

CALIFORNIA GOLDEN STATE TRAPSHOOTERS ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
KINGSBURG, CA
FEBRUARY 4, 2006

President Yamaguchi called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Those answering roll call:

| <u>Northern</u> | <u>Central</u> | <u>Southern</u> |
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| David Fleming | Don Bunch | Ray Brassler |
| Patrick Jenks | Steve Cloyd | Virginia Crawford |
| Jim McCullough | Kevin Erwin | Dan Kirby |
| Carl Reynolds | Ed Hammond | Helen Lemich |
| David Ver Halen | Dan Hoffman | Kurt Sachau |
| Ken Yamaguchi | Kym Hughes | Bob Slough |
| | Myles Johnson | Dicksie Spolar |
| | Gil Martinusen | |
| | Fred Piazza | |

Late arrival by Tom Goss. Also in attendance: Tom Field

Minutes of Prior Meeting:

Motion: Fleming Second: Kirby
To accept prior minutes as presented.
Passed: by voice vote

Correspondence:

- 1] Rec'd 12/13/05 Don Black - bid for State Shoot photography. Bid the same as previous year. To be brought back to the floor under new business.
- 2] Rec'd 12/31/05 information letter from Canterbury Voice Release System International reporting on international distribution team.
- 3] Rec'd 01/06/06 ATA Hall of Fame letter regarding the Hall of Fame purse at the State Shoot.
- 4] Rec'd 01/13/06 ATA information letter on School Scholarship teams shooting - we currently do not have the teams shooting at the State Shoot.
- 5] Rec'd 01/21/06 email forwarded by Van Elgort from the web site from a "sport shooter" from Holland.

Secretary reported that we were having a good response on the applications for State Teams. Stated that she wished to speak to the Zone VP's to make sure that they got their shooters on the teams if they qualified. Also reported on the receipt of an application from a shooter that neither she or Director Brassler could locate as being an ATA shooter.

Director Spolar requested information regarding an ATA request for helping shooters that were impacted by Hurricane Katrina. Secretary reported that she had not received anything from ATA regarding that issue.

Delegates' Report:

ATA Delegate Eileen Williamson reported on the following:

- 1] New rule books were ready
- 2] Sparta facility update
- 3] Assistant Director for ATA will be based in Sparta
- 4] US Open to be held July 6-9 will be the 1st shoot
- 5] Grand American - SCTP dates moved to August 8-9
- 6] ATA changing tax code from 501(c)(7) to 501(c)(3) to allow for tax deduction for contributions
- 7] Scores down loan program being made available to gun clubs so that they can email scores and reports

New/Replacement Directors:

Northern Zone - no changes

Central Zone - no changes

Southern Zone - Vice President presented the following motion:

Motion: Slough Second: Sachau

To nominate Tom Field as Southern Director.

Passed: by voice vote

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Fleming provided an over view of the current standing of the Association. Reported current daily shooting income is running approximately the same as the prior year and are currently showing a #3,490 loss prior to State Shoot costs.

Also reported that as previously requested, the 2007 dues stickers have been printed and will be made available at the State Shoot. Secretary and Treasurer requested that directors not "sell them" until September 1 in order to keep everything in the proper reporting year.

With no questions being placed from the floor:

Motion: Reynolds Second: Piazza

To accept the Treasurers' report as presented.

Passed: by voice vote

Committee Reports:

1] Junior - Director Sachau reported the following:

- a] letter of thanks from several SCTP shooters and teams for the assistance provided for their trip to the Grand American
- b] reported that the committee intended to do the program the same as last year - try to supplement the junior shooters at the State Shoot and any funds left over will be donated to the SCTP to assist teams in going to Sparta
- c] currently have 17 SCTP teams in California and Gail Miller expects to have 20 this year
- d] anticipating 330 to 350 juniors showing up for the SCTP day
- e] SCTP currently in negotiation with Kingsburg to have the juniors shoot on the 1st day of the pre-State
- f] letter requesting donations will be going out soon

2] Pat Trap Machines - Director Sachau reported the following:

- a] reported that two meetings previously there had been some additional requests; some good points brought up regarding electrical and fitting of the machines and did Kingsburg really want the Association to buy machines
- b] committee did due diligence:
 - 1] the electrical is fine for the machines on the far end
 - 2] measurements were done by Kingsburg of the trap houses and the machines will fit - they have come up with a roof design that will cost approximately \$125 - Brett Belnap will prefab a metal roof - volunteer labor will come up and cut the roofs so that all the roofs will be standard - all 28 roofs
 - 3] Chuck Elton has been working with the Committee for ideas for easy in/out - with the base plates, mounting brackets, as well as the technical items that seem to be an easy fix
 - 4] storage situation - Tony Benigno has offered two 28' trailers for storage, stated Kingsburg had offered storage location for trailers behind the wash houses
 - 5] machines were offered to Association for \$6800 each; sales tax is unavoidable; shipping costs - would be delivered direct to Kingsburg

and if shipped by rail could be here in approximately one week or so at an estimated cost of \$150 per machine. Estimated cost per machine would be approximately \$7,200 per machine.

For 20 machines - cost would be approximately \$144,000 and he would ask for \$150 each house for roofs and any modifications that may be required. This would be the upfront costs involved.

- 6] Reasons why he feels that this should be done:
 - a] trouble getting kids for setters
 - b] cut labor costs by 30%
 - c] if we own the traps and negotiate with Kingsburg - they will not have the rental fee that they currently have with Chuck - there will some kind of fee to maintain them but certainly not at the same as if he was supplying the machines
 - d] will realize savings in target prices and labor
 - e] also safety factor involved
 - f] quality of targets
 - g] other than Palmdale, feels that everyone now shoots on automatic machines
 - h] difference in presentation - feels that it's important that the California State Shoot throw a uniform target and the best target possible
 - i] machines will last a long time; will be safely stored
 - j] talked with someone from the company and they reported that there is no problem storing the machines - the Grand American does it; they blow them off, clean the off, check the hydraulics, set them in the houses and they are ready to go each year. Does not foresee any problems with our doing that
 - k] there is money in the treasury to do it
 - l] asked his personal accountant about it and was asked what a non-profit corporation was doing with that much money
 - m] it is an asset and if there was ever any problem and we did have to sell them, they do have a value
 - n] if Kingsburg ever lost the lease on the land or ever decided they didn't want to hold the State Shoot, the Association would have twenty traps that could be used at another location such as Merced, if they ever get going, or Bakersfield if they wanted to put in additional traps, or encourage some of the other clubs to hold the State Shoot
 - o] committee has done a lot of due diligence and feels that we should have an up and down vote today

Director Kirby asked if it was 20 or 21 machines. Sachau responded that he had spoken with Chuck recently - reported that their contingency always was that if you lost a machine you would move to practice trap 4. There are 4 practice traps that are Pat Trap machines. For now save the cost of a machine and maybe a couple of years down the road buy one - for now just move to a practice trap.

Director Sachau stated that Kingsburg seems to be behind the program and there are several Board members for it. At this time, the floor was opened for discussion.

- 1] Director Reynolds requested of Director Sachau to know if there was anything in writing as to the various commitments that he had reported on and whether there was anything in writing that the Board members could look at - Director Sachau reported that currently most of the commitments were based on his personal contact with the various people and their confirmations were a commitment.

2] Director Bunch requested information as to the target cost savings to the State if they would be saving 30% in labor costs. Director Martinusen reported that he had crunched some numbers and it appears they could save up to \$15,000 in costs - Director Sachau responded that it would be approx two cents a target, so the Board could offer a reduced price at the State Shoot as an option. Sachau reported that there would be some savings both money and with labor and with rental fees.

3] As discussion continued to grow, some of the questions raised:
 a] who was going to be responsible for taking the machines out of storage and get them into the houses and then out of the houses back into storage? Response: Director Sachau responded as chair of the committee he would see that it was done and when asked what if he wasn't around anymore - he responded that we would hire someone to do it, just like it is being done now.

b] even though it is reported that the electrical is adequate - who is going to be responsible for the upgrade costs if it is not adequate? No specific response was provided - several opinions were offered.

4] Motion: Kirby Second: Sachau
 To buy the pat traps subject to a letter from Kingsburg guaranteeing us that they are the ones responsible for the electrical and the pat traps will be installed in the upgraded trap houses for \$125 per house as per paperwork Brett Belnap has drawn up and the few of us that do most of the work anyway will come up and help have the work installed.

Discussion was opened.... on several occasions that discussion was loud and angry and continued for a lot of time. Included in the discussion was the avenue of looking at obtaining grant funds to help with the expenditure. Also discussion included the lack of things being in writing for the Board members to look at and be able to report on with the shooters - Director Sachau reported that he had brought the letters to the first meeting.

Directors Bunch and Johnson called for the vote and requested a roll call vote. That vote is attached to these minutes.

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| Yes..... | 13 |
| No..... | 9 |
| Abstain..... | 1 |
| Presidential abstain... | 1 |

Discussion ensued as to when things should be ordered. It was commented that the machines should not be shipped until everything is in place and ready for them. Shipping concerns if by rail were addressed and the Treasurer reported that in order to move funds around it would also take more than just a day or two. Director Sachau reported hat he would work on all the details and be in contact with the President and the Executive Committee and the Treasurer and see what we can do.

3] Negotiations Committee

Director Reynolds reported that they had already met with Kingsburg this morning and this would now have to be modified.

Reported that he had been in contact with Jerry Jones and that all State Shoots were going to get targets at last year's prices not the new price

of approximately thirty five cents per case higher. Based on that Kingsburg agreed to no price increase. Now with the advent of the machine purchase and the possible reduction of two cent per target the price could be 16.7 cent per target.

4] State Shoot Committees

a] State Shoot Program

- 1] Director Brassler re-presented the artwork for the State Shoot pin and was reminded that the Board has selected the rectangle pin style at the last meeting.
- 2] Director Brassler reported that he would like to see a few more program sponsors. Any clubs wanting to donate \$100 we will add their names to the program as sponsors.
- 3] Advertising is going well.
- 4] Discussion reporting on the 2006 State Team selection
- 5] Brassler listed all items that he still needed. Reported that he would be going to the printer by March 20.

b] Target Price

Motion: Fleming Second: Johnson
To have the target prices for both the Juniors and regular targets be the same as last year.
Passed: by voice vote

New Business:

- 1] Vice President Fleming presented to the Board a request from life member Esther Pucket and Newman Swamp Rats that the issue of realigning the Zones be a ballot item for the membership to vote upon at the State Shoot.

Director Reynolds reported upon his review [on site] of the By-laws regarding the members voting on the zone realignment. In order to have the members vote on the issue the full text must be in the State Shoot program so that people will understand what they are voting upon - formal notification of member voting is done with the issuance of the program.

President Yamaguchi voiced concerns that the issue would cost money and that we probably needed to run it by our Attorney for his opinion. Reynolds stated that whatever the Attorney states we need to put in the program that is what has to be there. Sachau suggested that the notification in the program state a boundary change with a general nature of it and that only those that attend the meeting can vote; they are handed a more detail description of what they are voting on, we will probably find that the Attorney will not have a problem with it. Everyone agreed that full notification of the intended change to the By-laws must be reported but the program pages were full and it would mean adding 4 pages to the program. Possibility of an insert was discussed.

President Yamaguchi stated whatever is decided upon, nothing can be done until the Attorney is consulted and he estimated it could cost at least \$2,500 if not somewhere between \$2,500 to \$5,000 to handle the issue. President Yamaguchi requested Reynolds to contact the Attorney's office the following week regarding this issue.

Director Hoffman requested to know if we needed to have a motion to support going to the Attorney. Treasurer reported that there was a budget line item for legal in the amount of \$2,500. Hoffman wanted to know what if it went over that amount - EC in general responded "it went over" - as with most committee reporting.

No motion was presented to the Board for action on the issue.

2] The bid from Don Black was brought back to the floor.

Motion: Kirby Second: Hughes

To accept Don Black as photographer at the State Shoot

Under discussion voiced concerns of Don's general health was brought up and VP Fleming requested that the motion be amended to read:

To approve \$700 plus costs for a photographer/historian/reporter to ATA.

Both Kirby and Hughes approved the amendment.

Passed: by voice vote

3] Director Martinusen reported that Kingsburg received their grant funds and B bank will have new ribbon in time for the State Shoot.

Old Business:

No old business brought to the floor.

Next meeting will be held Monday, June 19 - with a new starting time of 8:00 a.m.

Prior to motion to adjourn, Director Brassler presented to the Board a compilation of the history of the State Shoot and the Association.

With no further business being brought to the floor:

Motion: Kirby Second: Jenks

To adjourn meeting at 12:00 p.m.

Passed: by voice vote

Approved as presented: _____

Approved as corrected: _____

