

Minutes of the White Mountain Shooters Association Board Meeting May 10, 2023

1. **Call to Order:** A quorum of Board members being present (9 of 11), the May 2023 meeting of the White Mountain Shooters Association (WMSA) Board of Directors was called to order by the Board President, Linda Gilbertson at 5:57 PM. Vice President Mike Melcher, Treasurer Vesta Melcher, Secretary Don Childers and CRSO John Kuehn were present, as were Board members Jim Aylor, George Butcher, Brenda Silva and Sam Underwood. WMSA members, Tony Silva, Charles DeSalme, Sharon DeSalme, Deborah Childers, Tony Sanchez, Judy Sanchez, Fred Bridges, Jeff Pferdeort, Christina Crotser, John Taroli and Jeff Wall were present as was Matt Schwartzkopf and Hunter Outlaw from AZGFD.
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 April 19, 2023 Board Meeting were reviewed by the BOD and published on the WMSA website. A motion to approve the April meeting minutes was made by Mike Melcher and second by Sam Underwood. Motion passed by voice vote with none opposed.
4. **Treasurer's Reports.** Vesta Melcher reviewed the April Treasurer's Report.
 - a. Highlights of the report included total income of \$6,746.33, resulting from new memberships and renewals, Range fees and donations from Range jar, donations from AZ Gives and a private party as well as commercial range rental; expenses totaled \$1,446.18 for website maintenance, porta-potties maintenance, garbage pick-up, range phone and Range supplies and printing. There was a net gain of \$5,300.15 for the month of April and an ending checking account balance of \$119,760.71. Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Sam Underwood and second by Brenda Silva. 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. Jeff Wall proposed to match any contributions from BOD Members to bring the ending bank balance to an even \$120,000, there were no takers.
 - c. Receipts were presented for reimbursement by Tony Sanchez for target frame materials in the amount of \$69.40, Linda Gilbertson for a new Range PA microphone and batteries, MailChimp email blast and a new NRA flag in the total amount of \$126.16 and from Tony Silva for stamps and paper in the amount of \$195.04. A motion to approve payment of receipts was made by Sam Underwood and second by Jim Aylor. Motion passed by voice vote with none opposed.
 - d. Monthly Shooter Days for April totaled 376 with 9 visitors.

5. **Publicity Secretary Report.** Linda Gilbertson had nothing to report.

6. **Membership Report.** The Membership Report was provided by Tony Silva; as of May 10, 2023, there were 473 active memberships; composed of 275 individual and 198 family memberships; adding the 274 dependent members gives a total of 747 current WMSA members, including 76 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. John Kuehn**

a. One new RSO was trained in the last 30 days.

b. Don Childers announced that two LDS groups had contacted WMSA about using the Range during their respective summer encampments; Brian Moffatt is the point-of-contact for one group scheduled for July 11th and Don is POC for another large group scheduled for June 27th & 28th. Jeff Wall volunteered to assist with the June group.

b. **Baywatch Committee Update – George Butcher.** Nothing to report other than normal Club activity.

8. **Old Business.**

a. **Silver Creek Archery Range. Christina Crotser.**

a. Christina gave a presentation on her formation of an archery group to be called White Mountain Archery (WMA) following an email blast to the WMSA general membership, there were 14 positive responses. Christina formed the club with the intent of requesting WMSA to take on WMA as a sanctioned club, but WMA will manage the Silver Creek Archery Range (SCAR) and use that location for their archery activities. There was a short discussion as well as a Q&A with Christina about details of her plan to manage the SCAR. Based on the proposal, WMSA would take on WMA for purposes of insurance and the 501.c.3. non-profit umbrella. Christina assured the BOD that WMA would pay their own way with regard to insurance and other recurring expenses.

b. George Butcher moved to form a committee from the BOD to meet with Christina and obtain more information on the WMA club, then make a recommendation on moving forward. Sam Underwood second. Motion passed by voice vote with none opposed.

c. **NOTE.** In the days following the meeting, Christina sent an email to the BOD members withdrawing the proposal.

b. **AR-15 Class. Jeff Wall.** Jeff is looking for a different venue for the next AR class in an effort to accommodate more participants; possibly Timber Mesa Fire Station #13. More information will be available at the next meeting.

- c. **RSO Appreciation Event.** The RSO Appreciation luncheon scheduled for May 24th has been cancelled due to a perceived lack of interest, however a future date in June or July seems possible. George Butcher believes he knows a caterer who might be willing to accommodate the number of participants we expect. Discussion about some RSO refresher training at the event. More information to follow via email.
- d. **CAP Rifle Class. Don Childers.** Don gave a short recap of the successful CAP training; 13 cadets were awarded badges and certificates at the conclusion of the training.

9. **New Business. Linda Gilbertson**

- a. **Road to the Range (FR 206)** The condition of the access road to Second Knoll Target Range was briefly discussed and referred to Matt Schwartzkopf for repair.
- b. **Stop the Bleed Training.** Jeff Wall announced that he is planning a Stop the Bleed class in the near future. More information will follow.
- c. **Opening the Range on additional days.** WMSA member and RSO Fred Bridges commented that the RSO schedule seems to be full lately and suggested that we should consider opening on an additional day every week if there are enough RSOs available. Linda Gilbertson promised to add this issue as an agenda item for the June meeting.

10. **Motion to Adjourn.** Motion by Sam Underwood and second by Mike Melcher to adjourn. Motion passed by voice vote with none opposed.