular shooters and \$12.00 per year for juniors and sub-juniors.
2. The ATA is now a non-profit organization so dues paid are tax deductible.
3. A number of changes to the ATA by-laws and rulebook were approved at the Grand American this year including a) the shoot year has been changed to November 1st through October 31st beginning on November 1, 2008, b) male shooters presently on the 19 or 19-1/2 yard line will automatically be punched to the 20 yard line on their 15th birthday, c) the time limits for filing a complaint with the ATA have been shortened to 30 days, d) the ATA will issue an Advisory Opinion on shooting 10 per post only when limited facilities and limited time require it,

- e) H-coded shooters now have the option of requesting a reduction after 1 year, f) target flight and distance will now be defined by speed as well as by distance, g) rules regarding category shooters shooting off for event champion and falling back have been clarified, and h) a number of other administrative changes were made to the ATA by-laws.
4. Additional discussions took place regarding a) revisions to the All American Team point system, and b) requiring multiple-category shooters to declare which category they're competing in prior to shooting. No rule changes have yet been made.
  5. Shoot dates have been set as follows; Spring Grand will be February 18th - 24th, 2008; Western Zone will be July 17th - 20th, 2008; Grand American will be August 6th - 16th, 2008.
  6. The ATA is very busy closing out the 2007 shoot year and shooters can expect their new average cards in late October to Early November.
  7. California took top honors in the new National Team Race competition at this year's Grand American with both our Men's Team and our Women's team taking 1st place. Congratulations to Sean Hawley, Doug Gustafson, Wayne Poffenbarger, Jerry Parr, and David Kelly on the men's team, and Leah Larkin-Dixon, Vickie Larkin, Dianne Savage, Paulette Graham, and Kambra Brawner on the women's team.

**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 and Budget Discussion:**

Treasurer Hastings provided the Board with a Preliminary Balance Sheet as of June 30, 2007; a Preliminary Profit and Loss statement through June 30, 2007; and a recap/comparison of state shoot income and expense from 2007 and 2006. The Preliminary Balance Sheet shows Total Assets of \$354,211 with \$191,446 cash on hand. The preliminary P&L shows Total Income of \$314,619, Total Expense of \$283,763, and a Net Income of \$30,856. The state shoot income and expense summaries show 2007 net income of \$256,328 and net expenses of \$236,115.

After answering several questions from the floor, and some brief discussion, Treasurer Hastings provided the Board with a proposed 2007-2008 Operating Budget. Following additional questions and discussion from the floor, with no changes being made to the proposed operating budget:

Motion: Yamaguchi Second: Johnson  
To accept the Treasurer's report and the  
2007-2008 Operating Budget as presented.  
Passed: by voice vote

Secretary Brassler brought to the floor the need for a new high-speed printer and a desktop copier for use during the state shoot. An Okidata Microline 321 Turbo printer has been priced at \$450 and a Canon D320 Copier/Printer has been priced at \$125. Brief discussion resulted in the following:

Motion: Yamaguchi Second: Johnson  
To approve \$575 to purchase a new high-speed printer  
and a new desktop copier.  
Passed: by voice vote

Treasurer Hastings brought to the floor the need for a Treasurer's laptop computer and two new cash registers for use during the state shoot. A laptop should be available for around \$500 with another \$150 needed for Microsoft Office software. Multi-function cash registers are available from Office Depot or Staples for approximately \$250 each. Brief discussion resulted in the following:

Motion: Yamaguchi Second: Johnson  
To approve \$1,150 to purchase a new laptop computer  
and two new cash registers.  
Passed: by voice vote

Secretary Brasser brought to the floor the need for an automatic defibrillator to have on hand during the state shoot. The CGSTA has received a proposal from a local supplier to deliver a suitable unit, with training classes, for less than \$2,500. Director Martinusen mentioned that the Kingsburg Gun Club was also looking into buying a defibrillator. The matter was tabled until our December Board meeting so we could learn more about Kingsburg's plans.

#### **Committee Proposals:**

President Erwin presented his proposed committees for the 2007-2008 year. Brief discussion resulted in the following:

Motion: Ver Halen Second: Hughes  
To approve committees as presented.  
Passed: by voice vote

#### **2007 State Shoot:**

President Erwin brought to the floor the issue of the shoulder-to-shoulder zone team shoot-off event. Stated he would like to see it eliminated and go back to the method of using scores from the Singles Championship on Saturday to determine the winning zone teams. Discussion resulted in the following:

Motion: Yamaguchi Second: Puckett  
To eliminate the shoulder-to-shoulder zone team shoot-off event  
and go back to using scores from the Singles Championship to  
determine the winning zone teams.  
Passed: by voice vote

Further discussion from the floor raised the issue of possibly eliminating the High-Gun team and having just a Men's Team, Women's Team, Jr/SubJr Team, and Vet/SrVet Team from each zone. Lots more discussion resulted in tabling the matter until our next Board meeting. Proposals will be presented then to finalize the structure of the zone teams for 2008.

Secretary Brasser reported on two other matters from the 2007 State Shoot; 1) the CGSTA has received notice from the ATA that Sam Mercado has been suspended from the ATA pending an investigation into his behavior at our state shoot on June 20<sup>th</sup>, and 2) the election held on June 23rd where Dan Hoffman was elected to the position of 1st Alternate Delegate was later determined to be invalid because Dan Hoffman was not a Life ATA Member at the time he was nominated. The CGSTA Executive Committee met on July 17, 2007 and voted unanimously to recognize Vickie Larkin as our 1st Alternate Delegate.

Past President Bob Slough brought up several issues from the survey taken at the 2007 state shoot, most notable; 1) the possibility of using presquad.com, and 2) modifying the rotation for the singles events so that no one would have to shoot G and A banks. Lot of discussion resulted in no motions being made at this time. Both issues were tabled until our next Board meeting.

Treasurer Hastings brought up the issue of the large number of checks we write at the state shoot for purse payouts and the bank charges we incur for writing all those checks. Discussion followed about the possibility of issuing checks just on Thursday (for Tuesday and Wednesday), Saturday (for Thursday and Friday), and after the shoot (for Saturday and Sunday). This would cut the number of checks we write in half. More discussion with no motion being made.

**New Business:**

Director Yamaguchi brought up the issue of the ATA recently changing its shoot year to November 1st through October 31st, and the impact this would have on our CGSTA membership year. Discussion followed with no motion being made. This issue was tabled until the next board meeting for further discussion.

Secretary Brasser reported the Barstow Gun Club wants to have a Winter Chain shoot. Since our Winter Chain Trophy budget looks sufficient for 20 buckles instead of last year's total of 19, Secretary will contact Barstow and coordinate the dates for their Winter Chain shoot.

Vice President Hoffman reported that Santa Lucia has been asking to get into the rotation to hold the Central Zone shoot. Discussion followed about Santa Lucia only having two registered shoots per year and whether or not it was appropriate for them to be in the zone shoot rotation. With no motion being made this issue was tabled until the next board meeting and referred to the Criteria Committee for suggestions.

Secretary Brasser raised the issue of Sacramento Trap Club holding their shoots at Coon Creek and Livermore, and the implications this has on our State Team criteria; i.e. to be eligible for a state team a shooter must have competed at a minimum of five different clubs in at least two different zones. A problem arises with the way these scores are recorded by the ATA. Sacramento shoots at Coon Creek are recorded as Sacramento scores and Coon Creek shoots at Coon Creek are recorded as Coon Creek scores. When you look at the ATA database it appears that a shooter has shot at two different clubs when in fact they have only shot at Coon Creek. Beginning with the 2008 shoot year this type of double counting will stop and shooters will only get credit for shooting at one club.

Director Bunch raised two issues regarding our Pat traps; 1) what was our official policy about loaning them out, and 2) what should we do about insurance? The first issue was resolved with brief discussion about our Pat Trap agreement with the Kingsburg Gun Club where it states that the Pat traps will not leave the grounds. This agreement has not changed and no further policy is required. The second issue was tabled until the next Board Meeting to investigate the possibility of being named an additional insured on Kingsburg's policy.

**Old Business:**

None.

**Other:**

Discussion was brought to the floor regarding the next meeting date. It was determined that the next meeting would be held December 8, 2007.

**For the Good of the Association:**

President Erwin took the opportunity to present Past President Slough with a President's buckle. The Board once again thanked Bob for his service last year.

With no further business being brought to the floor:

Motion: Hughes Second: Yamaguchi  
To adjourn meeting at 12:34pm.  
Passed: by voice vote

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

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

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