

Minutes  
NCAC Shooting Sports Committee  
February 6, 2018

Attendance: Ken Feng, Joe Flaig, Debbie Franklin, Jeff Hunter, Kurt Johnson, Freeman Jones, Alice Nelson, Cathy Pham, Demi Pulas, Michael Snowden, Brian Suddeth, Bill Swarm, and John Wolfgang

Meeting Started at 7:35 PM. The December 5, 2017 meeting minutes were accepted as submitted.

The committee still needs representatives for Old Dominion, Piedmont, Seneca, Washington, DC and Whit Oak Districts. John Wolfgang to follow up with District Chairmen.

The committee was notified of the Snyder event dates where shooting sports instructors and RSOs are needed. The committee agreed to support these activities. We have been asked to support the Vietnamese Jamboree at Camp Snyder June 30 – July 2, 2018.

The NCAC Shooting Sports Status report was delivered to the chairman of the camping committee, the Vice President for outdoor program and the scout executive on September 28, 2017. Because of subsequent meetings with Camp Snyder and Goshen Scout Reservation Directors, we have developed a draft plan for correcting the deficiencies noted in the report. The volunteer committee and the professional staff agree on priorities for this activity. Range berms at both Snyder and Goshen need to be built up prior to the camping camps season. The committee also agreed that our current facilities must be corrected prior to building any additional ranges at either Goshen or Snyder. The committee discussed the staff recruiting issues at Goshen and agree that our help is needed to contact local universities for staff position candidates.

The new range development proposal was presented to the NCAC Board of Directors at their November 18<sup>th</sup> meeting for approval to complete project. The board approved the project. The range development task group will continue preparing the Special Use Permit modification documents for submission to Prince William County. Currently the range development team is preparing the detailed documentation needed to submit a Special Use Permit modification request. We have recruited a land use lawyer, with expertise in this field. Our current goal is to submit the Special Use Permit modification application to Prince William County by February 28, 2018.

As part of the range development activity the committee has developed four new plans and procedures: Snyder Emergency Action plan, NCAC Lead Management Plan, Snyder Security Plan and NCAC Shooting Sports Standard Operating Procedures. All of these plans and procedures have been approved by the volunteer committees and the professional staff in the NCAC.

We are continuing the annual equipment maintenance cycle at Goshen and Snyder. We still have another 400 arrows to repair for the camps. We will need to schedule additional maintenance sessions. A multi-day trip to Goshen will be scheduled in February to perform maintenance work at Goshen. Our next archery equipment repair party will be held February 18, 2018 at Snyder.

Our February meeting included discussion on the development of a NCAC shooting sports equipment acquisition and repair plan. William Swarm has volunteered to work on the plan.

Work on developing a complete shooting sports merit badge counselor list continues. John Wolfgang distributed copies of the current list, along with the NRA certified list, the USA Archery certified list and the current rangemasters list to all shooting sports committee members. We have found that less than

20% of the counselors for shooting sports merit badges are qualified by current BSA requirements to teach or certified youth as completing the requirements for the badge. John plans to email each merit badge counselor information on running shooting sports activities in the BSA.

The committee decided addition presentation materials on BSA shooting sports are needed. Kurt Johnson has two displays for district roundtables. The 2017 University of Scouting materials will be updated for the 2018 session and made available for use.

Steve Crow requested support from the committee to obtain national BSA permission for the NCAC to operate Cowboy Action Shooting. This activity would be part of his districts camporee. The committee agreed to support this activity and submit required paperwork to the National BSA office

Debbie Franklin and Cathy Pham from Seneca district brought to the committee attention two items about the new bows being used at Day Camps. Using the new bows, the cub scouts are shooting further and more accurately. It is suggested that the Day Camps use the layout shown in BSA design guideline publication D-311 Archery for range layout. It was also determined that the new bows need addition monitoring of the arrow rests.

We will continue to include in each month's Shooting Sports Calendar current training schedules. This list has been placed on the website as a separate document.

Action item list was reviewed and updated. This list is now distributed with each month's meeting agenda

This year has been very full, a "well done" to all members of the Shooting Sports Committee for their time and efforts which made our shooting sports programs a success this year. Many thanks to Joe Flaig for the upscale refreshments for this meeting.

Our next Shooting Sports Committee meeting is scheduled by teleconference on March 6, 2017, from 7:30-9:00 PM.

Meeting adjourned 9:05 PM.



John Wolfgang  
NCAC Shooting Sports Committee Chairman