

Minutes of the White Mountain Shooters Association Board Meeting August 10, 2022

1. **Call to Order:** A quorum of Board members being present (11 of 11), the monthly meeting of the White Mountain Shooters Association (WMSA) Board of Directors was called to order by the Board President, Brenda Silva at 6:00 PM. Vice President Linda Gilbertson, Treasurer Vesta Melcher, Secretary Don Childers and CRSO John Kuehn were also present, as were Board members Jim Aylor, George Butcher, Robert Johnson, Mike Melcher, Brian Moffatt and Sam Underwood. WMSA members Ken Josten, Fred Bridges, Susie Underwood, Sharon DeSalme, Charles DeSalme, Tony Silva, Sheila Moffatt and Jeff Wall were present.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance.** Brenda Silva led the Board and other members in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Secretary's Report.** The Minutes from the July 22, 2022 Board Meeting and the 2022 Annual Meeting were emailed to the BOD for review and published on the WMSA website. A motion to approve the July and Annual Meeting Minutes was made by Linda Gilbertson and second by Sam Underwood. Motion passed by voice vote with no discussion and none opposed.
4. **Treasurer's Reports.** Vesta Melcher reviewed the July Treasurer's Report.
 - a. Highlights of the report included total income of \$6,458.30, resulting from new memberships and renewals, Range fees, donations from Range jar, commercial use of the Range, additional revenue from the AR-15 Class, and proceeds from the sale Second Knoll Target Range shirt; expenses totaled \$686.20 for website maintenance, porta-potties maintenance, Range phone and Range supplies. A returned check and associated fees were also reported as expenses, but were subsequently refunded and will appear as "Income" on the August financial report. There was a net gain of \$5,772.10 for the month of July and an ending checking account balance of \$107,742.95. A copy of the detailed Treasurer's Report is maintained in the Secretary's files. Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Sam Underwood and second by Mike Melcher. Discussion centered on the NSF check and subsequent redemption of same. The motion to approve the Treasurer's report passed by voice vote with none opposed.
 - b. Unreimbursed receipts were presented for payment by Board members; Brenda Silva in the total amount of \$711.58 as reimbursement for the cost of targets for the Public Range (\$575.25 – some of which will be reimbursed by clubs for their targets included in the order), materials for a "broom rack" for the Range connex and the cost of memorial plaques for the original donors of shooting benches at the Range, Linda Gilbertson in the amount of \$47.48 for a new flag and Don Childers in the amount of \$25.00 for annual membership in the Arizona State Pistol and Rifle Association. A payment in the amount of \$177.00 was also made to the Show Low Lions Club, in connection with the Shoot the Deuce fundraiser, for lunch for WMSA volunteers and entry fees for Young Guns participants as approved by the BOD. A motion to approve payment of outstanding reimbursement requests was made by Sam Underwood and second by Jim Aylor. Motion passed by voice vote with no additional discussion and none opposed.

- c. Monthly Shooter Days for May totaled 711 with 19 visitors.
- 5. **Membership Report.** Membership Report was provided by Tony Silva; as of July 31, 2022, there were 282 active memberships; composed of 127 Family and 155 Individual memberships with 169 dependent members for a total of 451 current WMSA members, including 42 juniors. A copy of the Membership Report was provided to the Secretary following the meeting to be filed in the Secretary's records.
- 6. **Publicity Secretary Report.** Linda Gilbertson
 - a. Linda submitted numerous photos of the Lion's Shoot the Deuce event to the WMI.
 - b. Linda continues to work on getting WMSA included in the "Arizona Gives" public donation program in April of each year that solicits contributions to 501.c.3 organizations statewide.
 - c. Two flags have been found in the office at the Range, a USCG flag and a POW flag, neither of which can be flown at the Range and will be returned to their owners.
- 7. **Range Update:** Brenda Silva reported on the following topics.
 - a. **Record setting shooter days and months.** There have been record high use days in June and July; RSOs should be ready for the influx of shooters and not send "extra" RSOs home early in the shift.
 - b. **New Tool/Broom shelf.** Brenda constructed and installed a new rack for tools and brooms in the Target Room on the 100 yd Range. Please use it and keep the area organized.
 - c. **Bins for sandbags.** Don Childers and John Kuehn are working to locate a suitable bin(s) for the sandbags at the 100 yd Range.
 - d. **Trashcans/Tools/Sandbag holder for Bays.** George Butcher reported on his efforts to provide trashcans and clean-up tools for the bays. George move to authorize up to \$150 to build and equip two clean-up stations in the bays area. After some discussion, George amended his motion to authorize up to \$300 for same. Sam Underwood seconds. **Motion passed by voice vote with no further discussion and none opposed.**
- 8. **Old Business.**
 - a. **Shoot the Deuce – After Action**
 - i. Brenda Silva thanked all the WMSA volunteers for their hard work to make this event a success and noted that the young shooters had fun.
 - ii. Brian Moffatt expressed this thanks to Rob Johnson and George Butcher for their assistance in preparing the Young Guns shooters for the match and noted that it really paid off in the standings.
 - iii. Jeff Wall noted that there were some difficulties with the steel plate targets, but everything worked out in the end.

- b. Build a Bench plaques were mounted this week on a display at the 100 Yd Range. Special thanks to Jim Aylor for this project.

9. New Business

- a. **RSO Training.** Don Childers and John Kuehn are working on an RSO Continuation Training program. Three dates have been selected and sign up sheets are available. A suggestion that additional dates could be scheduled next Spring to update any part-time resident RSOs that cannot make this round of Continuation Training will be considered.
- b. **Baywatch Committee Update.** George Butcher commented on the status of the Baywatch program and further stated that he believes a recent committee meeting resolved all the outstanding issues related to scheduling the bays through coordination between the primary users of the bays.
 - i. Bays are fully scheduled the second and fourth Saturdays and second and third Sundays each month for Cowboy and Practical Shooters recurring matches. Other recurring reservations are on the first Saturday and Sunday as well as the third Saturday of each month.
 - ii. All four bays are reserved for Cowboy/Practical Shooters match set up on the second and fourth Fridays each month.
 - iii. Generally, there are six openings for a Saturday or Sunday bay reservation and approximately 80 open bay opportunities on weekdays each month.
 - iv. Sam Underwood moved to formally approve the Baywatch scheduling as it now exist and is described above. Rob Johnson second. Motion passed by voice vote with no additional discussion and none opposed.
- c. **Report on the RSVP program.** This report was deferred until next month.
- d. **Gift Certificates for Memberships.**
 - i. Brenda Silva reported on a joint effort between herself, Linda Gilbertson and Vesta Melcher to prepare a plan to offer Gift Certificates for Memberships. Although the plan is still in its formative stages, generally the certificates would be purchased at full price anytime during the year with no pro-ration, would be tracked using a certificate with an individual number and certificates would be issued and redeemed by specified individuals. A proposed "certificate rendering" was provided for the Secretary's records. More to come on this topic.
 - ii. Mike Melcher moved to approve the issuance of Gift Certificates and continue with the planning process to determine the specifics of the program. Sam Underwood second. Motion passed by voice vote with no additional discussion and none opposed.
- e. **NRA Grant Recommendations.** Linda Gilbertson asked for suggestions on capital improvement projects that could be submitted to the NRA for a Grant. The deadline for submission to NRA is November 10, 2022. Suggestions included

- i. Expansion of the 100 yd Range office/target room.
- ii. Berm stabilization
- iii. Covers for firing line at the bays
- iv. Construction of "Safe Zone" for holstering/unholstering firearms at the bays.
This addition would need specific input from Matt Schwartzkopf.
- v. Additional First Aid equipment and training.
- vi. Additional steel targets.

10. **Motion to Adjourn.** Motion by Sam Underwood and second by Linda Gilbertson to adjourn at 7:07 PM. Motion passed by voice vote with none opposed.