

2013 3rd Quarter NSCA Executive Council Meeting Minutes

September 7, 2013

Location – 2013 Northeast Regional Championship – Hopkins Game Farm – Kennedyville, MD

Present – Phil Murray, Tim Miles, Todd Kemmerer, Bob Lepor, Robert Crow

Absent – Steve Schultz, Dave Fiedler, Joe Kennedy

Phil Murray called the meeting to order at 6:39pm.

- I. Review and approve 2013 2nd quarter Executive Council Meeting Minutes. Bob Lepor made a motion to approve the 2nd quarter minutes. Phil Murray seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.
- II. NSCA Update – 8-31-13 compared to 8-31-12 – Robert Crow reported
 - A. 25,854 total members (+10%)
 - B. 22,772 paid members (+5%) – excludes CLM's
 - C. 16,603,268 targets (+5%)
 - D. 6,373 Life Members (+472)
 - E. 606 Clubs (+2) / 362 Clubs throwing Registered Targets (-1)
 - F. 1613 Shoots (-9)
- III. AC Nominations – Robert reviewed the HQ SOP for verifying employment/ownership for Range Owner/Manager and Industry nominations. Nominations are due September 21st. Election will be held in October.
- IV. US Open ballot rules change sent to National Delegates – A ballot was sent to the National Delegates regarding the US Open ballot process held annually at the National Championship AC/Delegate Meeting. This ballot is a follow up from the US Open AC Meeting at Backwoods. Ballots are due back September 29. If approved the rule changes will go into effect October 1, 2013.

The EC discussed that they would like the G&R Committee to look into electronic balloting for all ballots in the future. This will need to be voted on by the AC and National Delegates. Electronic balloting would stream line the voting process, should increase the voting participation and save the association money.
- V. NSCA Director Search update – Bob reported that the application deadline was August 30. The search committee is currently reviewing all applications. Phone interviews will be conducted in 10-14 days.
- VI. 2014 Nationals format update – The vote sent to the AC to change from (4) two day rotations to keeping the traditional four day rotation and offering two day rotations on the front end resulted in a 30-4 vote in favor. Robert Crow and Steve Schultz will be working on the eligibility details with the Competition Committee.
- VII. 2014-15 National Delegate Election Results – Election results were reviewed. Todd Kemmerer asked the question if a state had four electable positions but only three ran would we hold another

election to fill the fourth position. Robert stated that we have not done that in the past. Essentially we close that position until the next election.

- VIII. Disciplinary updates - The EC reviewed Brandon Powell's community service efforts. Brandon completed 16 hours on May 9th and 10th at a Shoot For A Cure event. Brandon has 34 hours remaining and still needs to complete his Anger Management Course. Brandon has completed his Good Sportsmanship Counseling. Brandon has enrolled in an Anger Management Course.
- IX. New Business
- A. Todd Kemmerer asked for an update on Cox Smith reviewing the NSCA Rule Book. Robert reported that Cox Smith provided verbiage for the right to deny membership to NSSA or NSCA Annual or Life Members. Robert reported that all other Rule Book review has been put on hold due to the financial commitment. Todd Kemmerer made a motion to reiterate to Michael Hampton Jr. that the NSCA would like Cox/Smith to review and suggest Rule Book changes to the G&R Committee. Bob Lepor seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- B. Todd Kemmerer asked if we had heard back from the NSSA Officers regarding the NSCA EC response letter regarding merging the two associations together even closer with NSCA officers on the NSSA Board. Robert reported that he had not yet received a response.
- C. Todd Kemmerer asked for a report back to the EC on Marketing Fund programs in a week.
- D. Todd Kemmerer asked for a clarification on EC eligibility for the upcoming election. Robert Crow gave his interpretation/intent of the rule; anyone that has served two years on the AC beginning Jan. 1 of the new term is eligible. This includes people from past AC terms that served two full years. Robert stated that he would look back at the rule change ballot and meeting minutes to insure this is an accurate interpretation and intent of the rule.
- E. Todd Kemmerer reviewed how well the Team USA Program was going under the management of Judy Morris. Team USA raised \$26,220 over the past two days. Todd handed out a proposal that included all of her duties, approximate hours spent on the program and a compensation package. Todd made a motion to pay the Team USA Manager \$2,000 per month plus a 10% bonus for all funds raised over \$240,000. Tim Miles seconded the motion. Robert commented that he would need to review with Steve Scales to insure we can make everything happen under our 501C(3). Robert proposed that we strive for a November 1 start date. Motion carried unanimously.
- F. Todd Kemmerer discussed the future of the Championship Tour. Todd would like to see the Regionals have more continuity from one to another. Sample trophies and medals were presented as examples from an awards stand point. Todd charged Tim Miles with getting more info put together from a payout standpoint. Bob Lepor charged Robert Crow with getting the 2013 Regional Championship participation breakdown by the next EC meeting.
- G. Robert Crow explained to the EC that Dave Fiedler had missed two meetings and the rule book states that you can only miss one quarterly meeting per year. The rule book gives the Chairman of the EC the rights to excuse an absence from the mandatory annual meeting for illness or for good cause. Robert explained that on July 1st when he initially proposed the date of this meeting that Dave was the first to respond that he would not be able to make it due to him hosting a NSCA Level 1 Instructor School in Wisconsin that weekend. Tim Miles commented that he didn't think we had much choice to excuse him by which the rule book reads. There was continued discussion amongst the group. Todd Kemmerer made a motion to excuse Dave Fiedler from the Hopkins meeting and Bob Lepor seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- H. Robert Crow reported that Backwoods Quail Club, M&M Hunting Preserve, Northbrook Sports Club and South Florida Shooting Club had bid on the 2015 World English. Bids would be distributed at the Nationals, presentations made in January at the Annual Meeting and then voted on by the AC after presentation.
- X. Adjournment – Bob Lepor made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Todd Kemmerer seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. 9:15pm