



MEETING MINUTES - Michigan Sporting Clays Association

Meeting

Date	Monday, December 12, 2022
Started	6:00 PM
Ended	8:30 PM
Location	Zoom
Purpose	Regular scheduled meeting
Chaired by	Matt Little
Recorder	Mary Jo Birka

Attendance

Present:	Mary Jo Birka, Neal Fusner, Matt Hayes, Jim Kralik, Matt Little, Charles Schneider, Troy Spicer, Dan Williams
Absent:	Steve Trudeau, Adam Wise

Minutes

1. Committee business

1.1. President's Report, Review/Approve Meeting Minutes

Like Agenda, assumed approval unless edits noted by Directors prior to the scheduled meeting. This is to allow more time each meeting for open items and discussion.

Motion to accept last month's meeting minutes as printed: Charlie

Second: Mary Jo

Motion: Carried

*Matt Little and Matt Hayes will be visiting the North Ottawa Rod and Gun Club and Blendon Pines Gun Club soon to deliver Shoot cards and posters and tour the clubs.

*Matt Little, Jim and Charlie will be meeting soon to review and update our by-laws. All Board members need to read and make recommendations for changes ASAP. The committee hopes to have the by-laws ready for Board approval by the February 2023 meeting.

*The MSCA will be sponsoring 3 target setting clinics in 2023. Three of our best Michigan target setters have agreed to share their "tricks" with our less experienced target setters. Persons attending the clinic can expect a half day outdoors where they will be setting tournament targets. At the end of the day, they will be able to go back to their home club and set targets using the new skills they have acquired. Each person will also be taught the difference in tournament targets and corporate or "fun" shoot targets. These clinics will allow the target setter to set appropriate targets for any event their club may be hosting. The host clubs will be: Detroit Gun Club (Scott Behnke), Grand Blanc Huntsman's Club (Vince Lori), and Michigan Shooting Centers (Pat Lieske). The MSCA will consider sponsoring Member Club employees. Decision will be made at our January 9th meeting.

Status: Completed

1.1.1. Subcommittee Report

*Liaison to Member Club's: Matt, Matt, Troy and Dan

*Fundraising: All Board Members



*By-Laws Review: Matt L, Jim and Charlie

*Shoot Cards: Advertisements, Printing: Matt L and Mary Jo

*Shoot Card Distribution: Neal

*Liaison to SCTP: Mary Jo and Neal

Status: Completed

1.1.1.1. Liaison to Member Clubs

Matt L, Matt H, Troy and Dan

Has anyone been to any member clubs since our last meeting? Any comments?

*Troy and Mary Jo were at Capital Area for practice. They have a new clubhouse that is nearly completed. After they remove a few trees for safety, the course will be good. They have nice wood shooting stands with 3-4 traps at each of the 16 stations. Capital would be a great candidate for our target setting clinics in 2023.

*On the same day, we shot practice at Kent County Conservation. The targets were fantastic. Kent has hired 3 new managers to run the club. Troy is the currently the target setter.

*Matt L. reported that Hillsdale College has taken down approximately 200 trees to create shooting lanes. Jordan Hintz sent Matt L pictures of the property after the trees were removed. Matt L. will be visiting Hillsdale soon to deliver shoot cards and look around at their new terrain.

*Seaway had a shoot 2 weeks ago. Paul Prucka told Mary Jo that at Seaway they have shot fall issues. They also had a station that was not functioning. They were told that particular station has not been working for a year. Les Housler reported that his score was sent to NSCA as a 64 instead of an 87. Lori Bachman at NSCA made the correction. Lori told Mary Jo that this was the third correction for that Club in a week. We need to try to get Seaway on some type of shooting software for the future.

Status: Completed

1.1.1.2. Fundraising

Cool Wick Sponsorship Report

*Matt H is reporting \$5599 in sponsors. About half of the money has been received by Neal our Treasurer. We have 3 Platinum sponsors (\$1000) Pacific Sporting Arms, Promatic Traps, and Clay Target Vision. We have 1 Gold Sponsor (\$750) Michigan Shooting Centers. We have 4 Bronze Sponsors (\$250): Carleton Sportsman Club, Kent County Conservation, Capital Area Sportsmen's League and Blendon Pines Gun Club. We also have 4 Standard sponsors (\$100): Hillsdale College Halter Shooting Center, Multi Lakes Conservation, Huron Pointe Sportsmen's Association and Matt Hayes. Neal will be sending out invoices soon to the most recently acquired Sponsors.

*Matt will be ordering our Board member Jerseys soon. He will email the Board members 5 design options for us to choose from.

Status: Completed

1.1.1.3. By-Law Review

*Matt Little, Jim and Charlie will be meeting soon to review and update our by-laws. All Board members need to read and make recommendations for changes ASAP. The committee hopes to have the by-laws ready for Board approval by the February 2023 meeting.

*Charlie is suggesting a by-laws change that will allow the Board to endorse a particular candidate that is running for a position on the Board.



Status: Completed

1.1.1.4. Shoot Dates

*All shoot dates for 2023 that were requested by our member clubs have been scheduled and approved by the NSCA.

Status: Completed

1.1.1.5. Shoot Cards, Advertising and Printing

Matt L and Mary Jo

*The shoot cards and posters were printed by ValueCopy in Ann Arbor. The cost for 1400 shoot cards was \$393.50. The cost for 25 13X19 posters was \$100. They were nicely done.

Status: Completed

1.1.1.6. Shoot card Distribution

**Mary Jo picked up the printing and sorted them for Neal. 12 clubs were hand delivered by Board members. 8 Clubs were packed and shipped USPS by Neal.

Status: Completed

1.1.1.7. Liaison to SCTP

Matt L., and Neal

*Discuss lunch meeting with SCTP reps Loraine Malloy and Bill Saylor on 12-18 at DGC shoot

Matt Little, Neal and Mary Jo

*Further discussion about Neal's financial analysis of the MISCTP from last month's meeting. How much support do we think we can give to the MISCTP for 2023? This is Neal's recommendation:

* My proposal going forward is that we draft and enter into a non-binding contract between the MSCA, Inc. and the MISCTP. We will be providing the MISCTP an opportunity to keep all of their State shooting fees to be used as scholarships for deserving shooters. Before the MSCA can waive the MISCTP shoot fees, there are two contingencies that must be met:

Ø MSCA, Inc. must turn a profit in the year being considered for any refund.

Ø Breaking even must also be by an amount sufficient to protect the MSCA's annual year end working capital requirement.

*My recommendation is that the agreement be drafted by Charlie Schneider and entered into by Matthew Little and the MISCTP President.

*LEGAL OPINION FROM CHARLES SCHNEIDER

It is not necessary to draw up a legal document with the MISCTP at this time. The MSCA will support the MISCTP on a yearly basis, using the above contingencies as a guide. For 2023, it appears that we will be able to waive the MISCTP State shoot fees (approximately \$700), to be placed in their Scholarship fund. In addition, it appears that we may also have additional money to provide 2 or more \$1000 scholarships depending on how much additional money is donated.



Motion to Accept Neal's Report as Written: Matt Little

Second: Matt Hayes

Voting as Follows: Mary Jo Birka: Aye, Neal Fusner: Aye, Matt Hayes: Aye, Jim Kralik: Aye, Matt Little: Aye, Charles Schneider: Aye, Troy Spicer: Aye, and Dan Williams: Aye Voting Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Status: Completed

1.1.2. Treasurer's Report

*No quarterly report due until next month.

*Checking account balance is over \$32,000 with some of the Sponsor invoices yet to go out.

Status: Completed

1.2. Secretary's Report/NSCA News

*Two of our Directors are at the end of their term. We will be holding an election to fill those 2 spots and one additional vacancy. Matt L has written an invitation to join the MSCA Board. He will revise it and then send it to Dan to e-blast to the shooters. Jim Kralik will also put a copy on FACEBOOK. On Dec 26th the ballot will go out to the membership to be completed by 12-31.

*Still waiting for Bob Ahrens resume to send out ballot. We have 3 Director positions open and 3 candidates (Bob Ahrens, Matt Hayes, and Troy Spicer). I will add on additional candidates if needed.

*I Put together the flyer for our Target Setting Clinic. I emailed it to the 3 clubs and Board members for approval. DGC date is 3-25, GBHC date is 4-16, and MSC date is TBD in fall of 2023. Flyers will go out to Member clubs first to allow their employees to get signed up first. On March 1st, if vacancies exist, Dan will send the flyer out to our membership to fill up the vacancies. See President's notes above for possible target setting sponsorship opportunities.

*Since this is a MSCA sponsored event, we should have at least one Board member in attendance at each clinic. I will be in Michigan for sure in the fall, so I will volunteer to be at MSC for the fall clinic.

*During conversations, Neal suggested that we give each club \$200 to cover the lunches for those in attendance. Final decisions will be made at the January 9th meeting.

Status: Deferred until 1/9/2023

1.2.1. Member Outreach - Facebook

Quarterly report due at the January 9th meeting.

Status: Completed

1.2.2. Member Outreach - Miclays.com

*Completed end of year advertising. Dan is working on the website

*Dan will eliminate the FORUM effective immediately.

Status: Completed

2. OLD BUSINESS

2.1. Spartan Series Update



Matt L, Matt H, Troy or Dan

*The Spartan Trophy is being designed as a metal helmet on a walnut base, with additional levels that can be added on as needed.

*The logo is a work in progress.

Status: Deferred until 1/9/2023

2.1.1. Website Takeover and Transition

Progress on the Website Takeover.

*Matt Hayes is asking that each Board member send a picture of themselves to Dan to be put on our new website under the About Us tab. No cell phone number or emails will be listed. Dan will post the pictures as he updates the website.

Motion to Approve: Matt L.

Second: Dan

Motion is carried.

*Dan would like permission to remove the Forum Tab from the MICLAYS website effective immediately.

Motion to Approve: Mary Jo

Second: Neal

Motion is Carried

*Dan would like permission to add 2 new tabs to our website. A Sponsor tab would be linked directly to the sponsor website. A Results tab would be linked directly to the scoring software where the result is posted.

Motion to Approve: Matt L

Second: Matt Hayes

Motion is carried.

Status: Deferred until 1/9/2023

2.1.1.1. Shooter Survey

Progress or results.

Status: Deferred until 1/9/2023

2.1.2. 2023 State Shoot Format

*Changes to the format for Michigan State Championship announced by MSC. New flyer produced, but not yet distributed.

Status: Deferred until 1/9/2023

3. NEW BUSINESS

3.1. Shoot Schedule Posters for Member Clubs

*25 posters printed by ValueCopy. Have been distributed with shoot cards to all member clubs. \$3 each plus a \$10 set up fee. Jenny used my calendar and added sponsors and Club phone numbers in an additional column.



Status: Completed

3.2. MSCA Banners for Largest Member Clubs (4)

*The Pacific banner we purchased last fall was 3X6 vinyl mesh. The cost was \$115 after a \$10 coupon.

*The new banners we will purchase will be 3X5 vinyl mesh.

Status: Parked

4. Next Meeting Date

4.1. Date Next Meeting

Next meeting will be January 9, 2023

Status: Completed

4.2. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn: Mary Jo

Second: Neal

Motion Carried

Resolution #: Motion to Adjourn

Moved:

seconded:

Status: Carried

Vote:
