

Minutes of the 2010 National Field Archery Association Annual Meeting

Riviera Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas, Nevada

February 14-16, 2010

GENERAL SESSION - Sunday, February 14, 2010

General Assembly Meeting called to order by President Bruce Cull at 10:03 am PST.

Invocation by John Pawlowski, Pennsylvania Director.

Pledge of Allegiance, led by Ray Jones, Sergeant of Arms.

Introduction of Officers, Councilmen, Directors and Guests.

Alternate Directors, Frank Moser, KY Margo Thayer, NV and Nola LePera, NJ were seated by a motion from MA, second by FL. Passed by show of hands

Roll Call by Executive Secretary. Those present: President, Vice President and full Council. Directors present: IA, KS, MN, MO, ND, NE, SD, CT, MA, ME, NH, RI, AK, ID, MT, OR, WY, FL, KY, NC, SC, TN, AL, LA, MS, OK, TX, AZ, CA, CO, HI, NM, NV, UT, IL, IN, I, OH, WI, MD, NJ, NY, PA, VA, WV. Total weighted ballot 49, 2/3 majority 33, simple majority 25. CA asked for the benefit of the new NFAA Directors, President Cull explained the weighted ballot and the number of votes per state.

Rules of Assembly and Meeting and Parliamentary Protocol highlighted by Parliamentarian Tim Austin.

OLD BUSINESS

2009 Annual Meeting Minutes

Motion made by MA and second by CT, to accept the 2009 Annual Meeting Minutes. Motion passed by show of hands.

2009 President's Report on the State of the NFAA including the 2009 Headquarters Report.

President Cull gave his report with a slide show power point presentation. Opening day was Jan 1, 2009. Dedication Ceremony was June 14, 2009 during the National Unmarked 3-D, First Dakota Classic and World Bowhunter Championship- over 600 competitors from all 50 states and 15 foreign countries were in attendance; keynote speaker was Jim Easton. FITA field is brand new. The campground is 70% complete, waiting on weather to finish. All real property except the campground is owned by the NFAA Foundation. This is the 501C3 charitable organization which is a separate corporation from the NFAA for legal protection and tax exemption. The Easton Foundation grants can only be given to the 501C3 organization, not to the NFAA or WAF which do not qualify with the IRS as charitable organizations. President Cull discussed in detail the need and the fiduciary responsibility of all three (NFAA, NFAAF and WAF) of the NFAA entities to be self sufficient. This was followed by a review of NFAA's year-end financial status, and how the WAF continues to cover the NFAA's financial shortfall. President Cull reported that despite the current economic situation, the WAF continues to be strong. There was a net gain of WAF sponsors, and booth sales at this year's Vegas Shoot increased slightly. Moreover, with the 2010 WAF First Dakota Classic to be held at the NFAA Headquarters in Yankton again, there will be no venue costs; thereby saving approximately \$30,000.00.

Legislative Committee Meeting Room Assignments

The Administration, Competition and Equipment legislative committees were assigned rooms Capri 103, Capri 104 and Top of the Riv South respectively. The Promotion and Public Relations Committee was assigned Room 6406.

Recess. The General Session was recessed until 9:00 am Monday.

GENERAL SESSION - Monday, February 15, 2010

Roll Call by Executive Secretary:

Officers present: President Bruce Cull and Vice President Brian Sheffler

Council, eight of eight present: Great Lakes, New England, Mid Atlantic, Midwestern, Northwestern, Southeastern, Southern and Southwestern

Committee Chairmen: NFAA Pro Chairperson Diane Watson.

NFAA State Directors, 46 of 50 present: MD, NJ, NY, PA, VA, WV, IA, KS, MN, MO, NE, ND, SD, CT, MA, ME, NH, RI, AK, ID, MT, OR, WA, WY, FL, GA, KY, NC, SC, TN, LA, MS (alternate), OK, TX, AZ, CA, CO, HI, NM, NV, IL, IN, OH, and WI. DE, VT, SC, and AR not present. AAE not affiliated.

Ballot considerations: Total weighted votes = 51; Two-thirds weighted majority = 34; Two-thirds non-weighted majority = 31; Simple weighted majority = 26; Simple non-weighted majority = 24

NEW BUSINESS

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

[Note: Several “15-Signature,” and “Return to Committee” items shown in the following committee reports, were actually addressed after the main reports were presented. In other words, for the sake of continuity, the items are not necessarily in chronological order, including some Tuesday items being shown under Monday.]

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Co-chairmen: NE Councilman Ken Moore, MW Councilman Ray Jones, and GL Councilman Robert McCutcheon.
Committee members: OH, DE, NY, VA, ND, MO, ME, CT, ID, WA, AL, OK, LA, UT, CA Directors.

SE-1. Committee recommends adopt Second by FL Motion passed

Page 15, Article V, Section C, Para 3, Item 3.15

3.15 Organize, operate, and supervise the administration of NFAA National Tournaments: Duties to include registration, finances, shooting assignments, results, and any other associated tasks directed by the Tournament Chairman, NFAA President and NFAA Council.

SE-2. Committee recommends to adopt. Second by FL. Motion passed.

Page 43, Article IV, Section F, Para 1.1 Add (See Appendix 1)

Page 91, Article Appendix 1 Insert revised flight chart.

WI-1. Committee recommends adopt as amended. Second by MS. Motion passed

Page 43, Article IV, Section F, Para 2 & 3

2. For Outdoor Nationals, archers will be arranged in flights according to their final score, whether it is a 3 day, 5 day or 3/5 day National format. For Outdoor Sectionals, archers will be arranged in flights according to their final score and X count.
3. For Indoor Nationals and Indoor Sectionals, archers will be arranged in flights according to their final score and may include X count.

3D-1. Committee recommends adopt. Second by UT. Motion failed.

3D-2. Committee recommends no action.

3D-3. Committee recommends adopt. Second by MS. Motion failed.

SE-3. Committee recommends to adopt. Second by CT. Motion passed.

Page 60, Article VI, Section K, Para 8.3 This change will become effective immediately as per motion by MN, second by FL and passed.

The NFAA has adopted the 300 ft. per second rule with a 3% margin of error as measured by the official on-site chronographs. Each competitor understands and agrees that they may be required to shoot the designated tournament on-site chronographs. Any arrow shot through the chronograph after a tournament round (which exceeds 309 ft. per sec.) will result in immediate disqualification of that round score with no exceptions. (Three-arrow average). .

3D-4. Committee recommends to adopt. Second by CA. Motion failed.

3D-5. Committee recommends to adopt as amended. Second by MS. Motion failed.

3D-6. Committee recommends to adopt. Lack of a second, motion failed..

3D-7. Committee recommends to adopt. Lack of a second, motion failed..

PRO-5. Committee recommends to adopt as amended. Second by CT. Motion passed.

Page 35, Article III, Section D, Para 1.5: Delete paragraph offering one year free Professional membership.

PRO-6. Committee recommends to adopt as amended. Second by CT. Motion passed.

Page 36, Article 3, Section D, Para 3.2.

Add to 3.2 Not acceptable.

Jeans - any color, except for outdoor field and outdoor 3D events. Swimming suits, cut-offs and obscene or vulgar slogans or pictures on clothing. Violations to the dress code will be enforced by the Pro Executive Committee (PEC) and may result in a reprimand, probation or suspension. Violations should be brought to the Pro Chair by the Tournament Chair.

AZ-1. Committee recommends no action. Move to adopt by AZ. Second by RI. Motion failed.

COMPETITION COMMITTEE

Co-chairmen: SE Councilman Tim Austin, SW Councilman Bob Borges, and NW Councilman Dennis Lundine.

Committee members: IL, MI, PA, MD, RI, MA, MT, MN, IA, NE, FL, GA, TX, NM, and CO Directors.

MA-1. Committee recommends to adopt. Second by MA. Motion passed.

Page 27, Article I, Section C, Para 3. Replace Para 3 with.

3. In all National and Sectional tournaments using official NFAA rounds, the following target configuration shall be used according to the target diameter:

20 cm. target faces: Sixteen target faces shall be used for the 35/30/25/20 foot and the 11 yard shots. The target butt shall be constructed to hold the targets in a 4 by 4 configuration.

35 cm. target faces: Four 35 cm. target faces shall be used. The target butt shall be constructed to hold the targets in a 2 by 2 configuration.

50 cm. target faces: Two target faces shall be used for the 35-yard fan (Field rounds) and 36-yard fan (Hunter rounds). The target butt shall be constructed to hold the targets either side-by side or one above the other.

65 cm. target face: One target shall be used.

NJ-1. Committee recommends no action. Move to adopt by NJ, second by RI.

MA moved to amend to remove “bowhunting”, second by FL. Amendment passed.

KY moved to return to committee for clarification, second by UT, returned to committee for revision.

CA moved to return to the floor, second by FL. Roll call vote to revisit NJ-1 was a tie. The chair allowed the item to be reconsidered.

CA moved to amend to add the words “youth stakes”, second by NJ. Amendment passed

UT moved to amend to remove the words “at the discretion of the tournament director”, Second by NE. Amendment passed.

Vote on amended motion passed.

Page 32, Article II, Section H, Para 15.

For all tournaments below the sectional level, all traditional archers will shoot at Youth distances.

NY-1. Committee recommends no action.

MA-2. Committee recommends no action.

MA-3. Committee recommends no action.

TX-1. Committee recommends to adopt as amended. Second by MS. Motion passed

Page 46, Article IV, Section I Para 9.

9. An arrow embedded in the nock of another arrow (generally known as a Robinhood) will be scored the same as the arrow it skewered.

TX-3. Committee recommends no action.

MD-1. Committee recommends no action.

MI-1. Committee recommends to adopt. Second by FL. Motion passed

Page 27, Article I, Section A, Para 7 Change to read

7. Inside Out – A scoring term describing an arrow that does not touch the outer separating line of the applicable scoring area.

PRO-1. Committee recommends no action.

PRO-2. Committee recommends no action.

Pro Chair moved to reconsider PRO-2. Roll call vote to reconsider failed 23 yes, 24 no.

Voting yes: CT, MA, ME, NH, RI, AK, ID, OR, WA, WY, NC, MS, TX, CA, CO, HI, NM, NV, UT, MD, NJ, NY.

Voting no: IA, KS, MN, MO, ND, NE, SD, MT, FL, GA, KY, TN, AL, LA, OK, AZ, IL, IN, MI, OH, WI, PA, VA, WV.

PRO-3. Committee recommends no action.

Pro Chair moved to reconsider PRO-3. Motion failed on show of hands.

PRO-4. Committee recommends no action.

PRO-2A. Committee recommends no action. Move to adopt by Pro Chair. Second by ME. Motion failed.

PRO-3A. Committee recommends no action.

RIC 2009-1 Committee recommends to uphold. Second by RI. Motion passed.

At a recent New England Sectional meeting, the new requirements for enforcing the draw weight and arrow speed limits were discussed. Originally, the group talked about just having a bow scale and chronograph available, but not necessarily using it. Connecticut disagreed and suggested that Article IV, Section D, Paragraph 1, Subparagraph 1.9 requires the testing of all archers' equipment. Specifically, unless otherwise specified, the wording "*The official tournament bow scale and chronograph shall be used for enforcement of the peak draw weight and arrow speed limits specified in Article II, Section A, Paragraph 3*" imply that all equipment must be checked.

The RIC feels that the decision to test every set up would be at the discretion of the Tournament Director. Currently the organization has restrictions on speed along with allowable equipment for use in each style of competition and does not routinely check ether. Rather it is the normal practice to allow the competitors to police their own ranks (I do not remember the NFAA checking draw weight at an Outdoor National Tournament on every bow since the early 1990's). In light of this the *Official Tournament Bow Scale and Chronograph* only needs to be on site.

RIC 2010-2. Committee recommends to uphold. Second by IL. Motion failed. Ruling overturned.

An archer was inadvertently bumped by the archer behind him, while at full draw. This caused him to shoot his arrow and miss his target. He immediately brought the matter to our attention and asked to shoot another arrow. The archer standing behind him stated that the bump was totally unintentional and accidental. The decision was to let the archer shoot another arrow as the missed arrow was caused by interference beyond his control. I would like to confirm that this was the correct decision to make.

Rules Interpretation Committee:

Based upon the following:

Article VI, Section E, Paragraph 5, Item 5.7 and
RIC 91.7 Upheld at the 1992 Annual meeting,

The Rules Interpretation Committee disagrees with the Director from Colorado and feels that any arrow completely passing more than ten (10) feet forward of the shooting line either propelled by the bowstring or dropped would constitute a shot arrow.

EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE

Co-chairmen: MA Councilman Mike LePera and SO Councilman Lee Gregory.

Committee members: IN, WI, NJ, WV, SD, KS, NH, AK, OR, WY, NC, KY, TN, MS, AZ, NV and HI Directors.

NV-1. Committee recommends no action. Moved to adopt by PA, second by FL. Motion defeated.

FL-1. Committee recommends no action. Moved to adopt by FL, second by CA. Motion defeated.
CA moved to reconsider FL-1. Motion failed.

CA-1. Committee recommends no action.

NM-1. Committee recommends no action.

TX-2. Committee recommends no action.

RIC 2009-2. Committee recommends to uphold. Second by IN. Motion passed.

The NFAA Director for the State of Washington ruled on the legality of two different rests, the QAD Ultra drop away and the Whisker Biscuit, for use in Adult Bowhunter Freestyle and inclusive of Adult Bowhunter Freestyle Limited. The Director ruled these rests as illegal in BHFS and BHFSL because the horizontal bar on the QAD constitutes an illegal 6th reference point, as does the top of the Whisker Biscuit.

Rules Interpretation Committee:

Based upon Article II, Paragraphs F and G, page 31 of the NFAA By Laws - Edition Thirty-Eight:

The Rules Interpretation Committee disagrees with the Director from Washington and feels the rests in question are legal. The bylaws no longer address arrow rest height requirements in BHFS and BHFSL styles. As for a portion of the rest being used for sighting purposes, using Appendix 3, page 93 anything located within the pictured site window could potentially be used as a sight reference point (any rest, other than the shelf, or the tip of the arrow itself).

RIC 2010-1. Committee recommends to uphold. Second by CT. Motion passed.

In response to a request for a manufacturers ruling.

The Rules Interpretation Committee feels the Double Vision Blocker does conform to Article II, paragraphs F and G, NFAA Shooting Styles and Equipment Rules for Bowhunter Freestyle and Bowhunter Freestyle Limited so long as the competitor does not have more than (5) five fixed reference points visible in the sight window.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE

Chairman: President Bruce Cull

Committee members: Vice-President Brian Sheffler, GL Councilman Bob McCutcheon, MA Councilman Mike LePera, MW Councilman Ray Jones, NE Councilman Ken Moore, NW Councilman Dennis Lundine, SO Councilman Lee Gregory, SE Councilman Tim Austin and SW Councilman Bob Borges.

FC-1. Committee recommends no action.

GL-1. Committee recommends adopt. Second by MN. Motion failed.

NC-1. Committee recommends no action.

SE-4. Committee recommends adopt. Second by NJ. Motion passed.

Page 20, Article VII, Section K, Para 2 and 3.

2. The Councilman shall take office on the first day of the month following election. When the office is vacant, the Councilman shall take office immediately upon election.

3. Election of Councilman for the Northwest, New England, Midwest and Southern sections shall be in even numbered years. Election of Councilman for the Southwest, Mid Atlantic, Great Lakes and Southeast sections shall be in odd numbered years.

C-1. Committee recommends adopt. Second by MA. Motion failed on roll call vote 13 yes and 38 no.

Voting yes: KS, NE, CT, MA, ME, NJ, WA, WY, OK, TX, HI, NJ, PA.

Voting no: IA, MN, MO, ND, SD, RI, AK, ID, MT, OR, FL, GA, KY, NC, TN, AL, LA, MS, AZ, CA, CO, NM, NV, UT, IL, IN, MI, OH, WI, MD, NY, VA, WV.

MS-1. Committee recommends no action. Move to adopt by MS. Second by FL. Motion failed on roll call vote. 33 yes and 18 no

Voting yes: IA, KS, MN, MO, ND, NE, SD, CT, MA, ME, NH, RI, AK, ID, MT, OR, WA, WY, FL, GA, NC, AL, LA, MS, OK, TX, HI, NV, IN, MI, NJ, PA.

Voting no: KY, TN, AZ, CA, CO, NM, UT, IL, OH, WI, MD, NY, VA, WV.

KY moved to reconsider MS-1. Second by MS. Motion passed by roll call vote. 34 yes and 16 no.

Voting yes: IA, KS, MN, MO, NE, SD, CT, MA, ME, NH, RI, AK, ID, MT, WA, WY, FL, GA, KY, NC, TN, AL, LA, MS, OK, TX, CO, HI, IL, IN, MD, NJ, PA.

Voting no: OR, AZ, CA, NM, NV, UT, MI, OH, WI, NY, VA, WV.

KY moved to amend the motion to add "This is for a trial period of 2 years to be reconsidered in 2012." Second by WA. Motion to amend passed.

Vote on amended item passed by roll call vote. 36 yes and 14 no.

Voting yes: IA, KS, MN, MO, NE, SD, CT, MA, ME, NH, RI, AK, ID, MT, WA, WY, FL, GA, KY, NC, TN, AL, LA, MS, OK, TX, CO, HI, NV, IL, IN, OH, MD, NJ, PA.

Voting no: OR, AZ, CA, NM, UT, MI, WI, NY, VA, WV.

Constitution Revision on all pages where the Directors meeting is mentioned.

Change annual to bi-annual in all necessary sections and paragraphs except 5.8 which shall read:

Approval of the annual budget shall be the last item of business at the bi-annual meeting. Approval of the annual budget in the off-year of the bi-annual meeting shall be through a Sectional mail-in vote of the Directors and represented by the Council at the annual Council meeting.

Amended to add a trial period of 2 years, to be reconsidered in 2012.

GENERAL SESSION - Tuesday, February 16, 2010

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN'S REPORTS

Pro Chairman's Report by Pro Chairperson Diane Watson.

- Thanked the Directors for passage of the dress code agenda item.
- Over 40 Pros attended meeting in 2009 at the Indoor Nationals. Conclusions from that meeting were:
 - Purses need to be more active in promoting their division to increase purse money.
 - An interactive website is being developed for pro archers to communicate..
- The second Pro meeting in 2009 was held at the Outdoor Nationals in July. Again, the primary issue discussed was the Pro purses.
- Other observations by the Pro Chairman:
 - More articles by Pros, especially factory-sponsored Pros, in *Archery* magazine.
- Primary goal for 2010: Get more NFAA member demographics, such that we know where to concentrate our fund-raising objectives (that is, make the Pro Division more financially viable)

Promotion and Public Relations Committee Report. A verbal report was given. Vice President Sheffler reported on a fund raising campaign that is available to clubs, shops and state associations using resources through Morrell Manufacturing. The promotion is candy sales and kits to start the promotion were distributed to all State Directors.

A new raffle has begun with the winners to be drawn at the Outdoor National Championships. The prizes are bows, arrows and NFAA memberships.

No calendar will be produced for 2010. VP Sheffler will arrange for a contest to design a new logo for the Vegas Shoot.

After School Archery Program (ASAP). Doug Engh, President of the National Alliance for the Development of Archery (NADA) briefed the Directors on ASAP, which is administered by NADA. The following is the outline of his PowerPoint presentation (less all graphics):

After School Archery Program

ASAP Partners

- ASAP, *After School Archery Program*, is a partnership between: *National Field Archery Association*, *USA Archery*, the *Archery Trade Association*, the *Archery Shooters Association*, the *Easton Sports Development Foundation II*, and is facilitated by the *National Alliance for the Development of Archery*

National Alliance for the Development of Archery

- Non-Profit Association of Certified Archery Coaches of USAA, NFAA, NASP & 4-H.

What is ASAP?

- Bridge between initial archery introduction and a true life sport.

- Community-based extended curriculum for recurve and compound bows.
 - Coaching infrastructure consistent with guidelines of the National Council for Accreditation of Coaching Education.
- ASAP Lesson Plans**
- Easy for Instructors**
- Easy for New Archers**
- USAA/NFAA Instructor Training & Certification**
- ASAP Directly to Schools**
- ESDF II Equipment Grants**
- ESDF II ASAP Grants**
- ASAP Promotional Materials**
- ASAP Website**
- "Discover Archery" Magazine**
- World Archery Shoot**
- How Can We Help You Start ASAP?**

2010 Tournament Site Announcements. President Cull announced that the 2011 Outdoor National will be held July 27-31 in Yankton, SD. The 2012 Outdoor National will be July 25-29 in Mechanicsburg, PA. Sites and dates for the Unmarked 3-D and WAF Archery Classic are May 22-23, 2010 in Yankton, SD.

Standing Committee Announcements. President Cull stated that the 2010 Standing Committee appointments were still in-works, but they were expected to be finalized by the end of March.

Financial Review and Budget

At this time the Directors were given the opportunity to comment on the FY 2009 "Reviewed Consolidated Financial Statements" prepared by Williams & Co., NFAA's Certified Public Accounting firm. The Directors were then given the proposed FY 2011 budget, shown below, as approved by the Budget and Headquarters Monitoring Committee. A motion was made to accept the budget by MA, second by NJ. Motion passed.

NFAA Budget for Fiscal Year 10/2010 - 09/2011

Income:	
Membership dues	\$ 203,000
Subscriptions	78,000
Coarse Approvals and Club Charters	17,000
Insurance Rebate	15,000
General Merchandise Sales	19,000
Tournaments and special events	190,000
Royalties	15,000
Advertising	30,000
Raffle	\$ <u>8,500</u>
Total Income	\$ 575,500
Expenses	
Merchandise	\$ 10,500
Tournaments and special events	150,000
Administration	280,000
Depreciation Expense	4,000
Postage and Freight	25,000
Archery Magazine	104,000
Bowhunter Defense	\$ <u>2,000</u>
Total Expense	\$ <u>575,500</u>
Net Income	—0

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by KY, second by RI. Motion passed by acclamation.