



EAGLE CAP SHOOTERS ASSOCIATION

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General Meeting Minutes

Date: September 21, 2021

Status: Approved

Board Members Present: Bill Oliver, John Amond, Gary Bethscheider, John Straughan, Ken Hauxwell, Adam Saxton, MJ Van Dine

Board Members Absent: Dave Kuhlman

Members & Guest(s): Kim Hutchison, Steve Wolfe, Mary Parrot, Robert Parrot, Tom Crooks, Dale Rasmussen, Jack James, Mike Teece, Bill Botelho, Mike Teece, Dan & Lily Bostedt

Handouts: August 2021 minutes, ECSA September financial statements, Inactive Members list, ECSA Waiver of Liability.

Meeting called to order at 6:35 pm

Last Month's Minutes

The August minutes were read and approved on a motion by John Straughan and seconded by Mike Teece. Membership was reminded that the meeting minutes and the agenda are emailed to members. If you plan to attend ECSA meetings, please print them out and bring them with you to the meetings. Printed copies will not be available for handout.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report was read and approved on a motion by Ken Hauxwell and seconded by Adam Saxton. Current checking account balance is \$13,502.24 and current savings account balance is \$10,399.79. The detail of the Treasurer's Report is available by contacting John Amond.

Membership Report

The Treasurer reported that current membership count is 338 paid annual members plus 56 lifetime or 10-year members for a total membership of 394 members

Old Business

Range Report

New NRA Regional Representative Ian Quimby

Bill Oliver gave a report about his recent onsite meeting at the range with the new NRA Regional Representative Ian Quimby. Bill said he looks forward to working with Ian.

New Black Powder Cartridge shooting platform



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Bill Oliver reported on his recent meeting at the range with long-time Black Powder Cartridge Shooting enthusiast Jack Thompson. Jack is very interested in helping to revive this shooting sport at the range. A new platform/shooting area has been created to provide a nicer area from which to shoot and to better align shooters with the targets.

Maintenance Trailer Padlock

MJ Van Dine said the missing padlock was found inside the trailer and the trailer has been secured.

Conex Storage Container

Gary Bethscheider stated he will be moving the empty 20-foot Conex storage container currently located at the competition bays to the North end of the rifle house very soon.

New Education Building Project

Gary Bethscheider provided an update on building construction and said the trusses and the roof will be installed Monday or Tuesday of next week.

Bill Oliver proposed a Budget Committee meeting to update the construction budget. The Treasurer recommended holding off on a meeting for now, and then provided a brief budget update.

As a reminder regarding construction spending, Steve Wolfe said the \$50,00.00 in NRA grant funds needs to be spent first before spending the \$43,000.00 in existing ECSEA funds. Steve also noted he has received an anonymous donation of \$15,000.00.

Gary Bethscheider mentioned Steve is donating four paid workers to install the roof and thanked Steve for his generous donation.

Steve said he would like to get his temporary loan of \$10,000.00 to the ECSEA back sometime soon.

John Straughan reported about the online donation page on the ECSA website and a separate GoFundMe campaign. To date \$450.00 has been given by 3 donors via PayPal on the ECSA website and \$675.00 has been given by 6 donors through the GoFundMe campaign. The funds have been transferred to the ECSEA bank account.

In addition, Gary Bethscheider said Charles & Suni Danforth made a very generous donation of a \$3,000.00 check.

Bill Oliver requested an update on the progress of the construction of two metal donation boxes for the rifle and pistol ranges. Bill Botelho was not present to report but based on the report at the August meeting, one box has been completed.

Event Revenues



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Revenues from the 6/19 Military Rifle Shoot, 7/3 PRS Match, 7/17 NRL22 Match, and the 8/7 PRS Match are still due the ECSA from Match Director MJ Van Dine. MJ Van Dine gave a report and reconciliation of revenues and expenses. In summary, he stated after expenses, he owes the ECSA a total of \$230.00.

ECSA Waiver of Liability

Bill Oliver shared a handout of the final version of the ECSA Waiver of Liability completed by Ben Boyd and then asked for a motion to adopt. Adam Saxton made a motion to adopt the final version of the Waiver, Ken Hauxwell seconded the motion, the Board voted, and the motion passed unanimously.

The Waiver will be added to: The back of the Range Safety Orientation Quiz, the back of the Membership application, the bulletin board at the rifle range and the ECSA website.

ECSA Armorer

Bill Oliver thanked Kim Hutchison and Mike Teece for retrieving the guns and gun safe from Donna Goebel. Kim provided the ECSA with a written inventory of all firearms with serial numbers and description.

New Business

December 2020 Membership Gun Raffle

Robert & Mary Parrot won the December 2020 Membership Gun Raffle for the bolt-action rifle purchased from MJ Van Dine. Robert and Mary have graciously decided to donate the rifle back to the ECSA in memory of Clarence Norton. The group thanked the Parrots for their heartfelt generosity. Bill Oliver said we really need to think how to best donate the rifle in honor of Clarence.

Recap of the Fall Youth Shoot

Kim Hutchison recapped the 9/18 Youth Shoot, reporting there were 36 shooters participating. Three new rifles were awarded – one for the winner of each age group, and one for the Top Female Shooter.

Kim proposed suggestions for improving the event next year which included: scheduling the 2022 Youth Shoot for August to beat the inclement weather, moving the bowling pins farther back, purchasing a few .22 Cricket rifles for the smaller kids to shoot, doubling the size of the 'Test Your Limits' event, and replacing the open sights on the Smith & Wesson M&P 15-22 rifles with red-dot optics.

Kim mentioned he donated two bricks of .22LR ammunition for the Youth Shoot, for which he would like to be reimbursed.

Regarding the 2020 Youth Shoot, Steve Wolfe said he believes the ECSEA has a \$330.00 credit on the ECSA books to be used as future Youth Shoot funds. The Secretary will find the original email of the 2020 event revenue & expense reconciliation to determine whether this is a credit due ECSEA or an ECSA profit after expenses.

Hunter Education Class



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Mike Teece reported on the Hunter Education Class given in conjunction with the 9/18 Youth Shoot and stated 11 kids attended the training. Scores were high and the event was a resounding success. Mike said combining the Hunter Education with the Youth Shoot worked very well and was a great idea.

Bill Oliver thanked Kim and Mike for their work on each event.

2021 Friends of NRA Banquet

The date has been changed to Saturday 10/23/2021 due to availability of Cloverleaf Hall in Enterprise. Ken Hauxwell said this year's event will have better guns and gun packages. The Wall of Guns prize will be a voucher this year so the winner can pick the gun of their choice.

Upcoming ECSA Events

- Sat 9/25 – Range Safety Orientation, John Amond-Instructor
- Sat 9/25 – NRL22 Match
- Sun 9/26 – Hunter Sight-in Day/Public Open Range Day
- Sat 10/2 – Rimfire Fun Shoot
- Sat 10/9 – NRL22 Match
- Sun 10/16 – Old Soldiers Military Rifle Shoot

Bill Oliver reviewed the upcoming ECSA events and stressed the importance of not cancelling any more events after they have been scheduled. It doesn't look good for the ECSA to be frequently cancelling events. Bill proposed having fewer events next year and to insure there is a backup host for every event in case the primary host is unable to run the event. Gary Bethscheider remarked all Directors should know how to run each event.

In addition, Bill underscored the need for a better process of registering participants, collecting entry fees, and more accountability of revenues and expenses. The suggestion was made to return to the old method of registration table with paper sign-in sheet and cash box at every event.

Good of the Order

Steve Wolfe said the deadline for applying for Friends of NRA grant funds is December 7, 2021, and the ECSEA plans to apply.

This Old Gun

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm

Next Meeting: October 19, 2021, at 6:30 pm at the VFW Hall Enterprise, OR