

## Minutes of the White Mountain Shooters Association Board Meeting March 8, 2023

1. **Call to Order:** A quorum of Board members being present (8 of 11), the March 2023 meeting of the White Mountain Shooters Association (WMSA) Board of Directors was called to order by the Board President, Linda Gilbertson at 6:00 PM. Vice President Mike Melcher, Treasurer Vesta Melcher and Secretary Don Childers were present, as were Board members George Butcher, Robert Johnson, Brian Moffatt and Brenda Silva. WMSA members, Tony Silva, Clay Howard, Sheila Moffatt, Jeff Moyer, Charles DeSalme, Sharon DeSalme, Chris Wall, and Jeff Wall were present.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance.** Linda Gilbertson led the Board and other members in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Secretary's Report.** The Minutes from the February 8, 2023 Board Meeting were reviewed by the BOD and published on the WMSA website. A motion to approve the February meeting minutes was made by Robert Johnson and second by Mike Melcher. Motion passed by voice vote with none opposed.
4. **Treasurer's Reports.** Vesta Melcher reviewed the February Treasurer's Report for the Board.
  - a. Highlights of the report included total income of \$628.25, resulting from new memberships and renewals, Range fees, donations from Range jar and sponsorship renewals and proceeds from First Defense range rental; expenses totaled \$836.50 for website maintenance, porta-potties maintenance, garbage pick-up, range phone and Range supplies as well as a sample for a Second Knoll logo hat from Pine Needle Embroidery. There was a net loss of \$208.25 for the month of February and an ending checking account balance of \$114,873.68. Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Brenda Silva and second by Mike Melcher. The motion to approve the Treasurer's report passed by voice vote with none opposed. A copy of the Treasurer's Report was provided to the Secretary following the meeting to be filed in the Secretary's records.
  - b. Receipts were presented for payment by Tony Silva in the amount of \$36.62 for USB thumb drives for the Treasurer and Secretary and by Linda Gilbertson in the amount of \$45.53 for business cards. Brian Moffatt moved to approve these expenses and Mike Melcher second. Motion passed by voice vote with none opposed.
  - c. Monthly Shooter Days for February totaled 229 with 4 visitors, although the Range was closed for parts of four (4) days due to inclement weather.
5. **Publicity Secretary Report.** Linda Gilbertson.
  - a. The WMI published a front page article about Seth Nadel's background and his role in the effort to bring the Second Knoll Target Range to fruition.

- b. The WMI also has plans to publish a story on the Range as it is now, including public shooting days and the clubs using the facility.

**6. Membership Report.** The Membership Report was provided by Tony Silva; as of February 28, 2023, there were 445 active memberships; composed of 260 individual and 185 family memberships; adding the 255 dependent members gives a total of 700 current WMSA members, including 70 juniors. A copy of the Membership Report was provided to the Secretary following the meeting and will be filed in the Secretary's records.

**7. Range Update.**

**a. Range Status – Linda Gilbertson for John Kuehn**

- i. John is still in the hospital and Linda will be coordinating the Range schedule for the time being.
- ii. Rob Gerner will no longer be able to maintain and build target stands, any volunteer to take over this vital responsibility should contact Linda.
- iii. Linda commented on the importance, and advantage of RSO/volunteer hours at the Range. AZGFD insists that volunteer reports be submitted IAW their requirements; RSOs and volunteers need to ensure that each AZGFD Daily Time Sheet is completed accurately and used for only one day per report.

**b. Baywatch Committee Update – George Butcher.** A member advised of a problem with the "email from the website" process which was easily corrected by Richelle Anderson.

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**8. Old Business.**

**a. RSO Appreciation Event (food for the Range event in May) – Chris Wall.**

Nothing to report at this time – need to settle on a date.

- i. Discussion on date/time of event: tentatively set as Wednesday, May 24, 2023 from 11:00 to 2:00 PM.
- ii. Chris to contact potential caterers and report back.

**b. CAP Rifle Class Update (sponsorships - \$17.25/student books) – Don Childers.** Don is seeking sponsors for CAP Cadets student materials. The cost per workbook is approximately \$17.25 per cadet with 12 sponsorships needed. We are still looking for seven (7) sponsors; contact Don if interested.

**c. Pine Needle Embroidery – Vesta Melcher.**

- i. Pine Needle Embroidery was contacted as a possible vendor for Second Knoll Target Range hats and shirts. These items would be good advertising for the Range and as a souvenir of Show Low for summer visitors. Vesta is asking for Membership input on color, font and logo.

- ii. Discussion: hats and shirts could be stocked at the Range, the cost of the hats and shirts would be a donation that equaled the total cost of the item, the embroidery, tax and shipping charged by Pine Needle Embroidery. Possible shirt styles include men's golf shirts, women's V-neck and T-shirts. Colors would be limited.
- d. **Church Group (July 11 & 12) Brian Moffatt.** Contact with the group leader has confirmed both days (Tuesday and Wednesday) and will use the Nadel Range. Brian will announce the number of RSOs needed at a later date.
- e. **Non-Agenda Item: Abandoned Firearms Policy – Don Childers.** Don and Jeff Wall will meet with NCSO Lt Whipple to determine additional options for surrendering abandoned firearms to NCSO.

9. **New Business. Linda Gilbertson**

- a. **Second Knoll/NASA Range/HUB/Sharpshooters.** Linda is working on an article for the WMI on shooting locations and opportunities in the White Mountains.
- b. The Northern Arizona Sportsman's Association (NASA) Range in St Johns allows for shooting at ranges of up to 1,000 yards. The NASA Range director, Joe Green, plans to open the Range one (1) day per month in the beginning. They are still working on organization and RSO training; WMSA may be asked to assist.

10. **Motion to Adjourn.** Motion by Brian Moffatt and second by Brenda Silva to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 PM. Motion passed by voice vote with none opposed.