NSSA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

National Shooting Complex San Antonio, Texas February 15, 2008

- A. ROLL CALL President Louise Terry called the meeting to order at 8:36 AM. Committee members present were, Bill Batty Vice President; Jim Gast, Secretary/Treasurer; Bob DeFrancesco, Zone 1; Bob Myers, Zone 2; John Haugh, Zone 3; Bill Murrell, Zone 4; Jack Tans, Zone 5; Wayne Black, Zone 6; Bill Wright, Zone 7; John Bratty, Zone 8; and Al Magyar, Immediate Past President. Don Root, Zone 9, was absent. Also present were Don Snyder, Executive Director; Carl Hensch; Skeet Director; Steve Scales, Director for Finance; and Billy D. Williams. Committee rosters were provided; currently seeking a new member for the Rules Committee, due to the resignation of Jimmy Reay.
- B. MINUTES A motion was made by Jack Tans, 2nd by Al Magyar, to approve the June 8, 2007 and the October 10, 2007 Executive Committee meeting minutes, with the October minutes amended to remove the name of the individual that disciplinary action was taken on due to his passing away, and simply state it was a Pennsylvania shooter. Motion passed all in favor. Howie Altman asked the Executive Committee review the motion from the October 7, 2007 Board of Directors meeting re the Junior World Skeet Championships, as he felt it does not accurately reflect what he intended or what was approved. This motion directly affects this year's shoot. Resolving this now is important, as it directly affects this year's Junior World. A motion was made by Wayne Black, 2nd by Bob DeFrancesco, that NSSA collect \$7,000 from the host club in advance of the Junior World, but rebate that amount in full once the club has raised \$7,000. In addition, 50% of funds raised by Headquarters, up to the cost for programs, medals, mailings, etc., will be retained by NSSA, with balance going to the host club. Motion passed all in favor.

C. UPCOMING MEETINGS

- 1. Nomination Conference Call: TBA (mid/late March)
- 2. Executive Committee Summer Meeting: May 17, 2008 at The Homestead in Virginia. Executive Committee members were provided reservation forms that need to be submitted by April 15th.
- 3. Annual Board of Directors Meeting: October 5, 2008, NSC Complex (Beretta Pavilion)

D. OFFICERS' REPORTS

- President Concerned with additional loss of shooters and shoots, given the current costs for ammunition, travel, etc. We should do anything we can to reduce the financial burden on our members.
- 2. Vice President Need to move forward with an environmental assessment of our property.
- 3. Secretary-Treasurer No report. All details will be covered the meeting.

E. BUDGET/FINANCE

- 1. Financials End of the Year Statement Steve Scales Had a slight surplus over budget, even with an increase in property taxes, because income was more than budgeted due to a record World English Sporting, corporate events, and return on our investments. Even with the current economic down-turn, still expect a better than average return this year.
- 2. Audit Committee Report, Jack Tans The Committee met February 8, 2008 and reviewed the auditors' report, which identified several areas of concern. Of particular note, there is currently no written documentation of computer operations and IT Department policies and procedures. Such documentation is critical in the event of employee turnover or software problems. It was also noted that computer passwords are not changed on a regular basis and, due to the small size of our staff, the functions of computer programming, operations, installation and security administration are available to one person. The Audit Committee recommended to the Executive Committee that a review of the IT area be undertaken and to consider the auditors' recommendation that an outside consultant be engaged to review "the hardware and software systems and evaluate the adequacy of policies, procedures and safeguards currently in effect". Note was made that none of the IT issues involve or affect our financial system. Wayne Black offered his services to assist the IT Department to identify and rectify problem areas, and was asked by Louise Terry to proceed ASAP to help, focusing first on our website and phone system problems.

- 3. Auditors Report Padgett & Stratemann & Co. provided an "unqualified" opinion on our financial statements for the year ending 2007, which is the highest rating that can be received. They stated we were in conformance with generally accepted accounting principles. The year-end audit was reviewed in detail by the auditors. There were no recommendations to management, other than the IT issues already mentioned in the Audit Committee's report. There is only one recommendation from the prior year audit, which concerns the reconciliation of membership software, still pending. There is a new suite of auditing standards that will come into effect for next year, a summary of which was provided. The purpose is to give us a better quality audit, but it will take more time to perform the audit. A motion was made by Jack Tans, 2nd by Bill Wright, to accept Padgett, Stratemann & Co. audit of the financial statements for the year ending November 30, 2007. Motion passed all in favor.
- 4. JGP Investment Review Lynn Johnson and Joe Gross, our investment managers since 1985, provided the Executive Committee an update on the Association's investment portfolio. Due in part to our conservative portfolio and, primarily, the market volatility during the last part of the year, the current value only increased slightly from the previous year-to-date. However, over the long term, we have out-performed the market on a consistent basis with less risk. JGP recommended we maintain our current asset allocation.

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 1. Forbes Environmental Assessment First stage report identified 13 areas on the grounds that will potentially require remediation. The report also provides us different methods of remediation and an estimated cost. The cost of the remediation itself could range anywhere from \$250,000 to \$6 million depending upon land use. It will cost \$150-200,000 to perform the work to determine (phase two) what and how much remediation needs to be done to narrow down the remediation cost. We have completed, and have EPA approval, for our environmental stewardship plan for NSC/Headquarters property. As long as we don't change our usage of the property, we are in good shape.
- 2. Budget Analysis Potential budget reductions have been identified in the event the current economic climate continues and adversely impacts our revenue.
- 3. Long Range Planning Committee Report and Status of San Antonio Property Offer The Committee developed three different scenarios to summarize options available to the Association:
 - Staying Where We Are
 - Selling and Moving
 - Office only Money in the Bank

Each scenario includes requirements, and real solutions and risk factors for each. All but the "Selling and Moving" scenario has a five year strategic plan revenue and expense projection. At this time, the Committee recommends we stay where we are, and turn-down the offer received last fall to buy the property for approximately \$20M. However, it would be prudent to consult a real estate broker to find out what the property may be worth. A motion was made by Jack Tans, 2nd by Bob DeFrancesco, to respond with no counter-offer and to decline the Stransky offer to buy the property. Motion passed all in favor. A motion was made by Jack Tans, 2nd by Jim Gast, to proceed to consult with CBR Ellis as to NSC land value and development opportunities with no commitment or contract obligation at this time. Motion passed all in favor.

- 4. Membership Corporation of America (MCA) Marketing Study Gayle Teskey gave a report at the NSSA/NSCA Steering Committee meeting yesterday with phase one recommendations covering benefit articulation, enrollment brochures, the SSR, Sporting Clays, a website plan, eNewsletter plan, benefit development and a member kit. In addition to the recommendations from MCA, it was mentioned that a number of videos have been produced that we could (should?) limit to members via the website.
- "Clay Target Shootout" TV Program by Linden Productions The Outdoor Channel has cancelled a number of shows; however, Scott Linden indicated he is on track to continue post-production and delivery of the remaining episodes. Outdoor Channel has not committed to air dates for the

- series on their standard definition network, but has run several on their HD network. Scott Linden will continue to keep Don Snyder appraised of the status.
- 6. "How to Run a Shoot" Video Bill Batty and Bob DeFrancesco committed to start putting the video together at the Minute Man Classic and Zone shoots this summer. A proposal was received for NSSA to set-up, maintain and make available a roster of individuals who know how to use the various skeet shoot software programs on the website. Such a list would not be an endorsement, but merely a list of individuals clubs can contact if they wish to hire out their shoot registration/adminstration.
- 7. Club Assistance Bob DeFrancesco contacted his directors to engage, in lieu of himself directly engaging, clubs that had not renewed their NSSA membership. As a result of this focused effort at the State level, four clubs have rejoined and will begin holding registered shoots in Zone 1, with a number of others in the works. Action Item: NSSA will provide a list of clubs that have not renewed their NSSA membership in the last several years in the respective Zone to the each Executive Committee member for similar follow-up action to be taken.

G. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 1. Executive Director Compensation was discussed and agreed to.
- 2. Executive Committee members identified individuals in their respective Zone they thought might be candidates for future NSSA directors and Executive Committee members.
- Nomination Committee Report After canvassing the Executive Committee members, the recommended slate for the 2008 officer elections is: Bob DeFrancesco, Secretary-Treasurer; Jim Gast, Vice President; and Bill Batty, President. Nominations will be formalized after March 1st in accordance with the bylaws.

H. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/ZONE REPORTS

1. Executive Director – Had a great year in 2007... The change in date for the NSCA Championships worked well. We were blessed with good weather between the World Shoot and National Championships to complete all preparation; we may not always be so fortunate. John Deere has dropped their sponsorship, as has Exide Battery. However, Exmark and All State Battery have expressed interest in becoming sponsors. The GMC truck and Krieghoff raffle winners were drawn recently by our auditors, and the winners are posted on both websites. The offer still stands that we will give \$1,000 to any member that supplies an introduction to a company that subsequently provides substantial (\$10,000) sponsorship. We gave over 200 special CLMs to members of the Outdoor Writers Association at the Shot Show, as a means of publicity. We are moving forward with "hard-wiring" our network to improve connectivity for the vendors. We will continue to defer the installation of perimeter fencing until development resumes along Roft Road.

2. Zone Reports:

Zone 1 – Have received a number of requests from Zone 1 shooters to have the high house on the stadium field at NSC be corrected. Don Snyder agreed to look into this. Last year's shoot at Minute Man went very well. This year's Zone shoot will be at Rochester Brooks.

Zone 2 – This year's Zone shoot will be held at DuPont Fish & Game in Millington, DE.

Zone 3 – Have a new President for the Ohio Association, Jim Rogers. The Black Wing Shooting Center and Camp Perry will be holding registered shoots this year. This year's shoot will be St. Joe's Valley Conservation Club, home of the Mid-America, in Indiana.

Zone 4 – Attempts have been made to contact Forest City to solicit a bid for the 2008 Zone shoot, but no response has been received. Bids are in-hand from Ft. Bragg and the Tom Lowe Shooting Center. The winter meeting will be held via conference call February 23rd to decide the location. Camp Lejuene is getting ready to reconstruct their fields, and will have access from off-base.

Zone 5 – Last year's shoot was in Lincoln, NE. This year's Zone shoot will be at Brown County Sportsmen's Club in Green Bay, WI. Sparta's new machines are Mattarelli traps, and will be received in the next 3-4 weeks. They will be having a shake-down shoot, the Mid-West Classic, the end of June.

<u>Zone 6</u> – The Zone shoot will be in Little Rock, AR at the Blue Rock Gun Club. Waco is going to continue their operations with no reduction in the number of fields. They have been doing a lot work, reconstructing houses.

Zone 7 – This year's Zone shoot will be in Stockton, CA. Stockton is also hosting the Junior World. In 2009, we are scheduled to have the Zone shoot at Ben Avery in April. A motion was made by Bill Murrell, 2nd by Bob DeFrancesco, to approve a one-time waiver to allow an April shoot date for the 2009 Zone 7 shoot. Motion passed all in favor. Two clubs have reopened; one in Cottage Grove, OR, which will hopefully help to off-set the closure of Corvallis Gun Club; and the other in Hollywood, CA. Clark County Shooting Park, in Las Vegas, has been battling neighborhood pressures and, therefore, still hasn't been able to start field construction. Zone 8 – The Zone shoot will, once again, be a satellite shoot. This venue continues to be successful for Zone 8. England has expressed interest in participating this year. Zone 9 – No report.

I. NEW BUSINESS

- Disposition of 2009 GMC Truck The net proceeds from last year's raffle, after expenses, was only \$8,900. Don Snyder recommended that we still donate the full amount of the designated receipts, and the Association absorb the cost of conducting the raffle. The raffle was not the best means by which to raise money. A motion was made by Al Magyar, 2nd by John Bratty, to donate the full amount of the designated receipts, and have the Association absorb the cost of conducting the raffle. Motion passed all in favor. In hindsight, we would have been better off simply selling the truck and using the proceeds to support the organization. One idea is to auction the truck, but require NSSA or NSCA membership to bid on it. Another suggestion is to use the truck to replace one of the Association's vehicles for one or two years, and then sell the truck. We will address the disposition of the 2009 truck at the Summer Executive Committee meeting.
- 2. Veterans of Gulf War Donations The PGA has set-up a program wherein each person attending a golf tournament donate \$1 to benefit veterans of the Gulf War and their families, with funds presented on Patriot's Day (September 11th), and have asked NSSA/NSCA to organize a similar program. At a minimum, through our magazines and websites, we should encourage our member clubs to get involved with programs to benefit returning troops, either on their own or in conjunction with local communities. There have also been some clubs that have donated shells and targets for local military personnel to shoot. Louise Terry will make this a topic in one of her future President's Letter column.
- 3. 4 Gun, 50 Target Shoots Ric Hart from Rockford, IL feels it is vital for NSSA to lead by example if we expect 50 target shoots to become successful. It's an excellent venue to introduce new, local area, shooters to skeet shooting. It's not necessarily meant to attract traveling shooters. It is one answer to the recurring complaint that registered shooting costs too much, and takes up too much time. It's also a good way to get sporting clays shooters to utilize their Crossfire membership.
- 4. World Shoot Format Change: 6 versus 10 Days Shoot attendance has been declining. One scenario would be to conduct the Mini World over two days as 50 target events in each gauge, and reduce the World 12 Gauge event from 250 to 100 targets. Another approach would be to keep the targets the same as present, but limit the number of shooters by holding the shoots over a fewer number of days. There were a number of comments that with a preponderance of AAA and AA shooters, 50 target events for the Mini World wouldn't be practical. For thirty years we only had a .410 prelim before the Mini World came into being. No changes are proposed at this time, but we will solicit input from our membership at-large through the website concerning World shoot format changes.
- 5. NSSA/NSCA Pet Memberships A motion was made by Bill Murrell, 2nd by Wayne Black, to adopt an NSSA/NSCA Pet Membership. Motion passed; one opposed.
- 6. New U. S. Open Criteria HOA Champion, only, be shot-off using one regular round of singles with the .410, miss-and-out by target, followed by doubles at stations 3, 4 & 5, miss-and-out by

- station. A motion was made by John Haugh, 2nd by Bill Wright, effective in 2008, to adopt the proposed HOA Champion shoot-off format change for the U.S. Open. Motion passed all in favor. The U.S. Open Criteria document will be updated to reflect this change.
- 7. "Western" Masters Received a proposal from Bruce Kinkner in Zone 7 for NSSA to conduct a major fixture shoot on the west coast. Don Snyder will develop a counter proposal wherein NSSA would contract for the shoot management, arrange the sponsorship, set the program, etc., but not physically run the shoot with NSSA personnel.
- 8. Vendors Cup Don Snyder queried a number of the smaller vendors for sponsorships at levels lower than the major sponsors. Responses from the vendors were not what were hoped for; and, several placed limitations on their degree of participation. Such a program, as a separate shoot, is not viable at this time. Need to look at getting them to provide sponsorship for existing shoots. These could be used to off-set anticipated reduction in support from some of our longstanding major sponsors.
- 9. Reduction of Minimum Targets The number of shooters achieving target standards has been on a steady decline over the last five years. A financial analysis of reducing the standard showed that such a reduction wouldn't adversely affect our bottom line. There may be shooters who today shoot 600 or 700 targets who might now be encouraged to shoot the extra targets necessary to reach standards. A motion was made by Al Magyar, 2nd by Bill Batty, to lower open target standards to 1,000 12 gauge targets; 800 20 and 28 Gauge and .410 bore targets; and, 500 Doubles targets effective with the current shooting year. Motion passed; one opposed.
- 10. Reinstatement of Members Suspended for Returned Checks The members in question have served two months suspension for a second offense, and are also in arrears two Life Member payments. The members will be advised if they pay-up their Life Member dues, and petition the Executive Committee for reinstatement, their request will be considered at the May meeting.
- J. INFORMATION AND TECHNOLOGY REPORT Have had a number of problems with our firewall for website access and email rejections. Wayne Black proposed the Association out-source the hosting of our website and email server. Estimated cost would run \$200-250 per month. Doing so would relieve about 20 hours per week of one of our IT personnel's time. Wayne Black will work with Brad Jones ASAP to obtain bids and identify candidates. A motion was made by John Haugh, 2nd by Bob DeFrancesco, to approve up to \$2,500 for installation and \$300/month to out-source hosting of our website and email server. Motion passed all in favor. Direct access to our data would not be allowed from the hosting site; we would upload refreshed data at regular intervals. Wayne Black will provide a full report on his assessment of our hardware and software systems, addressing the concerns raised by our auditors, as well as the phone system and the hard-wiring of our network to the vendor buildings at the Summer Executive Committee meeting. The target to have the vendor buildings wired by the Toni Roger's weekend is possible.

K. NATIONAL SKEET SHOOTING ASSOCIATION

- 1. Membership and Target Statistics Even though our membership and the number of member clubs have remained fairly constant over the last several years, the number of registered shoots and targets shot continue their downward trend. Everyone recognizes that the current economic climate (i.e., the cost of targets, ammunition, traveling, etc.) is a strong factor. We need to do some brain-storming to indentify actions we might take to encourage registered shooting, including leagues. Bill Batty will chair a session Saturday morning to start this process. If successful we may continue this discussion with input from members during the Toni Rogers' shoot weekend.
- 2. Election Calendar The nomination process for Directors was published in the February SSR, and posted on the website, but the information doesn't include that a State Association can also make the nomination in lieu of individuals obtaining five signatures. A motion was made by Jim Gast, 2nd by Bill Murrell, to include nomination of Directors by a State Association in the March SSR (if possible) and posted on the website. Motion passed all in favor. The consent form and ballot will be combined on a single form for the election of Executive Committee

representatives. Only <u>current</u> directors vote for the Executive Committee representative from their respective Zone.

L. NSSA SHOOTS

- 1. U.S. Open
 - a) Review Plans from World Shooting Complex Sparta, IL John Tans The contract has been signed with WRSC. We will squad 22 of 24 fields, which will accommodate 385 shooters. The Tourism Bureau of SE Illinois is arranging for motel rooms in Fairview, IL. Kolar is the title sponsor, and is providing a custom shotgun that will be raffled (500 tickets at \$50). Sponsors so far are: White Flyer for the HOA; Winchester for the HAA; and Browning for the 20 Gauge. Barry Rich and company will do registration and run the computer. John Kujawski is the Chief Referee, John Bratty and Jim Carver are the Assistant Chief Referees. The U.S. Open website is linked from myNSSA. It was noted that the order of guns will be: 12, 28, 20 and .410.
 - b) 2009 U. S. Open The only bid at this time is from Rochester Brooks Gun Club in New York. The 2009 U.S. Open will be awarded at the Summer Executive Committee in May.
 - c) 2010 U. S. Open Received bids from Ben Avery Clay Target in Arizona and Shenecoy Sportsmen's in Pennsylvania will be notified they are out of sequence.
- 2. 2008 World Championship Trish Magyar [resent recommendations from her review of the program. Several concurrent event averages will be changed, where necessary, between Groups 2 and 3 to balance the entries. In addition, the number of some awards will be reduced, due to low participation in some concurrent and team events. Honors only will be added for SubJuniors, Juniors and Collegiate shooters for the purpose of World Records.
- 3. 2008 Krieghoff Masters Ft. Bragg is preparing for this shoot and the drawing was completed at NSSA headquarters in January. Shooters drawn were notified and posted on myNSSA.com, and as shooters are moved off the waiting list, the changes are reflected on the website.
- 4. Unsolicited Proposal for 2009 Masters at Shenecoy Sportsmen's, PA Krieghoff has been very pleased with the Ft. Bragg venue, and is not interested in moving it from there anytime in the foreseeable future.
- 2008 Junior World Being held at Stockton Trap & Skeet Club in California July 25-27th
- 6. 2008 Vintage World Skeet Championship/Event 6 Being held at Lake Oconee Shooting Club in Georgia April 10-13th
- 7. 2008 International Skeet Championship Being held at the Black Wing Shooting Center in Ohio July 11-13th
- 2007 World Shoot Survey Results Only 74 responses were received, so it was noted this isn't statistically a good sample of the population, but the comments receive were overwhelmingly positive.
- 9. 2007 World Shoot Target Breakage Report Howard Confer's report indicates a breakage of less than .19% (1 out 530). Though the breakage rate is lower than what most clubs experience, he stated it was higher than expected, and attributes it to difficulties White Flyer has been having with their pitch supplier; the formula change brought about by EPA regulation changes in 2006; and loading and unloading of targets in the machines on the shoot-off fields when we switch from orange-domed to all-orange for the shoot-offs.

M. NATIONAL SHOOTING COMPLEX

- 1. 2008 Schedule of Events Continue to have full schedule of corporate and other shooting events on the grounds.
- 2. 2008 Construction and Maintenance Budget A motion was made by Jack Tans, 2nd by John Haugh, to approve the Construction and Maintenance plan up to the budgeted amount. Motion passed all in favor.
- N. CLUB ASSISTANCE PROGRAM A motion was made by Al Magyar, 2nd by Bill Murrell, to approve grants in the amount of \$4,000 for the following clubs: Ft. Kearney Shooting Association, NE; The Gun Club, Saskatchewan, CAN; Fredericton Trap and Skeet Club, New

Brunswick, CAN; Rockingham Co. Gun Club, NC; and Clinton Irwin Rod & Gun Club, PA. Motion passed all in favor. These clubs will notified by Headquarters of their approved grants.

- O. NSSA HALL OF FAME A motion was made by Bob DeFrancesco, 2nd by Al Magyar, for 2008 to induct Stuart Fairbank in the Open category into the NSSA Hall of Fame for shooting achievements. Motion passed all in favor. A motion was made by Bob DeFrancesco, 2nd by Bill Batty to induct Gayle Osborne in the Ladies category into the NSSA Hall of Fame for shooting achievements. Motion passed all in favor. A motion was made by Bill Murrell, 2nd by Al Magyar, to induct Don Stevens in the NSSA Hall of Fame for the Ray Boller award. Motion passed all in favor. This year's Hall of Fame banquet will be held at Pedrotti's.
- **P. MEMBERSHIP** Debbi Perry provided an excellent report from her committee. The areas they focused on and their recommendations were:

How do we retain the current members?

- Cultivate a new group of shooters who do not shoot target standards, but shoot at least 1,000 to 1,500 targets a year at more than one gun club.
- Provide the opportunity for rewards to this new group of shooters by using the current GMC contract products as incentive or do an annual drawing for one or more of these shooters and reward prizes such as shotguns and ammunition.
- Provide these new shooters an opportunity to attend the World Shoot, with basic entry fees and ammunition paid for, or at least discounted.
- Obtain members' email addresses at every opportunity to facilitate communications and information sharing

How do we increase the volume of targets shot per member?

- Create a national calendar of registered skeet shooting events on the NSSA website to encourage travel and shooting at other club locations
- Create a calendar of instructional shooting opportunities on the NSSA website

How do we market to the members who fall between shooting no targets to shooting standards?

- Create a "New Shooters" tab on the NSSA website
- Increase sport awareness through merchandising

How do we improve shooter satisfaction with NSSA to increase consumption?

- Survey current membership regularly
- Post the entire SSR on the website
- Post videos taken at the World Shoot, Hall of Banquet, etc.

How do we retain the current number of registered clubs?

 Create a new "find a club" feature for our website to make it much easier for our members to find local club locations, hours of operations and contact information

How do we increase the number of registered shoots?

- Create a national calendar of registered skeet shooting events
- Provide on-line shoot registration and reporting

How do we market to clubs who do not participate in registered events?

• Create a "best practices" page for clubs to incorporate the sharing of ideas

How do we drive club satisfaction with NSSA to increase participation?

• Put an updated version of the NSSA Gun Club Manual on-line

The Committee wants to conduct additional analysis, to further refine their recommendations, and has requested they be involved with the Beta testing of the new website. The Association will begin working on the Committee's recommendations immediately, in conjunction with the new website implementation.

- Q. RULES AND CLASSIFICATIONS Meeting scheduled for February 16th with a full agenda.
- R. SKEET SHOOTING REVIEW We have received excellent feedback on readers' surveys over the months of September December, with a 32% response rate. Based upon the results, Todd Bender and King Heiple are the favorite columnists; Tom Ceretto's and Morris Gresham's articles were also well received, but had a higher percentage of "did not read". The majority of open-ended comments have been positive, while others have given constructive criticism. Gayle Teskey of MCA has provided some great suggestions to bring readers into the magazine by redesigning headers and renaming sections. We are on track for the Records Annual to be mailed in March.
- S. NATIONAL SPORTING CLAYS ASSOCIATION NSCA membership and targets continue to grow. The Advisory Council is meeting on the NSC grounds this weekend for their winter meeting, which will provide an excellent opportunity to interface with them. NSCA now has a point system in place for selecting their All-American teams, and are posting the points "race" on myNSCA throughout the shooting year. The NSCA Instructor Certification courses continue to be very popular and, are going very strong. The new dates for the National Championships after the World Shoot were well received by the shooters. This year's Nationals are currently scheduled for October 28th November 2nd.
- T. LEAGUE & SWEEPSTAKES Have received requests/questions from several clubs as the why NSSA no longer provides posters. This was due to low usage and the loss of sponsorship. Since interest has been expressed in reinstating the posters we will develop a poster at lower reasonable cost and make it available to our member clubs to promote their league shooting.
- U. MUSEUM Mike Brazzell and Jim Harris continue to do an outstanding job with the Museum and Hall of Fame. Recent projects completed include: new signs for Hall of Fame, Ray Boller and Past Presidents; relocation of Ray Boller pictures; update of NSCA Nationals trophies; "virtual tour" available on websites. Five new cabinets for additional displays were received last October, and five more in December. Fund raising is going very well... the coin program is turning a profit; the brick program is still running, but sales are slow; have received over \$25,000 in donations for the cabinets; the World Shoot and Sporting Clays Nationals raffles and parking space sales have brought in \$13,000. Raffles and parking space sales plans are in place for 2008.
- V. INSTRUCTOR CERTIFICATION In the past the Association has provided \$1,000 per Youth Camp. There are plans for five this year, and the camps have been well attended. A motion was made by Al Magyar, 2nd by Bob DeFrancesco, to approve \$1,000 each for up to five Youth Camps. Motion passed all in favor.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made by John Haugh, 2nd by Bob Myers to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 PM. The Executive Committee was in session from 8:35 AM until 7:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Gast, Secretary/Treasurer

Trish Magyar, Assistant Secretary