

O. P. T. A. Board Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, February 14, 2023, at 7:30 PM

Attendance: Pam Muma, Lori Cantelo, Beau Douglas, Bill Drikos, BJ Jackman, Emily Brown, Mathew Tyhurst, Peter Tsementzis, Ron Rowe.

Absent: Verne Higgs

Pam called the meeting to order at 7:33pm via Zoom conference call.

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes: Mathew made a motion to accept the January 10, 2022, meeting minutes. Ron seconded.
All in favour. Carried.

2. Business arising from Minutes

Provincials Updates

Trophies: Lori said that they are still working on the trophy package for the shoot. They have lots of ideas and will finalize things in the next little bit. She will update at the next meeting.

Targets: Pam emailed Bob Morphy and spoke to him recently. Darrell Dennis oversees ordering for St Thomas, and Pam will reach out to him when he returns from vacation.

Sponsorship: There is about \$18,000 committed from sponsors so far. About \$5,000 has been deposited. Blair Mott: \$5,500 this year, and hopefully \$6,000 in future years, using some of the money to offset the costs of our trophy package at the Provincials.

Paul Needham: \$4,000 to the shoot this year. Used to create an HAA Lewis, as well as a high score pool with the remaining \$1,500. After discussion, the board supported this use of the money.

Creamland Farms has donated \$1,000 this year. Thanks to Myles & BJ Jackman for their sponsorship.

Twin Creeks Shooting Preserve and Pat-Trap are also on board this year. Thank you to Terry Jordan for donating another Wall chart for our youth shooters.

Beau presented an added money structure detailing \$5,750 in prize money, \$3,250 in daily draw money, \$3,200 for our Champion of Champions, and \$5,800 in our HOA and HAA Lewis. There were no issues with it, and we will proceed under this structure for prize money moving forward.

Pre-squadding: It is set up on presquad.com. The board agrees that we will continue to charge for this service. It is priced in USD, and we will set the price at \$1.50USD/post to pre-squad for the Provincials.

Hall of Fame: Pam asked for discussion on our HOF nominees. Board members spoke in support of various nominees. Beau detailed the shooting careers of Ed Wilmott and Leonard Jones. Emily spoke at length in support of Doug Kurt, and his shooting career and contributions over many decades. Beau spoke in support of Jamie Caldwell, and his tenure as the owner of the Kippen Gun Club since 1978. After 2 rounds of voting, the board decided to induct Ed Wilmott in the Shooter category. After a vote, Jamie Caldwell was selected as our HOF inductee as a Contributor. Pam will contact each of the honourees soon to notify them of this recognition.

3. Monthly finances

Review of current year-to-date financial results:

Current bank balance is \$91,856. Lottery account balance is \$6,437. Latest installment of OCS funding (\$2486.43) has been deposited. Beau asked if we should take some money out of our account and invest in a GIC and keep around \$50,000 in the daily account. The board agreed to putting \$40,000 in a GIC. Beau will do this before our next meeting.

4. New business/Open Discussion

AIM Provincial Shoot: Beau asked the board if they would be willing to allow the AIM Provincial Shoot running concurrent to our OPTA Championships. Lori and others supported the idea. Beau thanked Peter for his willingness to host another Youth Shooting Clinic during the shoot. Peter will take the lead on it and recruit other shooters to work with our youth shooters.

Trap Chair Meeting: Pam asked for input on a potential agenda for our upcoming meeting on February 28. Various ideas were brought forward, and Pam asked Beau to create an agenda, while also allowing for open discussion and dialogue with our affiliate clubs. BJ said that the shoot schedule being pretty full is a good foundation for a positive year for everyone. Lori suggested that we approach the clubs and ask what we as an association can do to help them, as well as successful ideas that they can share with each other. Beau suggested we allow clubs to email shoot results in, as well as accept e-transfers from them as well. The board supported this idea.

OPTA Affiliate Clubs: Ron updated the board again on his dealings with Smith Falls and is excited to report that they have final approval from their club to throw registered targets this moving forward. Beau spoke with Bert Blackburn about getting Galt back shooting registered targets. He said the club would try and shoot some weeknight shoots this year.

Open Discussion: BJ presented the idea of revealing the HOF inductees for the following years at the current years AGM. It might allow for more lead time to arrange travel plans, as well as potentially increase attendance at our AGM. Peter stated that many other associations do this at their state shoot. Pam suggested that everyone take some time to think it through and discuss it at our next meeting.

5. Next meeting date – Tuesday, March 14, 2023, at 7:30 pm.

6. Adjournment: Peter made a motion to adjourn. Bill seconded. Pam adjourned the meeting at 8:09pm.

➤ Items on hold for future discussion –

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