

MINUTES  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MICHIGAN SPORTING CLAYS ASSOCIATION

APRIL 3, 2011

LANSING, MI

1. The meeting was called to order by Vice President Matt Murer at 2:30 P.M. Members present: Jovan Blackwell, Ray Cato, Mike Dykstra, Bob Gerhardt, Matt Murer, Kirk Todd, Rich Shinew. Absent with notice: Nate Bosworth, Tonda Waterstredt.
2. Agenda for the meeting was approved unanimously.
3. A motion by Mike Dykstra and seconded by Kirk Todd was made to approve the minutes of the previous meeting which had been distributed to all board members for review via e-mail prior to the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.
4. Treasurers Report. Kirk reported four checks written for a total of \$165.00 and projected YTD income of \$1359 in the first qtr. Current Balance \$13,385.40. Kirk reports that shooter numbers appear to be up from this time last year. But he also cautioned that the recent jump in gas prices may impact attendance at shoots as the summer wears on. He also reports that we are in compliance with all IRS and State of MI documentation. This was done in response to the concern Kevin Sheren voiced at the last meeting regarding Oakhill and their dealings with the IRS and State of MI. A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Mike Dykstra and seconded by Bob Gerhardt. Motion passed unanimously.
5. Election of a President. As written, our By Laws don't specifically provide for an election of a new President if the office should fall vacant. Mike Dykstra pointed out that there is an expectation by the general membership that this organization should have a president. Although there is no specific mechanism outlined, there is no need to modify the By Laws in order to fill this vacant post. Kirk Todd then nominated Matt Murer for the office of President which was seconded by Bob Gerhardt. Matt expressed a willingness to fill the position and a vote was held. Matt Murer was elected President unanimously.

6. Election of Vice President. Rich then pointed out we now needed to elect a Vice President to fill that now vacant post. Mike Dykstra nominated Jovan Blackwell and was seconded by Ray Cato. Jovan stated he would accept the position if elected. A vote was held and Jovan Blackwell was elected in a unanimous vote of the Board.
7. Web Site update. Bob Gerhardt had contacted all four of our advertisers about renewing their ads for the coming year. Only Jim Siudara had responded affirmatively as of this date. Ray Cato made a motion that we lower the rate from \$125 to \$99 to attract more advertisers. That motion was seconded by Jovan Blackwell and passed unanimously. All Board members were encouraged to solicit possible advertisers that they were aware of. Ray also suggested that we contact small non MSCA clubs as advertisers as many of these clubs hosted non NSCA sanctioned shoots on a regular basis.

Use of our Forum section of the web site by non MSCA clubs was also discussed. It was felt we could or should encourage those same small clubs that Ray mentioned when we discussed advertising to utilize a special section on our Forum to promote their shoots and events, thus promoting the growth of shooting sports and possibly MSCA membership.

8. Bid Proposal packets for the State and Great Lakes Shoots were mailed and are due May 1.
9. Discussion of the rule requiring clubs to have representation other than a Board member present at the annual shoot selection meeting. A motion drafted by Kirk and Tonda which would allow a MSCA board member to participate on behalf of their club was put forward by Kirk. Discussion ensued. Mike Dykstra pointed out the need for “transparency” in all Board matters. The process was becoming bogged down at prior shoot selection meetings and was no longer a structured and orderly meeting. The last thing we want to do is give the appearance of favoring Board members clubs. Jovan pointed out that we can’t make rules for the exception. The Board considered tabling the motion till the next meeting when Tonda and Nate might be in attendance. Ray pointed out that we had a quorum and we should vote on the matter. At that point Nate and Tonda were attempted to be contacted by phone. Tonda could not be reached and Nate was reached and seconded Kirks motion. A vote was taken and the motion was voted down. Nate and Kirk for. All other Board members in attendance opposed. Ray Cato then made a motion to incorporate the language in the attachment

to these minutes regarding the Shoot Selection meeting. The motion was voted upon and passed with only Kirk Todd opposed.

10. Discussion was held regarding encouraging all clubs to post their scores on the MSCA web site. Ray volunteered to talk to the Detroit Gun Club and Matt Murer volunteered to talk to Island Lake and Bald Mtn.
11. The next meeting will be held at Island Lake on May 14 following the morning shoot. The June meeting will be held at the Detroit Gun Club on the Saturday of the Motorstate shoot at a time to be determined.
12. Mike Dykstra moved that we adjourn and was seconded by Kirk Todd. The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bob Gerhardt, Secretary