

2023 STATE SHOOT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

June 24, 2023

ATTENDEES:

DIRECTORS: Gene Wilson (Helper), Sean Hawley (Vernal), Dale Erickson (Tooele), Jeff Manning (Ogden), Avery Fitzgerald (Nephi)

DELEGATES: Ed Wehking, Joe Sudbury

ABSENT: Purgatory, Golden Spike, Lee Kay, Spanish Fork

OFFICERS: Chris Kinder (President), Austin Kinder (co-Vice President), Jared Peay (co-Vice President), Britt Dalton (Treasurer), Vicki Skelton (Secretary)

GUESTS: Brandi Fitzgerald

Chris Kinder called the meeting to order at 7:21 a.m.

Old Business:

Vicki summarized the minutes of the April 22, 2023 meeting, which were read as follows: Stacy gave an update on the financials, which included what program ads had been paid for to-date. We discussed hats and tee shirts, and post cards were approved. Chris gave an update on progress so far regarding preparation for the state shoot, Austin discussed trophies, and Jared discussed state team buckles. Approval was given for Chris and Sean to appear on a Podcast to promote the 2023 state shoot. Pizza was approved at USTA expense for Friday night of the state shoot. Games during the state shoot were discussed. Hall of fame was discussed and tabled. Shoot dates by email were approved. Zach Foster will not be at the state shoot for AIM but is monitoring the scores remotely and will hand out trophies at some other time.

The minutes were approved and seconded. The board unanimously approved the minutes as summarized. Stacy amended only one ad was placed in Trap & Field instead of the two previously approved.

Stacy was not ready to give a full accounting of the financials but gave a brief summation. Nothing much had changed since the last report, other than trophies have not been paid for yet. Trophies are expected to come in at a relatively lower cost than last year. The only things paid for to date have been printing of the programs, the banner, a few office-type supplies, and last night's pizza (\$1,200). Stacy complained that Spanish Fork is taking 30+ days to mail their daily fees compared to other clubs who get their checks in immediately. Stacy indicated she used Quick Books to mail out invoices to the clubs for yearly dues and ads in the state shoot program. She encouraged clubs to check their email for the invoices and send their payment in as soon as possible. It was also brought up that without deposits for the current week, we were at about \$52,000-53,000 in the bank account. She did receive the rebate check from the ATA.

The financials were approved and seconded. The board unanimously approved the financial statement as read.

Vicki gave a brief summary of 2024 shoot dates, which was again done by email. All clubs are keeping their shoot dates, with the respective change in calendar date(s). The dates of the Western Grand were confirmed (May 28-June 2), which also confirmed the date for Tooele (June 8). Helper requested their August shoot be moved a week earlier so as not to conflict with the Grand American. Clubs were encouraged to pick up an additional date if they could as most of August is without a shoot scheduled until the last week of the month.

Shoot dates were approved and seconded. Shoot dates were unanimously approved by the board. Addendum: The last week in July of 2024 turns out to fall on Spanish Fork's Fiesta Days, which is their designated shoot date. Helper's second shoot will therefore remain the first week in August.

New Business:

Chris addressed the notion it's "Vernal vs. Spanish Fork" for the state shoot. A few shooters are asking for the venue to be put to vote at the shooter's meeting. However, Chris pointed out it is in the Policies & Procedures that it is the BOD who vote for changing the venue, not the shooters. He encouraged clubs to set the record straight if they hear any conversations at their club regarding this matter.

To date, no one has stepped forward to run for office; however, Stacy indicated her desire to resign as treasurer. Clubs were asked to step up and nominate people they feel would be right for the position(s).

Stacy brought up whether we want to regain tax exempt status by changing the name of the association or remaining a corporation. Our biggest problem in losing tax exempt status was the requirement to eFile. Stacy again, as in previous meetings, gave a synopsis of what happened and what it would take to get tax exemption reinstated – which would be nearly impossible without changing the name of the association. Stacy agreed to stay involved with the new treasurer to help navigate the tax situation since she has been personally involved. She also warned situations like this will continue to be a problem since we have the potential to change treasurers every year; and by the time we receive IRS notices, there is the possibility a new treasurer is in office with no clue what the notice is about or what to do with it. Vicki asked why the association doesn't have an accountant. It seems the person in the treasurer position should not be expected to have the knowledge and know-how of an accountant. The treasurer's duties should be more of keeping and organizing records to turn over to the accountant. Several directors declared it was a great question but retaining an accountant would need to be voted on by the BOD and it could be expensive. Chris is going to ask what his accountant would charge, so the item was tabled.

Chris mentioned Ed spoke with Ron Sellers and they are going to meet with him to try and take over the Hall of Fame. That will bring up other issues such as forming a different committee for the HOF, so we're going to have to find board members, etc., to fill that committee. Chris and Joe talked about having a home ground for the HOF. Stacy suggested it be mobile, since we are rotating the state shoot and the HOF trailer should be present at the site of the state shoot. The question was raised about who would staff the trailer at shoots, but this issue was not pursued further.

A motion was made to approve the new business, which was seconded. The new business was unanimously approved by the board.

Vicki asked the directors if there was anything they wanted to bring up. Ed spoke up with information about the site of the Grand American, which is secure in Sparta, Illinois, until 2026.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 a.m.