

Minutes of the White Mountain Shooters Association Board Meeting

October 12, 2022

1. **Call to Order:** A quorum of Board Members were present (9/11) 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, was present as were Board members Jim Aylor, George Butcher, Robert Johnson, Brian Moffatt, and Sam Underwood. Secretary Don Childers and CRSO John Kuehn were not present, and Judy Sanchez was proxy for Mike Melcher who was recovering from surgery. WMSA members present were Tony Sanchez, Fred Bridges, Jeffrey Wall, Charles DeSalme, Susan Underwood, Clay Howard, Jeff Pferdert, Tony Silva, Sheila Moffatt, and Chris Wall.

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 September 14, 2022, Board Meeting were emailed to BOD for review and published on the WMSA website. A motion to approve the September Meeting Minutes was made by Sam Underwood and second by Robert Johnson. Motion passed by voice vote with no discussion, and none opposed.

4. **Treasurer's Reports:** Vesta Melcher reviewed the September Treasurer's Report
 - a. Highlights of the report include \$5116.40 in total income from New Memberships and renewals, range fees, range donation jar, brass redemption, and commercial classes. During the month expenses included website, office supplies, porta potty maintenance, garbage pick-up, club phone, range supplies, shirt order, audiology payment for RSO earplugs, AR class booklets and donation to the Masonic Lodge, total amount for all, \$2695.46. With a net gain of \$2420.94, total Checking Acct. ending balance is \$112,814.67. 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 Judy Sanchez and second by Sam Underwood. Motion passed by voice vote with no discussion, and none opposed.
 - b. Unreimbursed receipts were presented for payment by Board members; Tony Silva, reimbursement of \$158.21 for copy paper, stamps, and name badges for new RSOs. 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 August totaled 599 with 12 visitors.
- d. Donations were made for the month to Meals on Wheels (\$200) for use of their venue for Board Meetings and Masonic Lodge (\$52.00) for the use of their venue for the last AR class held by Jeff Wall.

5. Membership Secretary's Report: As of Sunday, September 30, 2022, we have 388 memberships. 164 Family and 224 Individual. Adding the 220 Dependent Members, that gives us 608 current WMSA members, which includes 56 Juniors.

6. Publicity Secretary's Report: Article advertising an AR class on Saturday, October 15, 2022, at the Masonic Lodge was published on Tuesday, September 27, 2022, in the White Mountain Independent.

7. Range Update:

- a. John Kuehn, CRSO though not present, sent a report. "Don Childers and I had 8 RSO Trainees in September. Some are already active; some have not signed up at all. Remember: If you're working with a man or woman who says it's his/her first day of OJT, take a little extra time explaining how things work on the range. Some have come from various ranges and assume things work the same everywhere; not so much at Second Knoll because of the unique situation we are in with the Forest Svc and Arizona Game & Fish. Secondly, we've had 3 guys offer to bring their tractors and attachments out to clean up the erosion. Ken Josten already did on the big curve coming toward the west into the Bullseye and 100-yard ranges. Thanks, Ken. After the monsoons are over for sure, we'll take another look at what can be done and proceed from there. Lastly, Jim Aylor and I placed the new, colored "whiskers" on the 100-yard range. If the lines are not straight, please see Jim."
- b. Bins for Sandbags has been delivered by Jim Aylor. They work great. Thanks Jim. The range looks much more organized due to your effort.
- c. Winter hours (10am-4pm) will begin on November 1, 2022.
- d. George Butcher had no report from the Baywatch Committee.

8. Old Business:

- a. NRA Grant for Safe Zones in the competition/training bays has been suspended. Due to time constraints and the inability to obtain all the information required for the grant in a timely fashion, the grant will not be applied for. Meantime, the board will continue to research the safe zone options.
- b. Seth Nadel Celebration of Life/Memorial recognition will occur on Monday, November 7, 2022. This event is for members of WMSA. An email blast has been sent to all members and a reminder email blast will be sent the end of October.
- c. The Navajo County Sheriff's Office held their TOP GUN event at the range on Wednesday, October 5, 2022. Fifteen officers competed.
- d. Policy revision regarding Law Enforcement Fees has been moved to the November Board Meeting.
- e. Arizona Gives – the state tax program will be applied for early November and will be addressed at the November Board Meeting.
- f. The AR class scheduled for Saturday, October 15, 2022, has 8 students registered. It is held at the Masonic Lodge. A donation in the amount of \$40 to the Masonic Lodge was recommended. Sam Underwood made the motion, seconded by Jim Aylor. Motion passes unanimously.
- g. Chris Wall presented the new MOU from the RSVP Program for our RSO volunteers. A motion was made by Sam Underwood to continue our involvement in the program, seconded by Judy Sanchez. Motion passed unanimously.
- h. Jim Aylor reported an update on the cellphone booster for the range. Considering that the board may want to have the ability on the range to utilize computers it was recommended that the board invest in a booster that will permit the downloading of data. Also included will be a timer to turn the booster off and on to minimize consumption of our solar batteries when the range is closed. Sam Underwood made a motion that Jim be permitted to spend up to \$750.00 on a cellphone booster. Vesta Melcher seconded. On a show of hands, the vote passed for the expense.
- i. Insurance for the Board of Directors was discussed. The amount of \$903.00 was recommended by our insurance carrier to be added to the amount of \$1743.00 which we pay currently for range insurance. This \$903.00 will add one-million-dollar coverage for our eleven board members. Robert Johnson moved to allow the

expense, seconded by Brian Moffatt. The vote was unanimous to allow the additional expense.

- j. The sign for commemorating Seth Nadel's contribution the range is in the process of being made by High 5 design to be attached to the already existing signposts at the public range. The range has been designated the Seth Nadel Memorial Range. Thanks to Jim Aylor for mounting this sign.

9. **New Business:**

- a. Weeding on the range is an item which will come up every year. Due to it being the end of monsoon, discussion of hiring a weeding company was tabled until next year.
- b. Change in WMSA Officer positions: Brenda Silva has resigned as President of WMSA Inc. She has accepted a position at the Olympic Center in Colorado Springs, CO. As such, according to the bylaws, Linda Gilbertson the current Vice-President assumes the President position. Judy Sanchez, proxy vote for the Bullseye Shooters, speaking on Mike Melcher's behalf, requested Mike be appointed as Vice President to fill the vacant position. The two positions were affirmed by voice vote with no discussion, and none opposed. Brenda Silva will remain on the board as member at large.

10. **Motion to Adjourn:** made by Sam Underwood, seconded by Robert Johnson. The vote was unanimous at 6:40pm.