



Minutes for mid-year 2013 USPSA Michigan Sectional

Mike Barrera – MI Section Coordinator

Date: *September 5, 2013 – 8pm.*

Call in audio conference via WEBEX.

Roll Call

Mike Barrera	Michigan Section Coordinator
Carl Provan	Michigan Section Deputy Coordinator
Brian Killam	Raccoon Hunters
Chris Vasilion	Oak Hill
Dave Ray	Detroit Sportsmen's Congress
Dale Vanderzee	South Kent
Jeff Gerak	Livingston Gun Club

NOT PRESENT Eldon McPherson (Antrim),
Walt Paegel (Brooklyn Sportsman's Club),
Larry Hupp (Bend of the River)
Tony Simaz (Coloma Rod and Gun Club)
Wah Wong (Firearm Exchange)

Reading of Michigan Section Meeting Minutes from January 2013 (Barrera)

- Minutes were sent out to all members and are posted on Michigan Section Website
- Mike Barrera noted two errors in minutes
 1. Date in Minutes was "January 2012"
 2. The election results need to be added to minutes.

Carl Provan will make corrections to minutes.

Jeff Gerak made motion to accept minutes as corrected.

Financial report (Provan)

- As of the Aug 7th, 2013 bank statement (to date from January 2013):
 - Deposits of \$831 from MI Section clubs
 - Expenses of \$1230 (\$1100 was for the MI Section Match, and \$130 for MI Section Meeting)
 - Ending balance \$938
 - Web site expenses are not included in these numbers.

- It is acceptable to pre-pay for the Go Daddy 2 years, since we get a better annual rate.
- Most clubs have paid their sectional dues and are up to date. Carl is following up with Antrim.
- Motion to accept the financial report by Dave Ray.

Old Business

- Feedback from 2013 MI Sectional (Dave Ray)
 - General consensus is that it went very well.
 - The shooters did not have to wait – stages ran very smoothly. Gaps between stages worked very well to remove any pileups of shooters on a bay.
 - Needed to start earlier on sponsorship.
 - They were a little “light” on staff.
 - Lessons learned – make sure lunch is provided free of charge to workers. This issue was straightened out after the first day.
 - Banquet was appreciated – but not many shooters took advantage it.
 - Ken Skeeter did a good job running the chronograph stage.
 - Bill Chunn arranged to have him there at this match.
 - Club rules wouldn’t allow the workers to have beer and alcohol on the premises (except the bar).
 - Board of Directors had favorable response to the match.
 - Overall, the match was a success – 144 shooters.
 - No walk-ons were allowed – since computers were locked down before the match.
- Feedback from 2013 Ryan Rocks Charity Blast (Jeff Gerak)
 - The founders of the charity were very please with turnout (more than they had anticipated).
 - We raised \$4000 towards the charity.
 - There were 93 competitors.
 - There were very few people signed up at first (only 50 people a week from match). In the last week, 40 shooters registered.
 - There will be a Ryan Rocks Charity Blast next year (2014).
 - There was a lack of RO help – Jeff thought he had enough staff, but he had several people fall through, but other people stepped in to help.
- “Intro to USPSA” advertisement material from USPSA (Mike Barrera)
 - Mike Barrera has received promotional “Front Sight 2013 Annual Issue”, 4 page brochures, and business cards that can be used by the clubs to promote USPSA.
 - MD’s just need to send Mike Barrera a note and he will send a batch of these materials to them.
 - Dave Ray, Chris Valision and Carl Provan expressed interest in getting some of these materials.

New Business

- New Web Site, Facebook – Look, Feel, Info, etc. (Mike Barrera)
 - Web site has new look and feel.

- All matches (USPSA and IDPA) are listed.
- Brooklyn (BSC) is listed, but has stopped running matches for 2013.
- All MD's need to look at the club information and make sure that it is accurate.
- MD's are asked to send any news, announcements, etc. and it will be broadcast on (1) website, (2) Facebook, (3) Google Group.
- It was also suggested to put announcements on Enos Forum.
- We need make sure we keep new information on the site, and remove old material.
- 2014 Classifiers – submission / coordination / publication (Mike Barrera)
 - As clubs prepare to run classifiers – Mike Barrera will publish all classifiers used by MI Section clubs on the MI Section website – and keep the list up to date. This will help MDs decide what classifiers they want to run.
- 2014 MI Sectional – propose club, location, dates, etc. (Mike Barrera)
 - Chris Vasilion in Oak Hill has expressed interested in taking the MI Sectional in 2014.
 - Oak Hill has 9 bays.
 - The commitment is for 1 year.
 - The date of the MI Sectional will need to be coordinated with the Ryan Rocks match. They will be in back-to-back months. There should be a small gap between the two matches, so that they do not impeded. Oak Hill and LGC have their regular matches on the same weekend. For now, we are planning to have Ryan Rocks in July, and the MI Sectional in August.
 - LGC and Oak Hill were recommended to suspend their monthly matches on these major match days (Ryan Rocks and MI Sectional). This will be discussed further off line.
- 2014 RO/CRO class? – club, location, etc.? (Mike Barrera)
 - Roy Neal arranged an RO / CRO class earlier in the year.
 - Dave Ray strongly desires to see more RO training. Several people could not attend the last class, since it was Easter Weekend.
 - Last year
 - DSC (Dave Ray) offered his club to host the class. Chris Vasilion also offered his club as a host.
 - ACTION ITEM – Mike Barrera to put the word out to the members to see how much interest there is from shooters (for Level 1 or 2). Plan the class for February or March. The call out should also to the Enos forums.
 - There is a discount if it is connected with a level 2 or level 3 match. Carl will investigate if we can / should do this. (e.g. If connected with a match, we receive a 50% discount). The class must be done at least 1 classifier cycle before the match. The class does not happen just a few days before the match.
- Club Re-affiliations

- BSC may run one more classifier match, and has stopped running matches.
- Carl Provan will call Wah Wong to confirm if Firearm Exchange is going to run a winter match season.
- Other roundtable topics (All)
 - Dale Vanderzee
 - Susan Coleman steel challenge brought in \$5400.
 - He plans to run match last weekend in June 2014 (Friday, Saturday, Sunday)
 - 4th weekend of the month will be 3-Gun Nation matchers.
 - Another “Babes with Bullets” is also being arranged.
 - Nationals is using Practiscore scoring and on-line squadding.
 - DSC has been using Practiscore for over a year. The big learning with Practiscore is the initial learning of rooting all the nooks.
 - Oak Hill is going to Practiscore on Nooks next year. Dave Ray offered to help Chris Vasilion root their Nooks.
 - Our WEBEX can also be used for smaller groups and meetings throughout the year.
 - The end-of year meeting was held at the “Artesian Well”, and will probably held there again.