

Alaska Gun Collectors Association, Inc
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
21 August 2007

1. The meeting was called to order by President Ross at 1901 hours upon determination of a quorum. Present were Robert Hall, Jim Killeen, Joe Koss, Garry Lodoen, Tasha Meyer, Hartley Meyer, Doug Norman, Ken Overvold, Paul Palinski, Greg Ross, Wayne Ross, Warren Taylor, Roger Wakelam and Dwight Walker. Suellyn Novak and Don Rogers were excused. Troy Crow, CW Floyd, Jack Murray, Don Rousseau and Brenda Smart were absent. Members Jeanne Palinski, Marie Williams and Steve Cuin were also present.

2. Minutes from the 17 July 2007 meeting were then considered. Gary Lodoen moved to accept, with second from Hartley Meyer. The vote to approve was unanimous, but for the BPMNV¹.

3. Robert Hall presented the treasurer's report: We have \$15,259.98 in the general account, and haven't yet paid for advertising for the show—that should be around \$5,000. There is \$1,550.35 in the Youth Day account, with one bill outstanding for \$200 to \$300. Don Rogers has the gaming account records, and there is no report for that, but display awards came from the gaming account for the last show. Doug Norman moved to accept the report, with second from Hartley Meyer. Approved; BPMNV.

4. Suellyn Novak was not present, and there was no historian's report.

5. Old Business: Gun Show:

a. Gary Lodoen reported on results of the last gun show. We had revenues of \$26,533, including the banquet, and expenses of \$29,610. This resulted in a paper loss of \$3,077, because expenses include purchase of items that we will sell to members over the next few gun shows. The expenses do not include the display awards, since they were paid from gaming funds. This show was more expenses than most, since we had some unique expenses [including an outside speaker and table covers], and there was light attendance, yet it was still an effective show and, with adjustment for inventory, a success. The board formally thanked Marie Williams for her efforts to ensure a successful banquet.

b. Ken Overvold noted that timing is important—we inherited dates that were not the best, and we can do better when scheduling them ourselves. He said that the Sullivan Arena management wants us there; per Joe Wooding, he can save us some money if we can schedule a year out. The question is whether or not we keep the summer show.

c.] Tasha Meyer said that important decisions, such as table rates and show dates, should be put to a membership vote. President Ross appointed Tasha to work with Gary Lodoen in drafting a letter to the membership on this. Per Gary, Warren Taylor will help. The members will decide whether or not we should continue to have a summer show. With time so short [particularly given Ken's comments above], can we do this by email?

¹ Beecher Pierce Memorial Negative Vote.

d.] Ken Overvold moved to have a summer show in 2008, and Doug Norman seconded. Doug said that we should determine the pros and cons of a summer show. Wayne Ross said that plusses include a good facility price, good parking that we can continue to offer for free, an Anchorage venue, the potential for long-term advertising, and tourist interest. Steve Cuin asked if there were any tourists at the show; there were. Gary Lodoen and Roger Wakelam each commented on the personnel problem—volunteer burnout is faster with three shows, and staffing shows adequately is our biggest problem. Tasha Meyer said that is a major reason for a membership vote. Paul Palinski asked if ATC(M) will help with future shows. Barry said that it would—if for no other reason, they want the display venue. [The membership vote will be conducted, and will decide finally, but, for planning purposes, the board must decide now.] The vote to have a 2008 summer show passed by one vote.

e. Gary Lodoen said that the show committee can address the problems, and can get input from members and vendors at the 14 October membership meeting.

f. Ken Overvold said that the Sullivan Arena has a lounge area that is large enough for a membership meeting, if we want to hold one during a summer show.

g. Roger Wakelam reported a tie for Best in Show, with an attendant doubled prize amount. The winning displays were Don Kitchen's nicely restored M3 Scout Car and Joe Koss' 21 Gun Salute to AGCA, with 21 long arms from 1866 to present, with the related ammunition and ammunition boxes. The prize to each was \$1,000.

6. New business:

a. Fall show:

[1] Table rentals are at 45%. Jeanne Palinski said that she is willing to call past vendors again to get them to sign for the show. The fall table rate is \$55 per table.

[2] Tasha Meyer said that the AOC and Hunter Heritage have a table at the fair, and gun show material can go on their table.

[3] Eagle River Arctic Cat is happy with the results of the summer show and is on board with us from now on. Their advertising assistance is welcome.

b. Greg Ross asked if we have an email data base, and if that can be used to get information to members. We have only a partial listing of email addresses, and no cohesive data base, though it would be nice to have one. At present, we have no easy means of building a data base.

c. The Dallas Arms Collectors are interested in attending another collectors seminar in Alaska. Do we want to have one in 2009? Something for the membership meeting agenda?

d. Thanks to Jeanne Palinski for her baking skills.

e. The next meeting will be on 18 September at the FOAST museum.

7. There being no further business to conduct, Paul Palinski moved to adjourn, and Jim Killeen seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 1950 hours.

Joseph P Koss, Jr
Secretary

Alaska Gun Collectors Association
Board of Directors Meeting² Agenda
18 September 2007

1. Call to order
2. Minutes
3. Treasurer's report
4. Historian's report
5. Old business:
 - a. Gun show
 - b. Other
6. New business:
 - a. Gun show
 - [1] Facilities
 - [2] Staffing
 - [3] Advertising
 - b. Youth Day
 - c. NRA Gun Collectors Seminar in 2009
 - d. Other
7. Adjourn

² Meetings are open to all members and are held at the FOAST Museum, 245 West Fifth Avenue Suite 113, Anchorage, Alaska 99501, at 1900 on the third Tuesday of the month.