

Minnesota Sporting Clays Association (**MSC**)
Board Meeting Minutes 4/15/24 Location: Scheels, Eden Prairie, MN

Attendees: Present: **Scott Davis, Steve Coutant, Rick Potter, Dylan Burns, Dennis Vierling, Mike Steinmetz, Garrett Mitchell** representing **John Barr**
Called in: **David Grell Joel Meier**
Absent: **Nate Petersen, Hans Erickson, Debbie Mortensen**
Others attending:

President Scott Davis called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and roll call was taken.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the February 26, 2024 MSC meeting were reviewed and discussed. Motion by Rick to approve and post online. Second by Denny. Motion approved unanimously.

Mike read into the meeting a motion that was approved via email vote. The motion read: The Board will raffle off a Browning 725 and a Beretta A400 Xcel sporting under a single raffle letting the first ticket drawn choose the gun they want and the second ticket drawn gets whichever gun is left. Assuming all 800 targets are sold that would generate approximately \$12,300 in profit.

Officer Reports

- President – Scott reported he received a request from David at Minnesota Horse & Hunt Club requesting changes to the shoot schedule. They are not holding a shoot on May 4 - May 5; would like to remove the words “Circuit 2” from the State FITASC shoot on June 21 – June 23; would like to rename the July 3 – July 7 shoot to “Red, White, and Brew;” and are not holding a shoot on August 16 – August 18. This was approved; no new shoot dates were requested.

Garrett suggested other clubs may want to hold shoots on those two dates, or maybe multiple clubs would want to throw a combined shoot. Scott will email the MSC member clubs, and discuss with a potential new club, River Ridge, to let them know those two dates are now available for registered shoots.

- Vice President – Rick reported Al Duce has suggested money in the women/youth fund that was donated by individuals be used as increased purse money for the state shoot. Rick will have Al get the record of what those donations were as the next step.
- Treasurer – Dennis obtained signatures from Scott and Dylan on the gun raffle application. The raffle number doesn’t change from year-to-year, so next year we can get the raffle tickets printed before the application is completed.

Delegate Reports – Scott reported the proposed NSCA rule change requiring shooting European-style tournaments in station order was not approved.

Financial Report

Dennis reported our current account balance is \$17,882 and our Youth/Women account has a balance of \$14,753. Dennis also sent a check to the plaque company to replace the check they didn’t get last year.

Committee Reports

See below under Old Business.

Old Business

- State Shoot Updates – Garrett reported John would like to know which trophies should be awarded at the State Championships. Medallions will be provided by the MSC as per previous years, but there is no standard for other trophies, it’s up to the club. Garrett will connect John with Debbie to find out what she did last year.

- Raffle Gun Update – The permit application is complete, and the guns have been purchased from Reed’s although not yet received by Mike. David will check on when the guns will be shipped to Mike. Rick will have the tickets printed and sent to the clubs, and also to David, to sell.
- Website – The Hall of Fame members are listed on the MSC website.
- Hall of Fame – Scott described the process: once someone is nominated, the nominee sends their credentials to the MSC Board. The Board then validates the point criteria is met and considers other factors, and with a simple majority vote of approval can place the nominee on the ballot. At that point the Board sends the information to the Hall of Fame Election Committee. A 2/3 majority vote, 8 of 12 votes, by the Election Committee is required for admission to the Hall of Fame. Anyone who is elected by the Committee will be inducted at the State Championship in August.

We received a nomination today for a candidate for the Hall of Fame along with the summary of their qualifying points, which met the points criteria. Motion by Rick to place the candidate on the Hall of Fame ballot and refer it to the Election Committee. Second by Steve. Motion approved unanimously.

We have 4 openings that need to be filled on the Election Committee. Motion to approve the following members as candidates for the Hall of Fame Election Committee: Bruce Glawe, Kevin Stasson, Denny Vierling, Mike Steinmetz, Gene Kalway, Kevin Burns, Jack Weber, Joe Ebsen, Tim Faldet, and John Wiederholt. Second by Steve. Motion approved unanimously. Scott will call and request their participation on the Committee.

- Lady and Youth – David reported he spoke with Karen & Gebben Miles about putting on a seminar for women and youth. This could be an option although the cost is higher than we expected.

David then presented information about the MidwayUSA Foundation and the possibility of using them as a conduit for support of women and youth shooting.

Discussed holding a youth tournament at a State Championship the day before the tournament starts.

Tabled and referred to the Women/Youth Committee for further discussion at our June meeting.

New Business

- 2026 State Championship bid forms to be sent out – Mike we will send out the bid forms for the 2026 state shoots.
- Review and approve MSC support money for each state shoot – we will use the same wording on the bid form as in the past, where the support levels are not yet approved but listing the amount of support from the previous year.

Discussed the idea of awarding the State Championship for two years at a time to the same club in the future.

- Next meeting’s topics will be approving 2026 state shoots; approving the support money levels for the state shoots; and reallocating money that was donated to the women/youth fund. Also, there may be a request coming for funding for a ladies’ shoot at Horse & Hunt.

Motion by Mike to adjourn. Second by Steve. Motion approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned by President Scott Davis at 8:07 pm.

Next Meeting: June 10, 2024, 6 pm, Scheels, Eden Prairie, MN