

**MINUTES OF ZONE 4 SKEET ASSN. ANNUAL MEETING
FOREST CITY GUN CLUB SAVANNAH, GA
FRIDAY, AUGUST 13, 2004**

1. A quorum was present and Bill Murrell, Zone 4 President, called the meeting to order at 1:50PM, thanking those present for making the effort to attend. He acknowledged that the shoot attendance was being impacted by the 2 hurricanes that were an immediate threat to Florida, Georgia and the Carolina coastal regions.
2. Roll Call was taken:

PRESENT: Bill Murrell, President, T.D. Berkes, Sec/Treas.; Current Directors Bill Perry, Cecil Davenport, Lee Tucker, Ken Keth, Rod Stroman, Allen McCannon, Joe Solsona; Incoming Directors Jimmie Smith (who had the proxy for Luke Deshotels), Barry Rich, Rex Lewis, Steve Shackelford. Also present were Gene Duncan, manager, Forest City Gun Club and Louise Terry, NSSA Sec/Treasurer.

ABSENT: Dusty Rhodes, Vice-president, Frank Ehnle, Charles Tucker, Tom Lause, Robert Mooney, Jim Carver, Tildon Downing, Alex Hopkins, Jorge Coombs, Eduardo Munez, Luke Deshotels, Allen Morrison.

3. Approval of Minutes: Motion by Bill Perry, second by T.D.Berkes to approve the Minutes of the January 24, 2004 winter conference call as distributed. Approved unanimously.
4. Officers' Reports:

T.D. Berkes reported that, coming into this shoot and prior to the hurricane situation, the Zone had a value of \$ 43,300 in our CD and approximately \$ 13,300 in our checking account. This amount included \$ 5100 of paid ads and sponsorship already collected for this year's Zone shoot printed program. There were still several ads whose payment were outstanding and need to be collected. All of the Zone shoot expenses (including shoot caps and shirts) have yet to be paid out. Given that we have over \$ 15,000 in fixed expenses for the Zone shoot, we know there will be an impact to our balances because of the hurricanes.....we project we are off at least 100 shooters who canceled because of the severe weather. Motion by Bill Perry, second by Lee Tucker to approve the financial report. Motion passed unanimously.

Bill Murrell thanked T.D. and Theresa Berkes for all of their efforts getting everything (buckles, trophies, plaques, medals, medallions, certificates, etc., etc.) ordered, engraved and ready for the shoot, as well as doing the printed program. T.D. has agreed to continue to be responsible for creating the printed program and getting it ready to mail out in the future. Thanks, T.D. !!

Bill also thanked Joe Solsona for being responsible again for the Saturday night party and noted that we will wait until the last possible minute to get a head count for the food so we don't spend additional money on food and drinks for people who don't attend.

5. Elections:

For position of Zone Secretary/Treasurer: T.D.Berkes nominated Barry Rich from TN. Second by Allen McCannon. Approved unanimously.

For position of Zone Vice-president : Lee Tucker nominated Ken Keth from FL. Second by T.D. Berkes. Approved unanimously.

For position of Zone President: Allen McCannon nominated Bill Murrell. Second by Joe Solsona. Approved unanimously.

6. Old Business:

Ken Keth reviewed the new Zone 4 Referee of the Year award that will be implemented starting this year, if nominations are submitted and approved. The forms and the submission/approval process are posted on the Zone web site and are downloadable. The first award would be announced and awarded at the 2005 Zone shoot based on 2004 activity.

7. New Business:

Due to the hurricane situation, Bill Murrell asked for a discussion to reach a consensus on how we should handle refunds for deposits for people who canceled late due to the storms, as well as people who entered and then withdrew to go home due to the storms. Even though the program clearly states there will be no refunds due to weather, it was agreed this was an extraordinary circumstance. The discussion centered around the tradeoff between the right thing to do for our shooters, balanced by the fact that the Zone did encounter significant fixed expenses for the shoot, as well as for the shirts and caps. It was also noted that FCGC had additional expenses for renting traps for the back row based on our projections for the shoot, which now were not going to be used due to the reduced numbers attending; and the club's target revenue will be down significantly also. [Note: We were able to run the entire shoot using the front row of fields only.]

After a lengthy discussion, it was decided that a letter would be sent to all shooters affected by this situation to explain that:

1. If they had paid a 2004 deposit and then were unable to attend due to the storms, their deposit would be "rolled" to apply to their entry for the 2005 Zone Shoot. This motion was made by Allen McCannon, seconded by T.D.Berkes, and approved unanimously.

2. If they had entered to shoot the 2004 Zone shoot and then withdrew because of the storms, they would receive a refund check for their entry, minus their deposit, which would be rolled to the 2005 shoot. This motion was made by Allen McCannon and seconded by T.D.Berkes, and approved unanimously.

Location of 2005 Zone Shoot

Written proposals for hosting the 2005 shoot had been solicited from both Forest City Gun Club and Tom Lowe Shooting Center in Atlanta. Jimmie Smith presented a written proposal from Luke Deshotels for the Atlanta club at \$.10/target cost. There was no written proposal available from Forest City. Gene Duncan said that their cost would be at least \$.15/ target and could possibly include other financial considerations, given that they expected to lose money on this year's shoot. A roll call vote was taken: 6 for Atlanta, 3 for Savannah. **The 2005 Zone shoot will be held at Tom Lowe Shooting Center in Atlanta on August 12-14, 2005.**

8. Having completed the business at hand, the meeting was adjourned at 3:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise K. Terry