

LASC Monthly Board Meeting Minutes
1/9/2014

Call to Order: 6:30 pm

Pledge of Allegiance: Recording Secretary, *Dick Martin*, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Last Month's Minutes: Normally, the minutes from *the last meeting* are approved by vote at the next meeting.

Next Monthly Board Meeting (First Thursday): The next meeting will be on *February 6* starting at 6:30 pm at the Baptist Church in Los Alamos. It will be the Annual Membership Meeting.

Board Members Present: Curtis Benham, Abe Chavez, Gary Elion, Mike Grimler, Stan Hayes, Ken Laintz, Dick Martin, Steve McKelvey, Dale Melton, Shane Norman, Mike O'Neill, Mell Smithour

(Note that our bylaws stipulate that the Past President and Section Chairs appointed by the President also serve as Board members.)

Other Persons Present: Chris Luchini, Chris Luster, Ryan Stothard

The full **calendar of events and training** opportunities are on the LASC web page:

<http://www.la-sc.org/>

New Member Orientation (Usually First Sunday of Each Month at 12 Noon):

The orientation for next month will be on
February 9 (Second Sunday – One Time Only) at 12 Noon
Orientation is usually conducted by Orientation Coordinator:
Curtis (and Kay) Benham

Orientation usually runs about one hour. (See the LASC web page for contact and new member information, including fees, work credit program, and orientation documents.) New member badging and pro-rated fee collection takes place at the same time. We avoid impromptu or ad hoc new member orientations.

New members will be asked to download the LASC member handbook (http://www.la-sc.org/newmember/members_handbook.pdf) and safety manual (<http://www.la-sc.org/safety/index.shtml>). There are reference copies in the clubhouse.

New Member Fees: The pro-rata fee table can be located at the LASC web site at <http://www.la-sc.org/newmember/index.shtml#orientation>

For annual renewals (on April 1 of each year), a member (who is also an NRA member) can deduct \$60 if they have accumulated 6 hours of work credit (at \$10/hour) from the current annual fee of \$132, leaving an annual cost of \$72. The work credit program is explained on the LASC web site at <http://www.la-sc.org/workcredit/index.shtml>.

LASC Officer Reports:

President (Stan Hayes): Stan ran the meeting.

Vice President (Steve McKelvey): See below.

Treasurer (Gary Elion): Gary provided the 2013 financials with a comparison to 2012.

REMINDER: LASC Treasurer Gary Elion needs cooperation so that the treasury function, book keeping, and IRS reporting can run smoothly. The Board asks that anyone who makes LASC Board approved expenditures or deposits on behalf of LASC to be sure to notify Gary and include your name, date, amount, and purpose of the transaction. For deposits, please also include this information on the face of the deposit slip. Please send all financial information to Gary by e-mail, regular mail, or leave a phone message.

Thanks to all for this in advance. Gary's contact information follows.

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Recording Secretary (Dick Martin): No issues. The LASC Board minutes for each month are posted on the LASC web site in the "Contacts" section under "Board Meeting Minutes."

Membership Secretary (Curtis Benham): The February orientation will be second Sunday at 10 am unless otherwise announced. Normally, it will be on the first Sunday.

At Large Officers: (Ken Laintz, Mike O'Neill, and Mell Smithour): See below. Ken reported that in the State Legislature, House Bill 44, recently introduced, is "the new 77."

Section Chair Reports: (Reminder) As always, the Club expects Section Chairs to maintain a list of tasks/projects to be done at the ranges to support their section during spring and fall work/cleanup days. These lists should be e-mailed to Stan and Steve.

Pistol (Shane Norman): Shane was introduced to the rest of the Board.

Rifle (Mell Smithour): Things are good on the rifle ranges.

Shotgun (Abe Chavez): Abe reported on shotgun income. Abe asked about support bunker trap? There's a can but never any money. Someone is using it but not paying. The Board recommended changing the combination on the bunker trap.

Archery (Jeff Fredenburg): Not present.

Training (Mike Grimler): See the LASC calendar for Mike's upcoming courses.

House and Grounds (Dale Melton): Things are okay.

Bulletin Editor (Vacant): Position needs to be filled.

Hunter Education and Youth Programs (Mike O'Neill): A Junior Olympic small bore (air rifle) qualifier was held at the Club. Our youth got 8 of the 12 medals! The Hunter Ed class at end of this month is full. More youth High School and 4H classes and events are scheduled through October! NM Fish and Game may provide ammunition to the program. The upcoming (see calendar) basic shotgun class is the NRA course.

Chris Luchini: The youth pistol program has been suspended until March. Stan says that we need more information and publicity about our classes. Steve McK says that the calendar is open to everyone for posting classes and events. Chris Luchini will write up descriptions for the various classes. Our bunker traps are archaic.

Old Business:

1. LASC Annual Banquet. Our date is approved by the LA Baptist church for February 6, 2014, the first Thursday. Curtis spoke on set-ups for the annual meeting. This year we will try using posters/displays for the various sub-sections instead of (excessive, boring) oral reports.

2. LASC By-Laws. Stan is working on by-law revisions/updates. One topic lacking now is the protocol for revoking a membership for cause. Also, we probably want to shift/stagger renewal time so that it does not coincide with elections (annual meeting).

3. IDPA Progress. Ryan Stothard conducted an annual IDPA classifier. He talked to Tom Farish to coordinate space requirements and exchange. The space adjustments will occur in a move on March 15. Ryan talked to Chris Luchini about purchasing the old pepper poppers. Months ago Ryan presented a detailed proposal to procure new poppers from MGM steel as well as other needed IDPA supplies/upgrades.

A motion to approve \$1666 (per Ryan's proposal) for IDPA steel was passed by the Board.

New Business:

1. LASC Training. Mike G is working on becoming an NRA training counselor. This is the program to train instructor/counselors who can train and certify NRA instructors. He proposed to attend a two-day course in Denver in September 2104. The course fee is \$600. A motion was made to reimburse Mike for the course fee and it was approved by the Board.

Mike was going to arrange to perform fingerprinting services. Unfortunately, this won't work because it needs a "store front." Mike talked to Lou Santoro (State Farm) about doing this. Now the finger printing is done electronically instead of manually.

2. Pistol Range Improvements. Chris Luster reported on upcoming projects. One project involves drainage from the pistol pits. Steve McK recommends additional crushed concrete. Chris could do Advanced Drainage Systems (ADS) drains.

Another issue is the 50-yard knee berm on the bulls-eye range and ricochets. This will be evaluated and fixed. The 20-foot ConEx needs to be raised and leveled because of ice build-up. Ryan says the roof leaks on that ConEx. We are requesting gravel over the whole first 20 yards on the bulls-eye pistol range.

3. Weed Control. Steve McK reminded the Board about our problem with dry weeds as a fire hazard. We need weed control by the last week in April. This is in anticipation of fire control inspections in the dry season. Chris Luster will bring some geotextile fabric to prevent weed growth in areas where dirt is moved or crushed concrete is laid down.

Meeting Adjourned at approximately 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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