

# 2023 ANNUAL IFAA FALL MEETING

August 26, 2023

Meeting called to order at 2:42 by President Kyle Van Meter at Pine Hill Archery Club, Danville, IN

## Officers Present:

**President – Kyle Van Meter**

**Vice President Field –**

**Vice President Hunting – Robert Garfield**

**Secretary – Jessica Shearier**

**Assistant Secretary –**

**Treasurer – Ben Rance**

**NFAA Director – Michael Arison**

**IFAA Pro Rep –**

**District I – Rusty Culp (Senior), Justin Greer (Junior)**

**District II – None**

**District III – Randy Davis (Senior)**

**District IV – Chuck Thorn (Senior), Anna Arison (Junior)**

**District V – Kenny Kays (Senior), Krysten McDaniel (Junior)**

**District VI – Rick Koertge (Junior)**

**District VIII – Justin Waldrip (Senior), Bob Webber (Junior)**

## Officers Absent:

**RIC Officer –**

District I –

District II – None

District III – **Frank Baker (Junior)**

District IV -

District V -

District VI – **Tom Stricker (Senior)**

District VII - **Joe Williams (Senior), Brent Baker (Junior)**

District VIII -

**Vice President Field – Denver Wischmeier**

**Assistant Secretary – Lisa Webber (resigned)**

TOTAL OFFICERS/DIRECTORS: PRESENT: 15, ABSENT: 6, QUARUM: 15 NEEDED

Secretary Report -Minutes of last meeting: Spring 2023 meeting minutes read by Secretary, Jessica Shearier

- Kenny Kays Motion, Justin Waldrip Second, accepted unanimously.

Treasurer Report: Treasurer, Ben Rance went over the balance of accounts.

- Checking balance \$16,301.15, Savings (Target Bale Fund) \$10,811.67
- Stripe Funds account balance is \$798.35 (\$500 is minimum balance kept to cover refunds, etc.)
- Stripe funds hard to keep track of; Current balance includes today's tournament and 3D state entries.
- \$4500 down payment made for 690 facility rental.
- Kyle will reach out to Richmond for contract for Indoor State so the deposit can be paid.
- Gold sponsorship received from Outdoorsman for 690; 2 checks received for bale sponsorships.
  - Where is this money going? Into general fund for now, but Ben is keeping track of what funds have been received and what they are designated for. Might want to consider setting up a separate 690 account. Evaluate after this tournament.
  - Ben's suggestion: due to larger amounts of money involved, we need to have official rules posted for the Hoosier 690 and Team shoot. (rules for tie breaking procedures, shoot-offs, etc.)
  - Motion to approve Treasurer's report made by Rick Koertge; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Justin Waldrip. Accepted unanimously.

NFAA Director: Michael Arison

- National meeting this week. He will not be able to attend in person.
- Another state has also submitted novice bowhunter class that we did. This state will get credit for passing it, not us.
- Michael thinks the exposure we get for Trail Shoot and 690 is not enough.
- Illinois organization...states not happy with how NFAA handled it. Revoked the charter from one organization and gave it to another organization. Stated that they weren't in compliance (not holding proper elections etc.). Lawyers involved. This why we need to make sure our compliance and charters are all up to date and we do things "by the book."

- Note from later in the meeting: The votes that Michael gets at national meeting are based on our membership. He has one vote right now, and we need 1000 members to gain a second vote. We have never gotten to 1000, usually most is around 700.
- Sectionals: Outdoor for 2024 will be at South Bend's Izaak Walton June 8 & 9; Indoor at 3 locations Feb 24 & 25: Outdoorsman Southern region; Iroquois Northern region; Straight Shooter Western region.
  - Rotation on outdoor: should run on a 2-year rotation if a club is getting their range ready (alternating between 2 clubs for 4 years, then rotating counterclockwise to next pair of clubs. Back at Jay County next year, then at Izaak Walton the year after, then rotating to the next set of clubs which would be Iroquois and Pine Hill)
  - Motion to accept report: Rob Garfield; second by Kenny Kays; passed unanimously.

#### Vice President Hunting:

#### President:

#### Committees:

Target Committee: Tom Sticker, Adam Gibson, Denver Wischmeier, Kyle Van Meter, Bob Webber

- Call muffler shop about target stands: Kyle.

3D Indoor Committee: Tom Stricker, Joe Williams, Kyle Van Meter, Bob Webber as the advisor

- Tom is trying to figure out dates on an extended schedule.
- Start earlier (November?), end in February?
- Michael thinks a meeting needs to be scheduled for this committee to plan dates.
- Are the rules final? How many qualifiers can be held?
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#### Unfinished business:

- Nothing

#### 2024 Outdoor Tournament bids:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Outdoor 3D Qualifier – May 11, 2024
  - Oakridge
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Outdoor 3D Qualifier – June 2, 2024
  - Jay County
- Kyle takes the Lord's name in vain.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Outdoor 3D Qualifier – July 14, 2024
  - Oakridge
- 3D Outdoor State – September 10, 2023
  - Iroquois – unanimously approved
- Kyle bangs on table.
- Indiana Classic – June 30, 2024
  - Iroquois hosting for second year.
- American Round – July 21, 2024
  - Koteewi hosting for second year
- 4<sup>th</sup> 3D Qualifier – August 18, 2024
  - Jay County – unanimously approved **\*\* (pending constitution change approval at spring meeting)\*\***
- Outdoor State – August 24 & 25, 2025
  - Jay County – unanimously approved
- 3D State – September 8, 2024
  - Iroquois hosting for second year.
- Motion to accept dates by Michael Arison, second by Kenny Kays; passed unanimously.

## New Business Non-Constitutional or By-Law changes:

- District 1 – Nothing
- District 2 – Nothing – no directors...Greg Schultz is stepping away. What's in this district? Hook & Arrow, Bass & Bucks, Borkholder; Izaak Walton; Michiana.
  - Rusty will cover Borkholder, Izaak, Michiana; D4 (Michael) will cover Bass & Bucks and Ft Wayne.
- District 3 – Nothing
- District 4 – Chuck: will we do anything for the high schoolers for the state shoot? Someone approached them last tournament to say she could have brought 400-500 kids in to shoot (through NASP?). This would fall under the "universal compound class" which Rick has written rules for but that would be a constitution change. Adam suggests setting up on Thursday night and letting them come in and shoot during the day Friday. But if you keep them separate, we aren't really exposing them to our event to grow interest. Justin: does it help us if they come in and shoot their tournament format instead of ours? Rick says his guidelines would have them shooting OUR format. This is a spring meeting discussion.
- District 5 – Nothing
- District 6 – Rick: Tom has been questioned a lot by people about the modern bowhunter class. Justin thinks we can start it for inside this year. Are we officially doing it this year? Did not do it this weekend. Will do it by trial for the indoor season.
  - Make sure this is clarified to be only in Indiana, not recognized at the national level.
  - Achievement pins...Rick brought some stuff to show and constitutional change forms which can't be done today. Color system to work up to bronze, silver, gold, and platinum. Can earn these pins in districts and state and must be earned one pin at a time. Will need to keep a shareable record of who has earned what. Come up with a ribbon lanyard to display them (to sell). Rick will share via email. Can earn one pin each scoring day. Can only win pins in your home district. Trial basis until spring meeting.
  - Should we have a display ready and not award them yet? Not really necessary since they are 0.25 each. Might as well order a lot of them. Is there a minimum order? No. How fast can he make them? 7 minutes
  - Kyle again abuses the Lord's name.
  - Jessica keeps master list of all members, what scores they have achieved, this will be accessible by all the directors, so they are responsible for consulting that before giving out a pin.
  - Could add additional achievement pins that can be awarded at any time, like shooting a 60x.
  - Motion to accept for indoor season 2023/24 trial basis of pin system by Michael Arison; second by Justin Waldrip; passed unanimously.
  - Rick volunteers to help Jessica in any way necessary.
  - Kyle says to buy a lot of the first 6 pins.
- District 7 – Nothing
- District 8 – Please get the sponsor excel sheet up to share. Consult the sheet to see who is contacting who so they don't get bombarded by multiple people. Justin will create an album on Facebook of sponsors. Will be sharing sponsors to 690. Honey Creek opting out again, so only 2 clubs/shops.
- VP Field – Nothing
- VP Hunting – Nothing
- NFAA Director –
- Pro Rep – Nothing
- Secretary – Nothing
- Treasurer – Purses becoming bigger for 690, so we should have an actual set of rules spelled out. Add to Wednesday's meeting.
- President – Please get your district dates to Jessica.
- Jim Shackelford would like us to "join forces" with USA Indiana. Is that a conflict of interest? Where's the rub? Conflict seemed to be between NFAA and USA and has contributed to some of the problems in Indiana.
  - Rick has asked Jim to write up what his vision is. And then Michael can take it to Rocky Cline, etc. and would depend on what that means. Check with Brian Sheffler. Proposal to make Jim Shackelford the

director down in district 7. He would be more active than Joe. Is that ok? Michael will check with Brian.

According to our constitution, District 7 now does not have directors.

- 16K people have seen the initial post on the 690. We could not even handle 2% of that number of shooters. So we are on track. Would have to consider adding additional lines.
- Motion to accept new business by Justin Waldrip, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Chuck Thorn. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business for Constitutional changes tabled until Spring 2023 meeting:

- District 1 – Nothing
  - District 2 – Nothing
  - District 3 – Nothing
  - District 4 – Nothing
  - District 5 – Nothing
  - District 6 – Rick’s constitutional changes he is writing for the universal compound class and if anything needs added for the achievement system.
  - District 7 – Nothing
  - District 8 –
  - VP Field – Nothing
  - VP Hunting – Nothing
  - NFAA Director –
  - Pro Rep –
  - Secretary –
  - Treasurer –
  - President – Nothing
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- Justin will look at map to potentially redraw districts with possible 3 directors per region.
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- Possibility to bring in youth involvement.... add an actual “Junior” director to districts for the youth to come along as mentees. Appointed positions to youth who show interest, to sit in with meetings, help in any way possible with district events. Can appoint multiple youths.
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- 3D Qualifier Change... May, June, July, August Qualifiers

Motion to adjourn by Michael Arison. Rob Garfield second; passed unanimously.

Adjourned 4:37pm