

## IOWA STATE TRAPSHOOTING ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting  
February 12, 2012

President Dave Wickman called the Board Meeting of the Iowa State Trapshooting Association to order at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 12, 2012, in a meeting room at the Holiday Inn, Ames, Iowa.

Present were: President Dave Wickman, SW Zone Director Jon Peterson, NW Zone Director Jim Cole, SE Zone Director Mick Friedel and NE Zone Director Barrie Swinbank; Alternate Zone Directors Dennis Dozark, Kevin Hartwig, Dan Schlicher and Ronald Munkel; ATA Delegate Dan Wood; ATA Alternate Delegates Robert Doerres and Lori Wickman; and Secretary/Treasurer Debra Oelmann.

The minutes of the November 5, 2011 Board Meeting were read. Jon Peterson moved, Jim Cole seconded, the minutes be placed on file. The financial statements were reviewed. Jon Peterson moved to approve the financials, seconded by Barrie Swinbank, motion carried.

A discussion was held on the state teams. A suggestion was made to limit how many marathon targets a shooter can shoot to make state team or lower the target requirements. After discussion, the target requirements will remain the same. However, starting in 2012, anyone interested in being eligible on the state teams must complete an application. The applications must be received by Deb no later than October 1st to be considered. Also, instead of the Men's Team, it will now be called the Elite State Team which will consist of the top 12 shooters regardless of age or gender. The current category teams will continue to be recognized.

Dave brought everyone up-to-date on the sales/use tax audit. Our offer of \$35,000 has been rejected by the DOR. Their counteroffer is \$71,000. The amount of \$50,000 was tossed around. We could probably pay this amount without the need to go through the Department's collections process if we solicit the Association's members for contributions. It was agreed to solicit contributions in the annual spring letter. Contribution levels have been decided upon as follows: Copper \$50; Bronze \$100; Silver \$250; Gold \$500; Platinum \$1,000; and Diamond \$2,000. Donors will be recognized on a plaque which will be displayed in the registration building. The receipt given to the shooters at our shoots needs to show the breakdown of targets, service and tax. After discussion, Barrie Swinbank moved to give Dave Wickman authority to settle with the DOR in the \$50,000 area with payment in full no later than September 1, 2012, seconded by Jon Peterson, motion carried.

Trophies were then discussed. The ATA added three new categories for the 2012 target year which are Sub Veteran for shooters age 55 through 64; Lady II for lady shooters age 55 and older; and Junior Gold for shooters age 19 through 23. Mick Friedel

moved that the ISTA purchase trophies for these new categories (in state and out of state) for the following events: Event 6 Hawkeye Singles, Event 8 Preliminary Doubles, Event 10 Championship Doubles, Event 11 Preliminary Handicap, Event 12 Championship Singles, Event 14 Championship Handicap, High Over All and High All Around, seconded by Jon Peterson, approved 3-1.

It was then discussed whether these new categories will be included in the ISTA state teams. Barrie Swinbank moved that these new categories will not be included in the state team composition until the ATA decides to keep these categories for future target years, then this decision will be reviewed at a later date, seconded by Jon Peterson, approved 3-1.

Dave stated that Leisure Time Golf Carts has agreed to rent us carts at a price of \$27.50 per cart per day for the next three years for any shoots we need them for.

Tim Carroll has agreed to do our program again this year and is selling advertising. The Board will work on event sponsorship for the program at the following levels: \$1,000 Platinum, \$500 Gold, \$250 Silver and Bronze \$100. Denny Dozark stated that Pioneer Hi-Bred is on board for sponsoring the Singles Championship at the platinum level. Jon Peterson stated that Farmers National Company is also on board for sponsoring the Handicap Championship at the platinum level.

A discussion was also held on having a Handicap Challenge at the State Shoot. The Board members have agreed to donate \$100 each starting the purse out at \$1,300. This challenge will be held immediately after the Championship Handicap event on Sunday. Participants will be all the in state and out of state handicap winners on all the handicap events, plus two wild card participants (one in state and one out of state) who participate in 3 out of the 5 handicap events. The winner will take the entire purse. Jon Peterson moved to add to this purse \$1.00 from each handicap event entry at the 2012 state shoot, seconded by Mick Friedel, motion carried. To give an idea of this amount, there were 1,731 handicap entries at the 2011 state shoot.

Robert Doerres then discussed creating a scholarship(s) for high school graduating seniors to be awarded at the Friday ceremonies at the State Shoot with the funds in the youth account. Bob handed out a suggested proposal listing the criteria for the scholarship(s) that the applicant must have shot a minimum of 1,000 registered targets (1,500 starting in 2014) and must be an Iowa resident and member of the ISTA/ATA. On the application form the applicant must write an essay on how trapshooting has had an impact on the applicant's life and list the number of years shooting. The applicant must also list any extra credits, i.e. extra curricular activities, volunteering, participation at

State Shoot(s), AIM, SCTP, the Grand, etc. The application must be submitted by July 1<sup>st</sup> of each year to the ISTA Secretary. Then the applications will be sent to a committee for selection by July 15<sup>th</sup> of each year. Barrie Swinbank made a motion to accept the scholarship criteria as explained above, with a maximum amount of \$2,000 awarded annually with a maximum of \$1,000 individually (amounts to be determined by the selection committee) adding that once a copy of the completed first semester's transcript from any accredited post secondary educational institution is received by the ISTA Secretary, the awarded scholarship will be disbursed. This motion was seconded by Jim Cole, motion carried. Bob Doerres should update his proposal and email the revision to Deb for posting on the website.

A suggestion was made to check into changing our 501(c)(7) status to a 501(c)(3) which would eliminate our real estate taxes. Dave will discuss this with our attorney.

Tractors for pulling the wagons up and down the trap line were discussed. Denny Dozark will work on obtaining two tractors. Denny made brackets for the speakers.

The high school shoot was discussed. The high school shoot committee would like us to give them a cost for the ISTA to furnish the scorekeepers and trap house fillers. After discussion, it was decided that we are not in a position to furnish this service. Deb is to get the high school camping reservation form to Ben Berka.

It was then brought to the attention of the Board that the contributor of the state team rings is no longer going to contribute rings for the new state team members.

Sunset Distributing (Dean and Mike Bright) is donating a Fabarm H368 12 gauge gun as a fundraiser to the ISTA. Jon Peterson moved to raffle this gun at \$5.00 per ticket (1,000 ticket maximum) with the proceeds going to the sales/use tax issue. The winner does not need to be present to win. This was seconded by Mick Friedel, motion carried.

A motion was made by Jim Cole that the meeting adjourn, seconded by Mick Friedel. Meeting adjourned at 2:00 pm.

Debra Oelmann  
Secretary