

MINUTES
ACWSA WISCONSIN REGIONAL MEETING
September 16, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 12:15 pm after the end of the skirmish on Sunday, September 17, 2017 at the Conservation Club of Kenosha County Range in Bristol, WI.

Present were: Commander Bob Chabalowski
Deputy Commander Gary Van Kauwenbergh
Paymaster Darlene Van Kauwenbergh
Judge Advocate General Dan Graff
Dick Tessmann, 8th Wisconsin
Bob Chabalowski, 66th North Carolina
Tom Brown, 56th Virginia
Stephen Sherry, 15th Wisconsin
Gary Van Kauwenbergh, 2nd Wisconsin
Rick Reiner, 1st USSS

1. The minutes from our last meeting on 2/12/2008 were accepted as published without review.
2. Paymaster Report
 - a. Darlene Van Kauwenbergh reported a balance of \$2,613 in the ACWSA checkbook.
 - b. The group recommended keeping 2019 dues at \$10. No major expenditures are anticipated next year.
3. The 2019 Skirmish schedule was reviewed and hosting units confirmed their dates. The schedule will be officially approved at the February meeting. The schedule is now posted on acwsa.org at <http://acwsa.org/Documents/2019ScheduleDraft.pdf>
 - A. Bob Chabalowski said he was considering making the Appleton skirmish a friendship shoot. Indications are that at least the 46th ILL would attend.
 - B. The Boscobel skirmish was discussed, and we decided to go ahead with it again in 2019, with the following changes:
 - a. Gary Van Kauwenbergh will coordinate getting the porta-potty, and possibly a dumpster with the reenactors running the event. Stephen Sherry said that in the past Terry Skweres helped tote away the garbage in his trailer.
 - b. It will be a friendship skirmish. The 29th Wisconsin will be the N-SSA co-host, and Bob Chabalowski will take care of the N-SSA paperwork.
 - c. Typical weather for August is usually hot, and the group thought we should either slow down or cut back on the schedule.
 - C. The possible skirmish at Cedar Springs in western Michigan to celebrate the ACWSA 20th Anniversary was discussed. While there was some interest, the date range was problematic. There is not one weekend in next year's August-September time frame that does not either overlay or go back-to-back with established skirmishes. The group does not want to do anything that detracts from the WI/ILL region. Someone suggested using the Lake Express Ferry, which costs \$194 per auto plus \$157 per person round-trip.
4. Shooting non-standard distances for skirmish events was discussed. We decided non-standard distances were fine, as long as they weren't over-done. Hosts of Friendship skirmishes need



to be mindful of N-SSA rules. Non-standard distances do need to be announced in the skirmish fliers. The ACWSA rules state:

“SHOULDER ARMS -TARGET DISTANCES - 2.2.C. In the discretion of the skirmish director, with notice thereof in the skirmish schedule, team events with any shoulder arms may be fired at distances different than the individual events for the arms involved, and individual and team events may be fired at different distances than those stated above.”

“Individual Match Targeting - 2.8. G. If targeting distances different than 25, 50, or 100 yards are set by the skirmish director under these rules, targeting for those distances shall be the same as for the closest distance to that set by the skirmish director.”

5. Covering skirmishes that lose money was discussed. At one time, we voted to reimburse any host who lost money on a skirmish, but with the WI/IL funds comingled with the MI funds, we can't do that anymore. The board decided to simply 'pass the hat' if it ever happens.
6. Cardboard: With Mike Young retiring, we won't be able to get cardboard through him anymore. He is checking about getting one last batch for us.
7. Bob Chabalowski will serve as the ACWSA National Commander for 2019-20. The Deputy Commander automatically assumes the position.
8. Stephen Sherry said we have enough ribbons to last at least one more year.
9. The meeting was closed at 1:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Gary Van Kauwenbergh
WI/IL Region Deputy Commander



Proposal for a 2019 A.C.W.S.A. twentieth anniversary skirmish.

The crew of the C.S.S. Neuse is proposing to host an A.C.W.S.A. 20th anniversary skirmish to be held prior to the N-SSA Fall nationals in 2019 at Cedar Springs, Michigan.

The C.S.S. Neuse will host this event and set-up frames and targeting. The Neuse will provide the A.C.W.S.A. with local information such as; local hotels, restaurants, camping, hospitals and grocery stores.

The skirmish would be inclusive of A.C.W.S.A. WI-IL and MI teams with N-SSA WR and NWT teams invited as our guests. Skirmish rules would be that of the A.C.W.S.A. All targeting will be breakable; ranges will be set up for all events from BB gun to artillery (350-yard range).

The date is to be determined, August – September weekend being most desired.

Celebration of 20 years of the A.C.W.S.A. Will be promoted to local papers, historical associations and radio stations by the members of the C.S.S. Neuse.

Red Flannel Rod and Gun Club (RFRGC) Cedar Springs, Michigan is located 154 miles from Detroit and 273 Miles from Kenosha. If taking the S.S. Badger from Manitowoc to Ludington, then there is a 92 mile drive to the range. The RFRGC will provide concessions and free on-site camping. Camp set up would start at Noon on Friday. Club house seats 220.

V/R Jon Leghorn, C.S.S. Neuse.