

Minutes of the Board of Directors

Texas Concealed Handgun Association

July 28-29, 2012

Rick Mackey called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. The following board members were present on July 28-29, 2012: Rick Mackey, George Pena, Larry Arnold, Bill Titus, Ron Ryle, Chris Bird, Austin Davis, and Erwin Ballarta.

Board members not attending: Larry Fielle.

Officers attending: Bobby Clakley and Dean McCormick.

TCHA member attending: Dan Griffin.

Old Business

The minutes of the TCHA board held April 28, 2012 were reviewed and approved by the board.

New Business

The next Board meeting is a teleconference on October 27, 2012 at 10:00A.M.

The next live Board meeting is on January 12 2013 in Georgetown at the La Quinta Inn to begin at 9:00 A.M. This is a day meeting only.

Treasurer's Report

Action- Ron Ryle reported that the association is fluid and in good shape. He stated the TCHA has met all of its financial obligations and debt has been reduced by improved methods of merchandise management.

Action- Ron will receive all TCHA incoming mail, both membership and merchandise allowing for enhanced bookkeeping. After documentation, he will forward the correspondence to the appropriate board member for processing.

Dean McCormick reported that the CHL Instructor class sales are going well and that while he will be able to bring the merchandise to the training on August 26, 2012 he cannot man the sales table because he will be a student in the Instructor course.

Dean suggested that if a client signs up for a three year membership, they be awarded a shirt. [any action taken?]

Dean discussed a possible TCHA approved training pamphlet covering Basic Handgun training and made a request for a board member to review, edit the content, and make recommendations. Larry Arnold accepted the request.

Action- Dean raised the question and made the motion that the TCHA have a presence at the upcoming NRA conference to be held in Dallas. The motion was 2nd by Rick Mackey and motion carried.

Action- Chris Bird was tasked with finding out who is the NRA contact for acquiring a space for the conference and making contact with the Laser Shot team for a possible booth partnership.

Membership

Bill Titus reports that TCHA membership continues to increase and the database has been restored after a complete meltdown. He reported that the old association laptop is dead and will not respond. Bill stated that he would like a new computer dedicated to membership only.

Action- Larry Arnold made a motion to buy a new membership computer, motion was 2nd by Chris Bird, and the motion carried.

Round Table Discussion and Possible Actions to be Taken

Chris Bird reported that he will be going sailing within the near future for what could be a couple of years, but will continue to edit the newsletter for a time.

Action- Larry Arnold requested guidance on who to send the Weekly Shot to for content approval. Rick Mackey stated that the information shall be forwarded to him.

Larry Arnold provided the Board with copies of product pricing order forms to validate the correctness and make changes if necessary

Action TCHA member Dan Griffin made the request to reword the existing paragraph on the TCHA membership application. Rick Mackey approved the request.

George Pena reported that this year the conference keynote speaker will be Sheriff Jim Wilson and that we will have a panel of four prominent individuals for a discussion on “After the Shooting” and how this relates to concealed carry.

George stated that he requires three large plaques with only the TCHA logo on them. Ron Ryle was informed of the plaque request.

Action- George made the statement that Dean McCormick has been selected as the TCHA official photographer. Dean accepted.

George reported that we will raffle off Bill Davidson’s Tact Pro certificates this year

George stated that he is working with Jack from the gun range on weapons and the possibility of a one day summer shoot. **[Need guidance on this?]**

Bill Titus opened a discussion on where the TCHA is headed. He suggested that in the next newsletter, we ask the membership “How or what can we do better?”.

Bobby Clakley brought up the idea of creating a new subject matter expert training program designed to enhance member skills during the conference. The TCHA will provide certificates; thereby creating a path to advancement in TCHA certification levels.

Action- Rick Mackey and George Pena approved the certification idea, the board agreed, and tasked Austin Davis, Erwin Ballarta, and Bobby Clakley with implementing a course of action by this year's conference.

Action- Rick Mackey stated that the TCHA will not endorse a specific politician.

TCHA Board meeting adjourned by Rick Mackey, 2nd by George Pena, and motion carried at 11:07 a.m. on July 29, 2012.

Bobby Clakley
Recording Secretary