

**Pima Pistol Club
Board of Directors
March Monthly Meeting Minutes**

The March meeting of the Pima Pistol Club Board of Directors, Inc. was held March 21st, 2023, at 6:00 PM at Pima Pistol Club.

- 1. Call to Order by President Bill Throne at 6:00 pm**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3. Roll Call of the Board to establish a quorum –**
 - a. Bill Throne, President – present
 - b. Dave Burton, Vice President – present
 - c. Kathy Swan, Secretary – present
 - d. Chelsi Remme, Treasurer – present
 - e. Justin Burke, Board Member – absent excused
 - f. Rick Cunnington, Board Member – present
 - g. Jack Foster, Board Member – present
 - h. Chris Galios, Board Member – present
 - i. Darrell Murray, Board Member – present

- 4. Approval of Minutes of preceding meetings**
 - a. February BOD Meeting 2/14/2023
Motion to accept the February minutes made by Jack Foster and seconded by Chelsi Remme. The motion was approved.

- 5. Secretary’s Report – Kathy Swan**
 - a. Member Report as of February 28th
 - i. Total Members – 1316
 - ii. Regular Members – 475
 - iii. Associate Members – 841
 - iv. Current User Groups – 27
 - v. New Associate Members in February – 21

 - b. Acceptance of new members in February
List attached to Board Members agenda

Motion to accept New Associate Members made by Rick Cunnington and Seconded by Dave Burton. The Motion was approved.

 - c. Acceptance of Associate Members to Regular Members
List attached to Board Members Agenda

Motion to accept New Regular Members made by Chelsi Remme and Seconded by Bill Throne. The Motion was approved.

 - d. Proposed Event
Straight Shooters Youth Shooting Team Level 1 Pistol Coach Class
Requesting a weekend in April date TBD for classroom Saturday 7:50 AM – 12:00 PM and Sunday 7:50 AM – 4:30 PM
Requesting Range 9 Saturday 1:00 PM – 4:30 PM

They are requesting a waiver of fees to support youth shooting. This has been granted in the past.

Motion to accept/approve the Application for Straight Shooters Level 1 Pistol Coach Class made by Chelsi Remme and Seconded by Bill Throne. The Motion was approved.

Motion to accept the Secretary's Report made by Jack Foster and Seconded by Chris Galios. The Motion was approved.

6. Treasurer's Report – Chelsi Remme

- a. Wells Fargo Account Balance as of 2/28/2023 – \$256,737.58

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report made by Darrell Murray and Seconded by Dave Burton. The Motion was approved.

7. Range Operation Report – Andy Law

- a. Closures - in the past 10 months we have been closed 41 days by my count. Averaging over the year daily income is \$985 so the closures cost \$40,385 in gross sales.
- b. Tax return breakdown of credits due to flood and quarterly payment info – We will be getting a Federal tax refund of \$25,665 and a State refund of \$6,181 for a total of \$31,846. In short, about \$20k is depreciation from the flood and rest over payment of quarterlies due to loss of profit (quarterlies are estimated based on estimated profit).
- c. Expenses upcoming and just issued are approximately \$30k plus normal expenses. Due to our loss of income and these expenses, we will reduce the bank account to approximately \$210,000. Of this \$180,000 is the emergency operating fund and subtracting that leaves approximately \$30,000 for day-to-day and discretionary spending. See separate sheet for extraordinary expenses. I strongly recommend from a business point of view that no capital expenses or non-budgeted expenses be approved unless necessary for day-to-day operations until we reach normalcy in a couple of months.
- d. Tree removal is delayed until the wash dries.
- e. The new front gate is installed.
- f. Status for awnings R9 & 10 – still planning on late April/early May completion.

Motion to accept the Range Operation Report made by Dave Burton and Seconded by Rick Cunningham. The Motion was approved.

8. Vice-President's Report – David Burton

- a. Desert Sky range repair – Desert Sky Excavating has submitted a proposal for grading and repair of 15 ranges and range drive around the property. This also includes installing "french drains" in ranges 3 and 4. The estimated total cost is \$43,705.

**Motion to accept the Desert Sky proposal made by Chris Galios and seconded by Dave Burton. The Motion was approved.
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- b. Proposed Event: Spartan Tactical Training November 4-9.
This will be self defense oriented training, not competition, so it should have a wide appeal to all PPC members. There will be 3 training classes – Basic defensive handgun, intermediate defensive handgun and a “Stop the Bleed” class. Each course will be capped at 20 students, open to PPC members first, and open to non-members if it is not filled by members. They will require one range for 4 days as well as 2 days classroom. The range fee will be \$300 per day for a total of \$1,200. They will provide all equipment and administration.

Motion to approve the Spartan Tactical Training event made by Chelsi Remme and seconded by Chris Galios. The Motion was approved.

- c. At grade crossing – There were three options for addressing the problems with the wash crossing: 1) a bridge – would be too expensive (millions of \$) and probably would not be approved by the county, 2) a culvert system – the flow rate is too high, 3) an at-grade crossing which involves a concrete base with deep footers. This one has been used successfully in many locations including several across the same wash north of PPC and in Saddlebrook. The first step will be to get a site specific analysis by engineers, followed by permitting by Pima County (the permitting will be free of charge). At this time we will proceed with getting quotes from three different engineering firms for the analysis.
- d. Range Safety Manual – The Range Safety Manual has been completed and reviewed by the BOD. It will be posted on the website after this meeting and member comments are welcome. Safety videos for each range will be completed next.
- e. We are looking into ideas for additional revenue from sales of t-shirts, hats, etc. It was suggested that we look into on-line 3rd party facilitators such as T-Spring for this.
- f. For those wishing to move some of the meetings to another location, Fork & Fire has agreed to give us a private area which is large enough and we could order food/drink.

Motion to accept the Vice-President’s Report made by Chelsi Remme and seconded by Chris Galios. The Motion was approved.

9. President’s Report – Bill Throne

- a. Change to Article XI By Laws. The April 11th meeting to vote on the change will be at Casas Church, Palo Verde Building
10801 N La Cholla Blvd, Tucson, AZ 85742
- b. Rob Lisak will be given the job of webmaster. It will be as a contractor in addition to his employee status as Range Safety Officer. Rob gave a presentation showing the usage statistics for the new website.

- c. Members who were unable to renew in February/March due to the range closures will be given an additional month on their membership upon renewal.
- d. We are having trouble getting estimates for painting the buildings. None of the companies contacted are responding with quotes, we will continue trying.

Motion to accept the President’s Report made by Chelsi Remme and Seconded by Chris Galios. The Motion was approved.

**10. Committee Reports –
By Laws Committee – Kathy Swan**

We do have a draft document, however the full committee has not been able to have an in-person meeting to review it due to range closures, sickness, people out of town, etc. Once this has been done we can present the draft document. These changes can be presented to the membership following the standard protocol after the vote on the electronic voting issue.

11. Old Business –

12. New Business -

13. Member Input -

Jim Schechter questioned the rule preventing rifle shooting from the bench on ranges 3 and 4. Handguns are allowed to shoot from the bench, but rifles are not. It is not allowed to shoot from the bench but OK to stand in front of the bench and shoot. What is the rationale? He is asking that the rule be changed or removed. Part of the issue is target placement and ricochets onto the back ranges, another issue is the lack of a barrier between ranges 3 and 4 by the conex boxes and the fact that people can be down range on one range and shooting from the bench on the other. Andy said we have some extra Hesco barriers that could be moved into these gaps. Once that is done the rule can be changed.

Jeff Shi wanted to encourage members to think about what we can do to encourage protection of the 2nd Amendment and shooting sports in Arizona. While the By Laws disallow political activities at the club, it was agreed that placing AZCDL's logo on the website along with the NRA logo which is already there should not be a problem.

Bob Molnar wanted to know if it would be OK to bring a member who is not certified for the action shooting ranges (6 and 8) with him to practice at these dedicated ranges as a way to introduce them to the action shooting sports. It was agreed that the rules restricting who can shoot at these two ranges should stay as is. Any of the ranges 3-5 have the equipment available to accomplish what Bob requested.

14. Meeting Adjourned – 7:40 pm

Motion to Adjourn meeting made by Chelsi Remme and Seconded by Dave Burton. The Motion was approved.