

TCHA Board Meeting, January 13-14, 2018, Kerrville, Texas

Meeting called to order at 1:06 pm. Bobby announced that Bill Titus was running late, but that he was on the way.

Roll Call:

Board Members Present: Bobby Clakley, Larry Patterson, Deb Wardlaw, Dean McCormick, Bill Titus, and Wallace Dunn.

Also Present: Cheryl Bunyard, Mollie Clakley, Boyd Grimes, David and Jamie Kidder.

Absent: Austin Davis, Larry Arnold.

Vacant: Seat held by Rob Lovelace.

Old Business:

The minutes from the July 15, 2017 and October 8, 2017 meeting were presented for approval by the board. The motion to approve was made by Larry Patterson, seconded by Dean McCormick, and the motion was approved.

Bobby introduced a guest, Mr. David Kidder. Mr. Kidder gave a presentation on his Defensive Pistol training. There was quite a bit of discussion on the class. Bill Titus arrived just as Mr. Kidder was wrapping up his presentation. There was discussion on arranging a training date for the board with Mr. Kidder, and having a Board Meeting around the training date. It was decided that a date would be set at the April BoD meeting.

10 minute break.

Bobby announced that the hotel would be offering 50% off the dinner for anyone that was going to eat at the restaurant this evening.

Boyd Grimes gave the Treasurer's Report. Bill Titus questioned the one entry that showed a transfer to Savings as a debit. There was discussion about the features of Quickbooks, and that we are not nearly using the program to full potential. We discussed Quickbooks.com and the features available on-line, and with access by multiple users.

The motion to approve (as amended) the Treasurers Report was made by Dean McCormick, and seconded by Deb Wardlaw. The motion was approved (as amended to reflect the change on the savings transfer).

After further discussion on Quickbooks features and online access there was a motion made by Dean McCormick that Bill Titus and Boyd Grimes would be approved to consult a Quickbooks expert and move our accounting to Quickbooks online. The motion was seconded by Larry Patterson. The motion carried.

Boyd Grimes presented information on the current CD we are invested in. Boyd was asked to find out about moving the CD to a different investment and to report back to the Board in April on his findings.

Mollie Clakley gave a report on current membership. As of this date there were 709 paid members. There was discussion about using the gun shows to get new members. Larry Patterson asked about the Membership Directory and access to the information about members that have not renewed. Bobby Clakley said he wants an approved Script so that when these former members are contacted, they are all hearing the same message. There was discussion about the form used for renewal.

New Business:

Law Enforcement Award. There was discussion about creating this award, and naming it for Sheriff Jim Wilson. Bobby said he would need to speak to the Sheriff to make sure that was OK with the Sheriff. There was discussion on creating the Award Criteria, nomination process, and the actual language of the award. The general consensus was this award was to be in recognition of "support" to the LTC /TXCHA community.

There was discussion about the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment Weekend event that TCHA has been invited to attend at the Cabela's in Buda, TX on Feb. 10-11. Bobby & Mollie, along with Dean McCormick's offer to help, will be manning the booth.

TCHA Weekly Shot. Mollie gave an update on changes with the Weekly Shot. The program was dropped by Multiview due to lack of advertising. Since then Mollie has taken over the preparation and publication of the Weekly Shot. The publication day has been changed from Monday to Thursday. We are now managing our ads internally. There was some discussion on the "MailChimp" program, its features and limitations.

There was some discussion on advertising fees. There was a motion to formalize the advertising fee as \$8 per week for the Weekly Shot. The motion was made by Dean McCormick, seconded by Larry Patterson, and the motion carried.

Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP). There was some discussion about the CMP and working together with our association. There was a motion to have Bobby call CMP and find out how we could work together in the future. The motion was made by Wallace Dunn, seconded by Dean McCormick, and the motion carried.

10 minute break.

There was some discussion about Church Security, the State requirements for signage, and the legalities of a private security force for a church.

NRA Grant Application. Bobby gave an update on the Grant application process. He reported that it looked like there was going to be "some" approval for the Steel Challenge. He was talking to John Lilly from the NRA. Bobby was going to report to the BoD as soon as he hears anything definite.

There was discussion about working with other gun groups in Texas to further our association reach. Several groups were mentioned: TSRA and their Leg. Rep. Mike Cox, the NRA, A Girl and a Gun, and Daughters of the Range. There was discussion about forming a forum on gun legislation, so that we could approach the Legislature with one voice.

Steel Shoot. There was discussion about doing a steel shoot at Jack Burch's range in Kerrville, Texas. Deb Wardlaw was going to contact him about dates and logistics.

Training Materials and Publications. There was some discussion about a question brought up by Austin Davis about pricing on materials for Board Members. There was a motion made to charge Board Members "at cost" for training materials and merchandise. The motion was made by Bill Titus, seconded by Dean McCormick. The motion carried, with Larry Patterson abstaining.

Boyd Grimes suggested that the Board consider offering Austin Davis an Officer position at the end of his term as a Board member. Bobby Clakley said he would be bringing this up with Austin Davis.

The TCHA Journal. There was discussion that we needed to find an Editor for the Journal. Mollie suggested that each Board member write an article or find an article and get approval to publish.

Go to Meeting. There was discussion about using this program for our future meetings online. There was a motion made to approve the purchase of this program. The motion was made by Dean McCormick, seconded by Deb Wardlaw, and the motion carried.

Guns for Raffle. There was a report on the guns available for raffle. There was discussion on which guns would be used for the April training conference and which ones would be held for raffles.

These are the guns currently on hand:

- Just Right Carbine 9mm
- Lady Chic .38
- CZ P07 semi auto 9mm
- CZ .22 rifle
- CZ 12 ga. Shotgun
- 2 Glock certificates (+1 donated Glock certificate that has not been received)
- Possibility of 2 guns from Bond Arms.

After further discussion it was agreed that these 3 guns would be in the Three Gun Raffle for the conference in April: Lady Chic .38, Glock Certificate, and the CZ .22 Rifle.

There was some discussion on whether Board members can buy raffle tickets for the guns. There was a suggestion that this be brought up to the general membership meeting, so that everything is out in the open. If the members approve it, then it's OK.

The meeting was called to recess at 5:47 pm.

The meeting reconvened at 8:38 am on Jan. 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

Board Members Present: Bobby Clakley, Larry Patterson, Deb Wardlaw, Dean McCormick, Bill Titus, and Wallace Dunn.

Also Present: Cheryl Bunyard, Mollie Clakley, and Boyd Grimes.

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Final Planning for the 2018 Conference.

There was discussion that each Director will need to donate \$75 or the equivalent for silent auction and bingo prizes for the conference.

Director's Election. Dean McCormick volunteered to conduct the election of new Board members. There are 3 members with expiration in 2018: Larry Arnold, Bobby Clakley, and Austin Davis. In addition the seat vacated by Rob Lovelace has an expiration date of 2020. There was discussion that we need to make the Journal Editor an officer position and fill that position.

TCHA store. Dean McCormick and Deb Wardlaw will man the TCHA store during the conference.

Budget 2018. Larry Patterson gave a report on the budget for 2018. There was discussion about using Quickbooks Payroll features for paychecks instead of the current method. There was a motion made for Larry Patterson and Boyd Grimes to work together to research the costs involved in making this change. The motion was made by Wallace Dunn, seconded by Deb Wardlaw, and the motion carried.

There was further discussion about the way we currently do our budget. Bill Titus suggested that we use the "items" feature available in Quickbooks for more detailed information in our budgeting process.

There was a motion made to adopt the budget as presented by Larry Patterson. The motion was made by Bill Titus, seconded by Wallace Dunn, and the motion carried.

There was discussion on the cost of preparing the Journal. Mollie explained the 4 page requirement for any changes. There was discussion about encouraging existing members to take the electronic version instead of the printed version. New members would not be given the option for a printed version, unless they specifically ask for it.

10 minute break.

Bobby mentioned that we really REALLY need donations and vendors for the April conference.

Larry Patterson gave a presentation on Lapel Pins, different manufacturers, and costs. There was a motion made that Larry Patterson would work with and report to the Executive Committee to get these pins made in time for the conference. The motion was made by Wallace Dunn, seconded by Bill Titus, and the motion carried.

Membership Dues. There was some discussion about our current membership dues, and potential changes. There was a motion made to create a new Veteran membership at the rate of \$25 per year. The motion was made by Deb Wardlaw, seconded by Wallace Dunn, and the motion carried.

There was discussion about creating a new Life Member for Veterans. After some discussion it was agreed that no further action would be taken at this time.

Larry talked about the paper certificates to be presented to Life Members, and also Appreciation Awards to be given to Staff and Volunteers at the conference in April.

Marketing and Internet Marketing. There was some discussion on how to better market the Association on the Internet. It was mentioned to ask about "swapping" links on any other gun sites. We would promote their page if they promote our page. Bill Titus suggested consulting with a "media expert." Mollie Clakley mentioned about College Marketing programs and perhaps having a student take on TCHA as a class project.

Shirts and Hats. Larry Patterson showed several different shirts and hats, along with their costs. Larry was asked to get a cost on a shirt with a pocket, and to report to the Executive Committee his findings.

Sheriff Jim Wilson Award. Mollie Clakley gave a short presentation on her work with the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress to show how they award and administer their Martin E. Grimes annual award. The thought is we could copy a lot of how they do things and make it easier to get started with our LEO award.

10 min break.

Larry Patterson gave a presentation on the current Bylaws and suggested changes and edits to the bylaws. It was agreed to present the changes to the general membership meeting in April for approval. A few of the major changes were to change CHL to LTC, change the required meeting times, change the quorum to 50% for BoD meetings. There was further discussion that each officer position needs a job description.

Conduct of Meeting. Bill Titus gave a presentation on his idea for leadership development training for the Board of Directors. He explained the difference between task and relational development. He said we should spend time developing as a board vs. planning for the next meeting. Bill gave several examples of how we should be reaching out to current members to develop them to be leaders in this association. After discussion it was agreed that we should pursue a training date and location for this type of leadership development training. Deb Wardlaw and Cheryl Bunyard will work together to find a venue and propose some dates to the BoD.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:29 pm. Motion to adjourn was made by Dean McCormick, seconded by Wallace Dunn, and the motion carried.