

Arizona State Trapshooting Association  
Board of Directors Meeting-Draft Pending Approval  
November 13, 2014

ASTA BOD meeting, Tucson Trap & Skeet Club, Tucson, AZ.

BOD Attendees:

Steve Long	Richard Lane
George Miller	Doug Sims
Tim Robb	Martin Benko
Ken Schatz	Tiger Volz
Mark Williams	

ATA Delegate:  
Richard Lockett

Members Attending:

Only one guest present at the meeting, Jay Alderman and he had no questions for the BOD.

President Long opened the meeting at 6:00 pm with a roll call of the Directors, all were present. President Long welcomed the two new Directors at this time, Martin Benko (South) and Tiger Voltz (Central).

Treasurer's Report:

Ken Schatz provided the chase bank account statement for the month of October 1-31, 2014:

Checking \$4,566.38

Home Grounds Fund \$47,868.83

Operating Fund \$91,945.47

Life Membership Fund \$13,903.88

Axline Award Fund \$5,501.06

Total Assets \$163,785.62

Doug Sims made a motion to approve the Treasurers report.

Martin Benko seconded the motion to approve the Treasurers report.

Vote to pass was unanimous.

Tim Robb reviewed the recommendations made by the Law Firm of Robert J. St. Clair to our Bylaws & Rules and Regulations of the ASTA all the proposed changes are listed below.

**To the Bylaws:**

**Section 3: Number and Qualifications b) Other requirements for Candidates for the Board may be added as determined from time to time by the Board of Directors.**

Tim Robb made a motion to approve the change.

George Miller seconded the motion to approve the change.

Vote to pass was unanimous.

## Section 6: Meetings

Meetings of the Board of Directors may be held anywhere in the **State of Arizona either in person or by telephonic methods** with the exception that the Annual Meeting shall take place at the same place as the Annual Meeting of the Members.

Ken Schatz made a motion to approve the change.

George Miller seconded the motion to approve the change.

Vote to pass was unanimous.

## Section 10: Disqualification

This section was revised to read as:

A member of the Board of Directors shall be disqualified and, his/her office on the Board of Directors shall automatically be declared vacant if:

a) A member of the Board of Directors shall miss three (3) consecutive meetings.

b) A member of the Board of Directors shall cease to be a resident of the State of Arizona.

**c) A member of the Board of Directors shall fail to meet the qualifications set forth in the Bylaws and the Rules and Regulations.**

**d) A member of the Board of Directors shall engage in any willful misconduct or activities that bring disrepute on the Association.**

The secretary should so declare the office vacant and the Board members from the disqualified member's Zone shall appoint a qualified member to fill the vacancy, subject to approval by the Board of Directors. The appointed Director will complete the remainder of the vacated Director's term until the next Annual Meeting of the Members.

**Disqualification may be waived for a member of the Board of Directors due to temporary medical disabilities prohibiting the member from participating in meetings or meeting other requirements. Any waiver of disqualification shall be approved by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.**

George Miller made a motion to approve the change.

Martin Benko seconded the motion to approve the change.

Vote to pass was unanimous

Tim Robb reviewed the changes to the Rules and Regulations:

Delegate Stipend:

This will be increased up to **\$2,000** to attend the Annual Board of Directors Meeting.

Doug Sims made a motion to approve the change.

Steve Long seconded the motion to approve the change.

Vote to pass was unanimous.

### Board of Directors Requirements

Board of Directors Candidates must have registered a minimum of 4,000 total targets in the target year prior to the year of the Annual Meeting of the Members, **be a Life Member of the ASTA and have registered targets in a tournament at a minimum of three (3) different Arizona Clubs.**

Martin Benko made a motion to approve the change.

George Miller seconded the motion to approve the change.

For the change: Steve Long, Tim Robb, George Miller, Ken Schatz, Tiger Volz, Doug Sims, Martin Benko, Richard Lane.

Against the change: Mark Williams.

Vote to pass eight (8) for, one(1) against; change passed.

### Other Recognition: (Policy Clarification)

**To be considered for High Average Recognition, shooters must have met the Men's State Team targets requirement for the respective discipline.**

### Rookie of the Year (Delegates Award)

To qualify for the Rookie of the Year Award, a shooter must have been a first time ATA member in the target year, a member in good standing of the ASTA and have registered the minimum of 500 Singles, **300 Handicap and 200 Doubles.**

The ASTA will also provide an ASTA Life Membership to the Rookie of the Year.

Ken Schatz made a motion to approve the change.

George Miller seconded the motion to approve the change.

Vote to pass was unanimous.

### Grand American Champions of Champions Event

The ASTA will award \$200 to each eligible Arizona Champion who competes in this event. The shooter will be reimbursed when their participation in the event has been **verified by the ASTA Secretary.**

Steve Long made a motion to approve the change.

George Miller seconded the motion to approve the change.

Vote to pass unanimous.

### Hall of Fame Criteria

#### Shooting Excellence

**Change was made in the number of wins from 3 to 6 (six) Major ATA Championship trophies.**

George Miller made a motion to approve the change.

Martin Benko seconded the motion to approve the change.

Vote to pass unanimous.

The Board agreed to print new booklets both Bylaws and Rules and Regulations with the changes listed above in bold print so everyone is aware of the changes. Booklets will be mailed to all clubs who throw ATA registered targets.

Ken Schatz proposed compensation for Website manager.

Currently we have someone who maintains our ASTA web page and also inputs and prepares format for all information for the printing of our State and HOF shoot programs. Website responsibilities include keeping all information current on shooting schedules, major shoot winners, State Team members, BOD names and contact information and more. As we are all aware, this individual receives no compensation for doing all of this. Information obtained regarding current average compensation for small business website managers ranges from \$50 to \$200 a month. Being proposed is that we pay \$50 a month for website management and \$300 for each of the two shoot programs produced. This would be a total of \$1,200 a year paid annually in January, starting 2015.

Martin Benko made a motion to approve the proposal for compensation.

Steve Long seconded the proposal for approval.

Vote to pass unanimous.

Next part of the meeting pertained to State Shoot Trophies.

Richard Luckett introduced criteria for selection of the State Teams, this responsibility goes to the ATA Delegate and the Secretary of the ASTA. What criteria should be used for age based category changes for shooters eligible for the State Team placement whose category changes as a result of a birthday during the target year. This will apply for selection of the State Team for 2014 target year and in the future. This will be added to the rules and regulations. We need a solution in writing so no confusion will occur.

**Policy-Age based categories are established on the birthday of the shooter. If a shooters' category changes during the target year, the category in which the shooter shot the longest period of time will determine team placement.**

Tiger Voltz made a motion to approve the policy.

Steve Long seconded the motion to approve the age based policy.

Vote to pass was unanimous.

The following questions were answered concerning the State Shoot Program. The following are the questions asked, some questions required a vote and are recorded below.

Starting time: Monday March 23, 2015 will not shoot.

Tuesday March 24, 2015 will start at 10:00 AM.

Wednesday thru Saturday March 25-28, 2015 will start at 9:00 AM.

Sunday March 29, 2015, Annual Meeting will be at 8:00 AM also voting for open Directors positions.

Program will start at 10:00 AM.

Target fee will be \$30.00 a hundred for the program.

Normal price for targets this year is \$34.00. Tucson Trap and Skeet Club have reduced the cost \$2.00 per hundred by not having to provide trophies for the shoot and the ASTA will help with this reduction in targets prices by giving \$6,000 toward the cost of targets.

Ken Schatz made a motion to approve the amount above to reduce the cost of targets.

Steve Long seconded the motion to approve the amount to be given to the Host Club.

Vote to pass was unanimous.

Options & Purses remain the same as 2013 program.

Bill and Lee Ann Martin have very generously donated \$10,000 for the Martin Lewis Challenge.

Pre Squadding will start February 15, 2015 and end March 22, 2015.

No change to R/V information.

Host Hotel is Casino Del Sol.

Additional squads will be added if all squads are full when an event starts.

**Doubles Championship will be Friday March 27, 2015.**

A motion was made by Tiger Voltz to vote on Friday Doubles.

Mark Williams seconded the motion.

Vote was (7) For and (2) Against.

For: Steve Long, Tim Robb, George Miller, Ken Schatz, Tiger Volz, Mark Williams, Richard Lane.

Against: Martin Benko, Doug Sims.

Order of events for the program to be decided by Tucson Club.

Annual meeting will be Sunday at 8:00 am March 29, 2015.

Martin Benko made a motion to approve the time and date of the Annual Meeting.

Steve Long seconded the motion.

Vote was unanimous.

Before the advertising part of the meeting George Miller requested the follow be added to the meeting minutes for a guideline for future mishaps.

**Re Trophies:**

In the unlikely event of an ASTA sponsored shoot not having trophies available for pick up at the shoot by the winners, I propose the following:

Trophies not picked up due to unavailability will be mailed to the winners as soon as Practical.

Trophies not picked up that were available will not be mailed as is our long standing practice. These trophies may be destroyed or stored depending on each situation and the trophy committee's( if there is one) decision.

The reason for a policy is twofold:

1. Many shooters want their trophies, especially new shooters who may not have won many.
2. The ASTA has a responsibility to provide trophies in a timely fashion. To deny won trophies for an extended time will hurt the reputation of the ASTA. The negative press generated could also hurt shooter turnout.

George Miller, Vice President of the ASTA.

Trophy Responsibilities listed below:

Wednesday March 25, 2015 responsibility Tim Robb; ready to go.

Thursday March 26, 2015 responsibility Mark Williams; ready to go.

Friday March 27, 2015 responsibility Richard Lane; ready to go.

Advertising George Miller: If all advertising clients pay on time, \$2,300 will be collected.

Added money for the State Shoot, per Ken Schatz: Residents \$4,550 Non-Residents \$3,375 for a Total of \$7,925.

The ASTA once again will supply shells for the three (3) Championship events for Sub-Juniors and Junior shooters. **The ASTA will not provide shells for Junior Gold shooters.**

The ASTA & Tucson Trap and Skeet Club will provide a dinner for all shooters and guests who shoot the State Program Friday March 27, 2015. The ASTA has donated \$4,000 for this dinner.

Assignment of Directors for Shoot offs for the State Shoot:

Friday March 27, 2015 -Richard Lane, Ken Schatz, George Miller, Steve Long.

Saturday March 28, 2015- Tiger Volz, Tim Robb, Martin Benko, Steve Long.

Sunday March 29, 2015- Steve Long, Ken Schatz, Martin Benko, Mark Williams.

Meeting ended at 8:40 pm.

Doug Sims made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Steve Long seconded the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kenneth Schatz  
ASTA Secretary/Treasurer