

# ACWSA Board Meeting

February 14, 2016



1. Commander Chabalowski called the meeting to order, at 9:45 on Sunday, February 14 in the home of Stephen and Elain Sherry in Burlington, WI. Roll call -

Present:

Natl/WI Region Commander: Bob Chabalowski  
Natl Deputy Commander: Mike Zandarski (via phone)  
Natl Paymaster: Darlene Van Kauwenbergh  
Natl Judge Advocate General: Dan Graff  
WI/IL IG: Bob Bucher  
MI Regional Commander: Paul Lipka (via phone)  
MI Adjutant: Chris Einowski (via phone)

Absent:

Adjutant: Terry Arliskas (represented by Gary Van Kauwenbergh)

2. 2016 Nationals: The majority of the meeting was spent discussing the upcoming Nationals

A. The recycling center near the range was reported to be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for our cardboard and plastic.

B. Doug Steinke is still checking on food (both lunches and Saturday supper).

C. No alcohol is allowed on the range of the Chief Wa-Ke'-De club, but they're leaving it to our discretion after shooting in the camp area.

D. Norm Gibson is coordinating the press releases and publicity. Chief Wa-Ke'-De club officer Doug Steinke wants to do a number of things locally, and post fliers in local gun shops.

E. The range will be completely closed and turned over to us at 2 p.m. on Thursday.

F. Absolutely no ground fires are allowed on the facility.

G. Water is available on site.

H. We are using gallon and half-gallon jugs for smoothbore and revolver targeting instead of metal plates. Metal plates will still be used for 100 yard musket, carbine and breechloader targeting.

I. Norm Gibson will be supplying all 4" breakable tiles for the entire weekend.

J. There's quite a bit of interest among the local Cowboy Action Shooters in the event. Doug Steinke is working on getting a number together for us so we can plan on bringing extra muskets and ammo to get them involved.

K. The hands-on-history table was discussed. There were concerns about the types of weapons that would be available and supplying ammo. Bob Chabalowski suggested if we have a carbine, we limit it to a muzzle-loader. Gary stated manning the table was on the draft duty roster, and suggested we identify volunteers willing to man it, let them do the planning, and let them tell us whatever they want.

L. Someone asked if any sutlers would be at the Nationals. None are planned, and there are no plans to pursue any at this time.

M. Each team will be bringing their own drilled clay pigeons, but the ACWSA will be supplying both wire and garbage bag ties.

N. Dick Tessmann offered to bring down his ATV to help tote things downrange if there isn't one available at the Chief Wa-Ke'-De range. Bob Chabalowski said he would check with Doug Steinke.

3. The upcoming proposal to allow authentic nitrated paper cartridges for revolver was discussed. Nothing in writing has been submitted yet. [Note: for rule changes, we should have something in writing showing the changes to the existing rule along with the new verbiage] WI IG Bob Bucher would like to physically see a round before rendering an opinion. Gary Van Kauwenbergh stated he thought adding the requirement to swab the barrel and cylinder wasn't necessary as long as all the loading was done in the ready area after a reasonable time lapse, but that we should insist on over-lubing the cylinders to help prevent side chamber ignition. There were mixed opinions about swabbing, but general agreement on the over-lubing.

MI Inspector Generals (IGs) are currently Jim Bone and Bob Hubbard, but there's an election coming up at their regional meeting in a couple weeks.

4. Darlene presented her financial report, and report on ACWSA membership levels. See the separate posting on the web site for the complete reports. Basically both our fund balance and membership levels are down a little, but nothing significant.

Bob Chabalowski mentioned we may be needing some new defibrillator batteries. Gary Van Kauwenbergh pointed out that the AED's should be stored in the off season without the batteries so they last longer as many of the units do periodic self-checks when they have batteries in them.

5. The new website was mentioned, and a suggestion was made to add something about the types of firearms we use, so outsiders like Cowboy Action Shooters could have a better idea about what we do.

6. The next scheduled board meeting will be next February, in conjunction with the WI/IL meeting.

7. The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Your Obedient Servant,  
Gary Van Kauwenbergh  
(for National Adjutant Terry Arliskas)