ACWSA Meeting Minutes Feb 27 2016 Richmond Historical Schoolhouse

Call to order @ 10:02 AM

All units represented.

Review the minutes from 2015. Motion to approve by Mike Zandarski, seconded by Sean Buckert. Motion passed.

OFFICERS REPORT

Commander: No major issues, some shoot attendance slightly down. Weather was a factor at 1st Richmond Skirmish.

Summary of National Meeting - National skirmish in June getting organized, coming together nicely.

Discussion of shooting authentic cartridges from revolver.

- a) National I.G. recommended that cylinders be swabbed before reloading.
- b) We would like to get the opinion of our Regional I.G.

c) Primarily we are trying to accommodate the living historians who strive to be as authentic as possible, but we must balance authenticity with overall safety.

Adjutant: 2015 registration went well with all dues and rosters submitted by their due dates. Master spreadsheet sent to Wisconsin.

We currently stand at 90 registered members, down 5 from previous year.

Paymaster report: Mike Zandarski gave a summation of the total income and expenses. We also collected an income from Amazon of 34.65.

Motion by Jim Boeder seconded by Sean Buckert to accept paymaster report. Motion passed.

Inspector General report: Bob Hubbard: No issues encountered in 2015.

Small Arms: Chris Hubbard: No new firearms submitted for inspection

Short discussion followed concerning the living historians. Both the historians and the ACWSA members were pleasantly surprised at the interest and knowledge each group posses of their respective passions. It is agreed that the living historians are an asset to our group and hope they remain as an active part in the years to come.

Artillery report: Norm Gibson: Nothing of note to report. Artillery matches were minimal in 2015. No safety issues.

Medical Officers: Dave Mandy: It was a safe 2015. Dispensed a few aspirins, which Dave was very thankful for. Medical kit is stocked and ready.

By Laws Committee: Dan Gibson

Dan will send out by laws to team commanders for an electronic approval. Commanders are requested to respond by to the email with a Yea or a Nay.

Paul will update changes and forward to Gary Van Kauwenbergh.

Old Business

New metal target proposal - Mike Z.: New target shape is an acorn, which will be smaller than our pop can silhouette. Mike will try to get pricing and a count of how many would need to be made up.

New Business

Friendship shoot with NWT (N-SSA)

ACWSA and NSSA proposed combined shoot. Bruce Miller proposed the concept to the NWT commanders, who showed an interest in participating. 1st Michigan and 15th Va. would be host teams. Both are crossover groups.

Suggestion that the first Richmond ACWSA weekend to host the combined skirmish. Laingsburg in July for NWT to reciprocate (tentative)

Discussion how to operate events - advance skirmish line, rolling thunder- an opportunity for us to show off how fun skirmishing can be and to demonstrate the similarities and differences between the two groups. Reminded that this is a FRIENDSHIP shoot and both groups should put aside their differences for a weekend of skirmish fun.

Motion to designate 1st Richmond as ACWSA Friendship shoot by Jim Boeder seconded by Doug Reed. Motion passed.

Motion that Dave Mandy and Bruce Miller be the liaison between the ACWSA and NWT by Norm Gibson seconded by Sean Buckert. Motion passed.

ACWSA Nationals

June 10-12 Bristol Indiana Chief Wa-Ke-De Range Club is excited to have us. Saturday night potluck dinner proposed by Wisconsin region. We have concerns about hauling food. Possible local catering opportunities?

Advertising- Bruce Miller put together a flyer- club has a lot of contact avenues for getting the word out.

No ground fires at range- clarification requested. Pets? Paul Lipka will inquire. Water available at range. We must cleanup targeting/ recycling center nearby open 24 hours. Shower facilities on site. Novelty event 50/50 event. Targeting- each team bring your own pigeons Norm will bring metal targets. Encouraging tables with items for sale. Non member shoot options- discussed types of firearms to be available. 50/50 agreement with range with monies collected. Motion by Dave Mandy seconded by Chris Hubbard that all proceeds should go to range. Motion passed.

2016 Event Schedule

5/21/2016 Blue Water 6/10/2016 1st ACWSA National - Bristol IN 6/25/2016 Richmond 7/9/2016 Blue Water Artillery and Long Range match 8/13/2016 Richmond 8/27/2016 Ashley 10/9/2016 Blue Water. (Oct 8 - Saturday High School class field trip)

Scouts to handle 2016 concession

11:31 am 10 minute recess 12:01 pm Called to order

Fort Wayne – Phil Vermeulen

Two signal cannon at Ft Wayne need funds to be restored. Asking region to hold a fundraiser to raise \$600 to aquire plaques for the cannons.

Pete Simpson - motion to designate a regional skirmish as a charity fundraiser to raise \$600 for the Ft Wayne Cannon and remaining monies contributed from the regional treasury. Second by Dave Mandy. Motion passed.

Motion Dave Mandy to designate 1st Richmond as a charity fundraiser skirmish. Second by Chris Hubbard. Motion passed.

Range Supplies-

Norm (RSC) and Mike (BW): Range supplies are good. Linda Haack donated a lot of cardboard, which will carry us thru several years.

Both ranges could use another box of bendable wires that will be picked up in Virginia. In good shape for the season

Norm would like to have a work party at RSC to sort out supplies in shed and inventory

Election of Officers (2 year term) *except as noted

Regional Commander : Paul Lipka Regional Adjutant (1 year term)*: Chris Einowski Regional Treasurer: Mike Zandarski Regional Inspector General (s) Doug Reed, Bob Hubbard, Jim Bone

OPEN FORUM

Round of applause for officers elected. No other business. Motion by Bruce Miller seconded by Pete Simpson to adjourn. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 12:36 pm.

Respectfully submitted Chris Einowski Adjutant ACWSA Michigan Region 2nd Texas Sharpshooters