

**Arizona State Trapshooting Association**  
**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

March 23, 2013

ASTA BOD meeting, Tucson Trap & Skeet Club, State Shoot

BOD Attendees:

Steve Long  
Mark Williams  
Doug Sims  
Scott McClelland  
Len Sullivan  
Richard Lockett  
Tim Robb  
George Miller

BOD Absent:

Larry Mane  
Dick Whitman

President Long called the meeting to order at 8:02am and welcomed all returning board members.

The first order of business was to elect the officers of the board.

Len Sullivan nominated Steve Long for President. Mark Williams seconded, with George Miller moving to close the nominations.

RESOLVED: Steve Long is elected President of the ASTA Board of Directors

Steve Long nominated Scott McClelland as Vice President. Doug Sims seconded, no further nominations were offered.

RESOLVED: Scott McClelland is elected Vice-President of the ASTA Board of Directors

President Long called for nominations for Secretary/Treasurer. Len Sullivan asked to address the board prior to any nominations being made.

Len Sullivan stated that several people whose opinion he valued had approached him Friday night and Saturday asking him to reconsider the decision to step down. Several people had pointed out that it isn't required for the Secretary to be Betty Sackett.

Mr. Sullivan continued: "God Bless Betty for all that she did, but Betty is one of a kind and I am not Betty Sackett. If we can, as Steve said, spread things around and establish a program committee who is in charge of the State Shoot program that starts tomorrow and has it in the mail by January, that would take a tremendous amount of pressure off. If we can spread out some of the things that Betty absorbed into the position and actually make it a Secretary / Treasurer position as defined in the bylaws...I can stay."

George Miller asked if the duties needed to be spread out first, or if Len was accepting the job now. Len Sullivan responded that he would accept the job as long as everyone understood that the duties had to be shared and that he was not going to write a program again.

Doug Sims added a comment that he had made to Len Sullivan that morning: "We in Tucson have done programs for all our big shoots and it's a duty that's not all that horrible. If we could pull some of that off of Len, we could assist in that."

Scott McClelland stated that the expectations that were put on him when he was Secretary for two years were "ten percent" of what was expected of Len, mostly due to the amount of work that Betty Sackett had done. He also suggested that the program committee had to have a person who was the central point of contact for communications regarding the program.

Richard Luckett reminded the board that when the state shoot rotates Ben Avery would have a say in the program. Scott McClelland responded that even if the shoot were in Pleasant Valley there would have to be a point person.

Tim Robb said that the board had been lulled into complacency by the amount of work that Betty had done. Betty was able to do in an afternoon tasks that would take the rest of the board a week to accomplish. Communication must be the central focus of the new board.

George Miller stated that he would be able to handle the advertising for the next state shoot and that most of the work had already been done.

Doug Sims nominated Len Sullivan as Secretary / Treasurer. Mark Williams seconded. There being no other nominations,

**RESOLVED:** Len Sullivan is elected as Secretary / Treasurer of the ASTA Board of Directors.

Tim Robb addressed the board about Dick Whitman and his cancer surgery. Mr. Whitman is recovering, but it will take some time for his recovery to be complete. Larry

Mane also has health issues and has missed two board meetings. The board will have to be conscious of the possibility that one or both of them may not be able to continue on the board.

President Long reminded the board that John Scanlon was allowed to remain on the board while he was having health issues, and that Larry Mane had been very helpful with the state shoot program. Discussion followed about how all of the board members would be able to do more to help each other and help the Tucson club with shoot offs.

The board discussed whether or not paid assistance was required for the Secretary / Treasurer position. President Long added that he had spoken with Betty Sackett, and that she had confirmed the "15 to 20 hours per week" estimate. Delegate Luckett led a discussion of the additional financial and paperwork burden that an employee would place on the association. It was decided that outside help was not needed and would create many additional issues if an attempt were made to pay any outside person or service with shooter funds.

President Long asked Tim Robb if there was any special paperwork needed for nominations to the Hall of Fame. Director Robb explained that the paperwork was available on the website and should be turned in to the HOF committee.

President Long reminded the group that any emails sent to him needed to be copied to other members of the board for transparency.

Director McClelland said that he had been approached about the possibility of moving the Spring Grand one week later in the year due to weather issues. The board agreed to discuss the issue further at the scheduling meeting.

Director McClelland also stated his support for adding runner up awards for categories and classes at the State Shoot.

President Long stated that he would talk with Game & Fish to arrange a meeting room at Ben Avery for the date scheduling meeting and would notify the board of the date. Secretary Sullivan requested a 30 minute extension be added to the shoot date meeting to set dates for future board meetings so that the dates could be published.

Director Miller asked for the history of the Home Ground fund to be published so that the membership would have the official reasoning available. President Long suggested that the discussion be added to the agenda for the shoot date meeting.

Doug Sims made a motion to adjourn. Mark Williams seconded.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 am.

Respectfully submitted:  
Len Sullivan Secretary/Treasurer