WSMLA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING CASPER WYOMING January 11, 2008

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order by Ned Dunn. Members in attendance: Carrie Gavin, Bill Morrison, Dave Lehto, Phil Nissan, Charlie Romaine, Trish Miller, Bryon Wilczewski, Paula Sorter, Ed Kern, Mike Corrigan, and Ginger Baumann.

Minutes: Ginger read the minutes from June's State Board Meeting and they were accepted by the board.

Treasurers Report: Carrie reported the following club assets.

Editor note: WSMLA board has copies of the Treasurer reports. The treasure report was posted at the general meeting for all members to view.

We received a \$100.00 donation from the Laramie Black Powder Brigade club and a thank you card from the 4.H Club. Prickly Pear added \$294.00 traveling expense to their contract. Mike made a motion to pay the increase, seconded by Dave and carried. Mike made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Phil and carried.

Committee Reports:

Convention: Trish reported we have 23 Traders an increase from last year's 18. Mike managed to get KTWO television and Radio coverage of this year's convention. THANK YOU MIKE! Steve Zihn called and canceled the gun smithing class due to illness. Things otherwise seem to be going well.

Auction: Ed is doing well thanks to Alan's help. He is making a list of the auction items as they come in, then Charlie Morrison will be completing a printed auction listing to pass out to the members.

Photo Contest: Phil has made a new display for the Photo Contest. The Artisan's Fair is going well; Phil is setting up cases and stands for items, and would appreciate board member help in manning the fair for breaks during the day.

Traveling Trophy: Dave reported we have 20 qualifiers and that Angie is engraving all the metals. THANK YOU ANGIE! The trophy plaques came in with a total cost of \$247.00. Sagebrush did a fine job with the plaques.

Video Library: Charlie has been sending Tail gunner items via mail. Then Tail gunner returns the item along with postage reimbursement. There is a lot of old safety information out dated, so the board gave permission to dispose of all but one copy for Historian.

Newsletter: Bill reports that the printing company is very slow(3 week to mail). This year the expenses amounted to \$2,400.00. Need to update the news letter mailing list, and e-mail list. We need help from our state members by submitting articles.****GREAT JOB WITH THE NEWSLETTER BILL!** **

Historian: Dave requested a hard copy of the news letter sent to him for the files.

Old Business: Membership dues are important to help fund printing and postage expense, and we need to set deadline for dues. Those not paying for membership by March will stop getting the printed and mailed news letter. We need to remind shooter's that one must be a state member to shoot at State Sponsored Matches or State Targets at any match; i.e. Traveling Trophy.

New Business: We need to encourage handicapped shooters to come out. The local club shall make decisions concerning safety and aids for handicapped shooters. Handicapped shooter may apply to the NMLRA for cards stating approval for state and national shoots.

Ned suggested we rename the state cross stick match in remembrance of Ed Green. Charlie made a motion to make the Ed Green Cross Stick Match Paula seconded and carried. Trish suggested that we consider adding an advertising budget. After much discussion Bryon made a motion for time to think and table this subject until the Sunday meeting, Paula seconded and carried.

Carrie wishes to purchase a fire proof lock box to store the bank CD.s for security. Bryon made a motion to allow the purchase, Trish seconded and carried.

The Prickly Pear band is becoming expensive.

2006 .. \$800.00 + 2 rooms + 3 meals 2007 .. \$1000.00 + 2 rooms + 3 meals 2008 .. \$1294.00 + 2 rooms + 3 meals

After several discussions, Dave made a motion to create an Entertainment Committee of three board members to research other bands, other options, and talk to Prickly Pear. Bill seconded motion, motions carried. Phil also made a motion to have a limit on the band of \$600.00. Charlie seconded the motion, motion carried. The committee will be: Phil, Mike, and Paula. Bryon made a motion to table any convention pricing until Sunday, Carrie seconded motion and motion carried.

By laws state that the President's terms is two years.

Bill suggested that we create a Sponsor category on our web page to help generate revenue to help with expenses. The category would have web links to traders, vendors, and sponsors for advertising a year for a fee of \$100.00.

Bill would be willing to set up web pages for those in need. Bryon made a motion to have Bill create the Sponsor Category on our web site; Carrie seconded motion and motion carried.

Adjourned: Mike moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Bill. Respectfully submitted, Ginger Baumann Secretary

WSMLA CONVENTION GENERAL MEETING CASPER WYOMING January 12, 2008

The meeting was called to order by president, Ned Dunn. Ned Dunn welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Ned asked for 2 minutes of silence in remembrance of the members who leftus in 2007, but will always be with us in sprit. **Big Dan,Travis Bennett, Buster Harlow, Ed Green, Jack Riddell, John Brahaney, Mike Underwood**

Minutes: A motion was made to approve the 2007 General Meeting minutes unread and proceed right into the meeting. Motion seconded and carried.

Treasurers Report: Carrie reported the following club assets:

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Committee Reports:

Convention: Trish reported we have 23 Traders an increase from last year's 18. We had 56 rooms taken on Friday night and 54 on Saturday night. Mike managed to get KTWO television and Radio and Newspaper coverage for this year's Convention. We have had many walk in's showing interest due to news coverage. Things otherwise seem to be going well.

Auction: Ed reported we have many auction items this year thanks to the generosity of the members.

Photo Contest: Phil reported numerous Photos entered into the contest and that the new display method is working well.

The Artisan's Fair is doing well thanks to our many talented members from around the state. We have received many good comments in praise of the fair.

Video Library: Charlie has been sending Tail gunner items via mail. Then Tail gunner returns the items along with postage reimbursement.

Newsletter: Bill reported this year's newsletter expenses amounted to \$2,400.00. He also reminded us the newsletter is for the members and help with article and ideas are always welcomed and needed.***GREAT JOB WITH THE NEWSLETTER BILL!** *

Historian: Dave could use a hard copy of the first news letter containing State Shoot information.

Elections: We have four 3 year terms and one 2 year term to fill. Boards of Director Terms ending are: Dave Lehto, Trish Miller, Bryon Wilczewski, Carrie Gavin, and Mike Dunn.

Nominations for the Board of Directors: Carrie Gavin, Trish Miller, Jeff Williamson, Ned Dunn, Bryon Wilczewski, Jeff McManus, Ron Abbott, Bryan Youngberg, and Dave Tyrrell. Each nominee gave a short speech to the association.

After the vote count our new Board of Director members are: Carrie Gavin, Trish Miller, Ned Dunn, and Bryan Youngberg with 3 year terms and Bryon Wilczewski with a 2 year term.

State Awards Ceremony and Traveling Trophy: Winter Challenge Match:

High Woman Shooter, Ginger Baumann, score 280x High Senior Shooter, Ned Dunn, score 306xxx High Man Shooter, Bryan Youngberg.353xxx

Traveling Trophy Medallions:

Mike Dunn 49xx, Ginger Baumann 48x, Brooke Mason 46, Ed Green, Judy Lawrence, Caleb Salzman, Ned Dunn, Tawnya Millhouse, Charlie Morrison 47xx, Matthew Jarrett, Roger Roebling 49xxx, Carrie Gavin 47xx, Sean Dunn 50, Bruce Schwindt 50xxx, Jake Jacobson 50xxx, Ron Abbott 50x, and Angie Dunn 47.

Traveling Trophy Winners:

Bruce Schwindt.52 Angie Dunn.47 Brooke Mason.43

2007 State Shoot Winners:

Please see attached sheet.

2008 Calendar Shoot Dates:

Jan. 18th to 20th Riverton Pig Shoot

Feb. 9th . Meeteetse John Colter Shoot

Feb. 15th to 17th .Glenrock DCMLA Winter Challenge

April 12th & 13th .Big Horn Basin Cartridge Shoot

May 3rd & 4th .Sheridan Ed Green Memorial Shoot

May 23rd to 26th .WSMLA State Shoot in Riverton

June 7th & 8th .Casper WSMLA Bench Shoot

June 21st & 22nd . Glenrock DCMLA Shoot

July 2nd to 6th .1838 Rendezvous in Riverton

July 25th to 27th . Encampment Sierra Madre Shoot

Aug. 16th .Ft. Fetterman Shoot

Aug. 23rd .Sheridan Pie Shoot

Aug. 30th to Sept. 1st. Ft Bridger Rendezvous

Sept. 6th & 7th .BHB Primitive Shoot

Jan. 9th to 11th 2009 .WSMLA State Convention

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Ginger Baumann

WSMLA BOARD MEETING CASPER WYOMING January 13, 2008

The meeting was called to order by president, Ned Dunn.

Roll call:

Ned Dunn

Charlie Romaine

Carrie Gavin

Ginger Baumann

Trish Miller

Ed Kern

Phil Nissan

Bryon Wilczewski

Bill Morrison

Bryan Youngberg

Paula Sorter Mike Corrigan

Minutes: Bryon moved to approve the minutes unread and proceed into the meeting, seconded and carried.

Elections: President.Ned Dunn
Vice President.Charlie Romaine
Treasurer.Carrie Gavin
Secretary.Ginger Baumann
Committee:
Convention.Trish Miller
Auction.Ed Kern
Photo Contest.Phil Nissan
Traveling Trophy.Bryon Wilczewski
Video Library.Charlie Romaine
News Letter.Bill Morrison & Bryan Youngberg
Historian.Dave Lehto

Treasurer's Report: Carrie reported the following assets:

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Meal Ticket Sales: 166 adults & 19 children for a total of 185 which is 45 more than last year's sales of 140. Byron made a motion to accept the report, Trish seconded, motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Convention: Trish reported we had arranged to have meals for 140; however we sold 45 more meals than planed totaling to 185. The Holiday was very good with the increase, but said no more than the 185, the food was cooked. The dinner time this year was 6:30, due to the unexpected length of the auction, may be best to back up to 5:30 next year. We may need to plan for overflow next year for the meal. The dinner menu had a nice change and overall was a good meal.

The registration table was by itself this year which turned out to be a good thing. Carrie noted that it was less confusing without any distraction in the room. The number of Traders increased by six, all of the Trader's seemed to be pleased their accommodations and looking forward to returning next year.

Auction: Ed reported we had a good year for auction donations. Alan Hebert and his sons were great help. We may need to consider a silent auction next year if we have a lot of donations again. The unofficial income from the auction came up to \$ 3,150.00. This is an increase of about \$ 1,000.00 over past auctions. Jr Molina did a great job with the auction, and it would be nice to thank him. Bryon made a motion that we give Jr. 5 lbs of black powder as a special thank you, Carrie seconded, motion carried. Bryan will get the powder to him.

Photo Contest: Phil reported we had 41 photo entries. The new display boards worked well and we had good reviews from the members. The Artisan's Fair was a big hit thanks to our many talented members from around the state. We received many good comments in praise of the fair. Many members showed a great deal of interest in having the fair each year. We may want to separate rooms for the Seminars and fair in the future.

Traveling Trophy: Dave Lehto passed the heavy box of trophy medals and information on to Bryon with a smile. Byron was also informed that Angie would engrave the back of the medals when needed.

Video Library: Charlie questions the need of a library. He will put some notices in the new letter and hold off disbanding for another year.

Newsletter: Bill reported that the newsletter is costing the club 3 to 4 dollars per hard copy mailed out. Just a thought, would it be possible to send out the newsletter quarterly (4 times a year) instead of 6 times a year. Bill will be working on sponsor links and updating us as needed. Bryan Youngberg has agreed to help Bill with the Newsletter. Together they will try to fix the trouble with the search engine on the internet. A Seminar for next year's convention could be .Accessing the Newsletter on the Internet. or .Visiting our Muzzleloader Web site.. A power point presentation could be set up to demonstrate finding and explaining links to information on our site.

Historian: Dave Lehto will remain our historian.

Old Business: An advertising committee was created to check into different ways to reach the public with news and information about muzzle loading clubs and events, thus confirming the real need of a budget. The committee members Mike, Bryan, and Paula will report to the board at the next meeting. It was noted that Clubs can apply for extra funding from the board for special advertising events.

New Business: Rabbit approached the board representing the WRML to collect the \$ 500.00 budget allotted for hosting the State Shoot in May. Mike moved to pay seconded by Trish, motion carried.

Mike Dunn sent his thanks to the board members for their support and friendship during his term on the board of directors.

Our next meeting dates:

Sunday May 25th at the State Shoot in Riverton (5:00 pm Bryan.s tent) Saturday Aug. 23rd at the Pie Shoot in Sheridan (after the shoot) Mike moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Trish, motion carried. Respectfully Submitted, Ginger Baumann