

Arizona State Trap Association
Board of Directors - Regular Meeting
Tucson T&S Club – Board Room
February 29, 2024

Meeting Minutes

I. Call to order

Meeting called to order 5:57 PM by President Greg Holden

II. Roll Call

Greg Holden, Ron Ballou, Chris Cusumano, Doug Sims, Jesse Zamora, Cherel McCracken, Walter Allen, Kaitlin Quan, Steve Bell, ATA Delegate – Don Williamson.

III. Financial Report

Treasurer – Steve Bell presented a review of the January bank statement. The balance as of January 31, 2024 was \$103,721.32. The ASTA will receive \$11,017 rebate from the ATA for the 2023 target year plus daily fees collected in Tucson for the Spring Grand. This should bring the balance after State trophy expenses to around \$117k by month end. This will be in line with previous year end balances of December 2022 at \$118k and December 2023 at \$111k.

IV. ATA News

ATA Delegate - Don Williamson informed the Board that the Illinois Department of Natural Resources and the ATA have signed a contract extension that clears the way for the World Shooting and Recreational Complex in Sparta to host the ATA Grand American through 2036. There will be no cost increase for the ATA in the new lease through 2036. The Western Zone will start Big 50's again beginning September 1, 2025. Greg Pink will be running the Big 50 program for the ATA.

The Western Zone dates are July 19-21, 2024. Casa Grande has requested to host the Zone this year. The ASTA must finalize a decision by March 25th to meet the Zone deadline of April 1st for clubs to participate. Don listed the criteria required to host the Zone shoot, including shooter comfort requirements due to the extreme heat in July. Walter will meet with Casa Grande next week to review the criteria and confirm whether or not Casa Grande can meet these requirements. The ASTA will consider rotating the Western Zone among Arizona clubs for future Zone events.

V. Unfinished Business

1. 2024 State Shoot Update

- i. The ASTA/2 LAZY 2 Contract was finalized January 10, 2024.
- ii. Cherel provided an update on the meeting with management of Ben Avery. Attendees were: Steve Kennedy, Mark Williams, Steve Bell, Jesse Zamora and Cherel. Key commitments obtained from Ben Avery were to: grade the field, inspect and prep all trap machines prior to the event; provide line personnel to attend to all trap machines as needed during the tournament. ASTA Board Members will set the machines to comply to ATA standards for each event with assistance from Ben Avery personnel. In addition, Ben Avery will be open on Monday March 11, 8am – 3:30pm to provide practice on fields 5, 6 & 7 and staff to service shooters as needed. This is in response for having all trap fields closed to the public the week prior due to the Western Regional Sporting Clay Championship.
- iii. The State Program was completed by Tracey Petrisko and mailed out February 5th by West Press Printers. Invoice was \$1,987.54.
- iv. Sponsor funding is still due from Shotgun's West and White Flyer. Greg will follow-up on Shotgun West – Cherel will follow-up with Bill Daniels for White Flyer.
- v. The ASTA will provide lunch tickets to shooters for Friday & Saturday (\$10 lunch tickets - 1 ea. day, 450 max. not to exceed \$4,500.00

2. State Trophy Update:

- i. All ATA Championship trophies for both resident and non-resident have been received and reconciled by Steve and Jesse.
- ii. Steve obtained buckles for the State Teams and HAA/HOA events.
- iii. Greg will present the State Team awards and inform members an application will no longer be required to be submitted to qualify for the State Team. Greg will also award the Paul Wolf buckle.
- iv. ATA Delegate - Don Williamson will present the Rookie of the Year buckle to Gunner Manterola.
- v. Directors up for re-election are:
 - a. Northern Zone – Steve Bell (retiring)
 - b. Central Zone – Jesse Zamora (retiring)
 - c. Southern Zone – Walter Allen

Replacements candidates for the retiring Directors have been solicited.

VI. New Business

1. (See ATA Delegate report above regarding the Western Zone)

Meeting adjourned 7:10 PM.

Submitted by: Secretary – Jesse Zamora