

**O. P. T. A. Board Meeting Agenda**  
**Wednesday, May 11, 2022 at 7:30 PM**

Attendance: Bert Blackburn, Emily Brown, Beau Douglas, Verne Higgs, BJ Jackman, Pam Muma, Ron Rowe, Bill Drikos, Lori Cantelo

Absent: Peter Tsementzis

Bert called the meeting to order at 7:35pm via Zoom conference call.

1. 1. Approval of Meeting Minutes: Lori suggested an edit to the attendance of April 13 meeting. Bill made a motion to accept the April 13, 2022 meeting minutes with one edit. Pam seconded. *All in favour. Carried.*
2. Business arising from Minutes
  1. **Facebook/Website/Twitter:** Emily has caught a couple inappropriate posts on the Facebook group, and blocked the poster. OPTA Program is posted on website & Facebook page. Buy & Sell is also very active.
  2. **Trophy Update** – Lori said she has no update on old OPTA trophies. Ron said he approached the board at his club but they declined the opportunity to purchase them. Beau asked about the HAA trophies and Lori said she has it figured out as outlined. She will send another spreadsheet soon of the trophy package.
  3. **Sydenham/Claybird/Nipissing Shoot dates:** Bert said he was up at Sydenham for their range approval and provided some details about the club. They will be having a registered shoot on May 27. Claybird will start throwing Big 50s on 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays for the summer. Nipissing is throwing targets again as well.
  4. **OPTA Added Money/HGC Update:** We will have \$6300 in added money this year at the Provincial Shoot. Dan Gris has been working to make sure HGC has the lights set up for the Provincials. He will be meeting with Bob Morphy from St. Thomas to discuss their set-up. Beau has been talking with Winchester/Perazzi and other sponsors in terms of their promotions at the shoot. Pilla will have a booth. The program has been printed and will be mailed out shortly. Bert thanked Beau for his time spent in making the program, and Beau thanked Emily for her editing efforts.
3. **Monthly finances**
  1. **Review of current year-to-date financial results:** We received the cheque from the OCS and \$81,114 has been sent out to our active member clubs. \$6759.50 per club. The OPTA received \$3,219 as an admin fee, as per the agreement between the Provincial Government and the OCS. Beau said that all clubs have been very thankful for the funding from the OCS, especially Carl Hasson at Dresden Sportsmens Club, who was very happy to receive the cheque in person last week. A couple invoices have been paid but otherwise nothing of consequence has come up in our finances.
4. **New business/Open Discussion**
  1. **Board Members up for Re-election:** Ron, Emily, and BJ stated that they would be willing to carry on with the OPTA board. Bert has chosen not to continue with the board at the end of this term, after serving the OPTA since 2009. Lori thanked Bert for his service to the Board. Peter will declare his intentions at a later date.
  2. **Ladies Day at Galt:** Emily was part of a recent “Ladies Day” at Galt. There were 60 women there who were introduced to shooting sports. She thanked Phil for his donation of Canuck firearms for the event. There are also several events listed for the upcoming Range Day, which was also announced and presented to the House of Commons. Emily also detailed some information about the upcoming Bill C-71 legislation and how it impacts our target shooters.

**3. Upcoming Events:** Galt will be hosting an upcoming Ducks Unlimited shoot and asked if that could be posted for people to see. Emily also reminded everyone of the upcoming 140<sup>th</sup> anniversary banquet for the Hamilton Gun Club on May 28.

**4. HGC Shoot Reports:** Beau said he received the shoot report from the Hamilton Gun Club today for their 04/15 shoot. He wants to avoid situations where the clubs send their paperwork in late, and then are fined by the ATA, and can be forced to stop hosting shoots. He asked that we remind our shoot administrators to get the paperwork in ASAP after our registered shoots.

**5. Open Discussion:** Emily said there is a huge shortage of rental cars in Calgary. She also said that Dwight Smith has been ill and will likely miss the Canadians this year, which is unfortunate.

5. Next meeting date – Wednesday, June 8, 2022 at 7:30 pm.

6. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:04pm.

➤ Items on hold for future discussion –

- Strategic Plan
- Hall of Fame Building/Home Grounds