

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
AMATEUR TRAPSHOOTING ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA
AUGUST 16, 2001**

The 2001 Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors of AMATEUR TRAPSHOOTING ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA (ATA), pursuant to Article IV, Section 4 of its By-Laws, and pursuant to Notice, was held August 16, 2001, in the Central Entry Building at the ATA's Homegrounds at Vandalia, Ohio.

Members of the Executive Committee in attendance were: President and Vice-President Southern Zone Sol Holcomb, from Tennessee; Vice-President Eastern Zone Phil Wright, from New Hampshire; Vice-President Central Zone Thomas E. Acklin, from Ohio; Vice-President Western Zone David R. Kaiser, from Alaska; Vice-President Southwestern Zone Dr. Tom Arvas, from New Mexico; Ex-Officio Henry Carroll; ATA Treasurer Tom Burkey; ATA Secretary Robert E. Melton; and, ATA Executive Director John Norris.

1. ROLL CALL AND SEATING OF DELEGATES:

ATA Secretary Melton called the roll of the States, Territories and Provinces, and all Directors or their Alternates were in attendance and answered the roll call except British Columbia and Hawaii. After completing the roll call and determining that a quorum was present, Secretary Melton called the 2001 Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 8:15 p.m. EDT. Secretary Melton suggested to the Directors that consideration be given to altering the required Order of Business, for this meeting only, and move Item No. 6, Unfinished Business, to follow Item No. 11, New Business. The purpose is that ATA Relocation issues will be considered as Unfinished Business, and moving that discussion toward the end of this meeting may facilitate uninterrupted discussion and encourage focus on relocation issues, after other necessary business of this corporation has been completed. President Sol Holcomb then assumed the Chair and proceeded to conduct the business of the Corporation's Directors at this Annual Meeting, pursuant to Article IV of the By-Laws of the Corporation.

On Motion of Mr. McHugh of New York and Second of Mr. Mitchell of Florida it was by voice vote, unanimously

RESOLVED that pursuant to ATA By-Law Article IV, Section 5, the Order of Business, at this meeting only, shall be altered and Order of Business Item No. 6, Unfinished Business, shall be moved to follow Order of Business Item No. 11, New Business, and considered and completed in its entirety at that time.

2. READING OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

On Motion of Mr. Felber of South Dakota and Second of Mr. Mitchell of Florida, it was by voice vote, unanimously

RESOLVED that the reading of the Minutes of the 2000 Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors of AMATEUR TRAPSHOOTING ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA, held August 17, 2000, be dispensed with, and the Minutes be approved as written and published without the reading thereof.

3. TREASURER'S REPORT:

ATA Treasurer Tom Burkey presented the Treasurer's Report. Mr. Burkey was assisted by Ms. Julie Smith, ATA Controller, and Mr. Rick Stover, Director of PriceWaterhouseCoopers, ATA's Accountants and Auditors. Treasurer Burkey requested that Mr. Stover report to the Directors on ATA financial activities and condition and review the Report on Audits of Financial Statements and Supplemental Data for the fiscal years ended September 30, 2000 and 1999,

which was prepared by PriceWaterhouseCoopers. This Audit was distributed to all Directors more than ten (10) days prior to this Annual Meeting for their review, and additional copies of the Audit were available at the Meeting for the convenience of Directors and Alternates present. Mr. Stover reviewed the Audit in detail, and illustrated certain portions and information from the Audit. Mr. Stover informed the Directors that this has been one of the smoothest Audits of ATA in recent memory, and he noted that all ATA staff were helpful and all records requested were made available without exception for PriceWaterhouseCoopers review. Mr. Stover reviewed and referred to each of the Statements and Schedules contained in the Audit and made comments regarding each as he considered appropriate. Mr. Stover reviewed and explained the Schedule of Investments in detail, and confirmed that ATA Investment Policy was followed and adhered to in both the fiscal years reported. Mr. Stover further informed the Directors that the Auditors opinion is a "Clean Opinion", no areas of concern were noted, and he reiterated his comments at the 2000 Annual Directors Meeting that he and PriceWaterhouseCoopers were proud to be affiliated with ATA and anticipated a continuing relationship.

Treasurer Burkey solicited questions or comments from the Directors, and there were none.

On Motion of Mr. Murphy of Wisconsin and Second of Mr. Daniels of Montana, it was by voice vote, unanimously

RESOLVED that the Report of the Treasurer be approved as presented, and the actions of the ATA Treasurer for the 2000 fiscal year are ratified and affirmed.

4. REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

The Report of the Relocation Committee is deferred and will be presented under Item No. 6, Unfinished Business.

At the request of the Past Presidents' Organization and their Secretary, Past President Jim Bradford, Jr., Secretary Melton delivered information provided by that Organization:

A. There are twenty (20) living Past Presidents of ATA. Eleven (11) Past Presidents are in attendance at this Grand American.

B. The Past Presidents are very complimentary as to this Tournament and the manner in which the affairs of this Corporation are being conducted by the Executive Committee and the Executive Director.

C. At their meeting held during this Grand American, the Past Presidents in attendance unanimously voted in favor of mandatory yardage reductions after special review. Their reasoning is that a successful handicap system must be enforced bilaterally and not unilaterally. An ATA member is not given the option to accept or reject increases in handicap yardage, and should not be given the option to accept or reject reduction in handicap yardage after special review.

D. With regard to ATA Relocation issues, the Past Presidents recognize that a move is imminent and unavoidable, and they unanimously urge the Executive Committee and Directors to put aside all political, regional and parochial interests and act in the best long term interest of this Corporation.

There is no written report of the Past Presidents' Organization to be attached to these Minutes.

5. CORRESPONDENCE:

Secretary Melton reported that there is no correspondence to come to the attention of the Directors at this meeting.

7. REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

ATA President Sol Holcomb reported briefly on his activities as President during the preceding year and expressed his appreciation for being allowed to serve. President Holcomb recommended that a Constitutional Convention be convened in the future when it is convenient to do so. He stated that he believes some amendments were needed, without specifying areas of concern, other than specifically recommending that the Directors change the term of ATA Presidency from the present one (1) year term to a two (2) year term. President Holcomb deferred the remainder of the Report of the Executive Committee to Executive Director John Norris who will include it with his report to immediately follow.

8. REPORT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

ATA Executive Director John Norris reported on the activities of his office, the Executive Committee, and the ATA during the preceding year.

Mr. Norris reported his travel and efforts on behalf of ATA during the preceding year, and informed that the majority of his necessary travel was related to ATA Relocation matters, and most of his travel was with Past President Jim Bradford, Jr., Chairman of the Relocation Committee.

Mr. Norris informed of the present status of ATA computer modernization and modification and explained that the work is being done in phases. Phase No. 1 is completed, and Phase No. 2 is approximately 90% complete at the time of this Report. ATA is adding software and new equipment as required to bring its computer system to a level of technology to serve ATA's present needs, and future needs so far as can be reasonably anticipated.

Mr. Norris briefly reviewed the actions of the Executive Committee during their meetings at this Grand American to date, and briefly commented on Official Rule amendments to date by the Executive Committee at their meetings, all of which were provided to the Directors at their Zone meetings held prior to this Annual Meeting.

Mr. Norris reported that to date of July 15, 2001, ATA Daily Fees collected were 1.5% less than on July 15, 2000, and he believes this is attributable to gun club late reporting and is not an indication of a decreasing trapshooting trend. Annual Dues collected as of July 15, 2001, were 3.3% above Annual Dues collections July 15, 2000. Mr. Norris considers this to be a substantial increase considering the lack of general ATA growth.

2001 Grand American attendance to date of this Meeting is 5.6% higher than 2000 Grand American attendance on the same date. This Tournament has been well run and no problems have been encountered that were not immediately resolved, and no problems have been encountered at this Grand American that require action or concern of the Directors. Mr. Norris complimented Tournament Director Charles Fritzges on his conduct of this Tournament, and stated that much of the success of this Tournament can be attributed to Mr. Fritzges' knowledge and abilities. Mr. Norris informed the Directors that he was pleased with performance of ATA staff and employees at this Grand American, and also their performance during the preceding year. Mr. Norris thanked the Directors, and others, who continue to assist and encourage him as ATA Executive Director. Mr. Norris solicited questions or comments from the Directors, there were none.

9. ELECTION OF VICE-PRESIDENTS:

At 8:45 pm EDT, President Holcomb recessed the Meeting for the purpose of the five (5) Zones electing their Vice-Presidents for the ensuing Target Year. At 9:05 pm EDT, after all Zones had completed their election process, President Holcomb called the Meeting back to Order and requested a report from each Zone of the result of their Vice-President election. The Vice-Presidents elected for the ensuing year are:

Eastern Zone	Phil Wright, New Hampshire
Central Zone	Thomas E. Acklin, Ohio
Western Zone	David Kaiser, Alaska
Southwestern Zone	Dr. Tom Arvas, New Mexico
Southern Zone	Ken Duncan, North Carolina

The Vice-Presidents elected will serve as ATA Vice-Presidents of their respective Zones and the voting members of the ATA Executive Committee, for the 2002 Target Year. Each newly elected Vice-President will take and hold their office on September 1, 2001, for a term of one (1) year or until their successors are elected and qualified.

10. ELECTION OF PRESIDENT:

President Holcomb invited nominations for President of Amateur Trapshooting Association of America for the 2002 Target Year.

Mr. Ford of Connecticut nominated Eastern Zone Vice-President Phil Wright of New Hampshire for the office of President of Amateur Trapshooting Association of America for the 2002 Target Year. Mr. Devaux of Vermont seconded the nomination of Vice-President Wright. Mr. Mitchell of Florida moved that nominations cease and that Vice-President Wright be elected President of ATA for the 2002 Target Year by acclamation and Mr. Ford of Connecticut seconded the Motion, Eastern Zone Vice-President Phil Wright was elected President of Amateur Trapshooting Association of America for the 2002 Target Year by acclamation.

President-Elect Wright made very eloquent and well prepared acceptance remarks, and began by expressing his appreciation to the Directors for their confidence shown by electing him President of ATA. He further expressed his thanks to those who have supported and encouraged him throughout his trapshooting career, and in particular he expressed his gratitude to his wife, Susan, for her support and encouragement throughout their years of marriage. President-Elect Wright thanked his father, who will be present for his introduction tomorrow, for introducing him to trapshooting many years ago and for passing down the ability to be a competitor in this sport. Mr. Mike Blaisdell, Mr. William Anzaldi, and Mr. Dennis Devaux received special thanks from President-Elect Wright for their friendship, support and encouragement over the years he has known them. He particularly thanked all Eastern Zone Delegates who supported him and exhibited confidence in him by nominating him for this office. President-Elect Wright recalled that he came to the Grand American thirty-five (35) years ago as a young Delegate, he stated that he still enjoys this position, and assured that he is very aware of the seriousness of the duties and responsibilities of a Delegate. President-Elect Wright also stated that he is acutely aware that there is much work to do on behalf of ATA. His agenda for the 2002 Target Year will necessarily be primarily devoted to ATA relocation matters. President-Elect Wright expressed his hope that he can provide the leadership necessary to accomplish the ATA relocation project and he requested assistance of the Directors/Delegates for this most important task. He assured the Directors that he had no shortage of ideas or opinions, and further assured them that he will not press either his ideas or opinions on anyone while President of this organization. President-Elect Wright informed the directors that during his term as President he will always be available to them, and will do everything possible to timely respond to and resolve any problems or issues presented to him.

President-Elect Wright stated that he was humbled and honored to be elected President of

Amateur Trapshooting Association of America for the upcoming year, and he sincerely requested all Directors and other knowledgeable persons for their help and support in making his Presidential year successful and productive.

After President-Elect Wright's remarks, the Chair recognized Ms. Terry Ewing, Editor of Trap and Field, who presented the Maynard B. Henry Gavel Award to President-Elect Wright.

11. NEW BUSINESS:

President Holcomb informed the Directors that the term of Real Property Advisory Committee member Jerry Racke will expire September 1, 2001, creating a vacancy on that Committee. A five (5) year term vacancy on the Real Property Advisory Committee will begin commencing September 1, 2001, and President Holcomb informed the Directors that he had appointed himself to fill that vacancy and to be a member of the Real Property Advisory Committee for a term of five (5) years commencing September 1, 2001, subject to ratification of that appointment by the Directors. On motion of Mr. Todd of Mississippi and second of Mr. Mitchell of Florida, it was unanimously

RESOLVED that the appointment of Sol Holcomb to be a member of the Real Property Advisory Committee for a term of five (5) years, commencing September 1, 2001, is ratified and approved.

Mr. Ford of Connecticut the Earned Yardage Table, Rule IV, C.1., and stated his opinion that the Earned Yardage Table should be amended. Mr. Ford made the following Motion:

ATA Official Rule IV,C.1. be amended and hereafter shall provide as follows:

ENTRIES	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
15-39	1/2 yd			
40-69	1yd			
70-124	1yd	1/2 yd		
125-249	1yd	1 yd	1/2 yd	
150-499	1 1/2 yds	1 yd	1/2 yd	
500-1499	2 yds	1 1/2 yd	1 yd	1/2 yd
1500 and up	2 1/2 yds	2 yds	1 1/2 yds	1 yd

Mr. McCallister of Pennsylvania seconded Mr. Ford's Motion.

There was no discussion of Mr. Ford's Motion, and President Holcomb called for a vote. Mr. Ford's Motion PASSED by a majority YES vote by show of hands. (YES-34/NO-17).

Mr. Henson of Oregon made a Motion that Rule IV., E. be amended and hereafter provide as follows:

1. No reduction will be permitted by 1,000 Target Review for at least one (1) year after the date of any yardage earned as the highest score, second high score and any ties for the same in any event with entries of 250 or more.

2. No reduction will be permitted by 1,000 Target Review for at least one (2) years after the date of any yardage earned as the highest score, second high score and any ties for the same in any event with entries of 750 or more.

3. The existing restriction on yardage earned by the high score in any handicap event

during Grand American Week would be deleted as redundant with proposal Paragraph 5. herein. (See E.5. page 44 Current Rulebook Reprint)

Mr. Ford of Connecticut seconded Mr. Henson's Motion.

On discussion Mr. Murphy of Wisconsin spoke in opposition to the Motion; Mr. Henson of Oregon spoke in favor of the Motion; Mr. Ford of Connecticut spoke in favor of the Motion; Mr. Thyer of Iowa spoke in opposition to the Motion; Mr. Wright of New Hampshire spoke in opposition to the Motion; and, Mr. Murphy of Wisconsin spoke in opposition to the Motion.

After discussion of Mr. Henson's Motion, President Holcomb called for a vote. Mr. Henson's Motion FAILED by a majority NO vote by show of hands.(NO-24/YES-21)

Mr. Wilbur of Kansas read the following prepared statement:

I have been asked by shooters of my state to propose a rule change regarding lost targets in Doubles event. Rule change would be concerning allowable failure to fire on second target of a doubles pair. As stated now in Official Rulebook of ATA on page 17, paragraph 2, an allowable failure to fire on the second target of a doubles pair only when the first target of said doubles pair would be scored dead. If the first target is fired at and missed there is no failure to fire allowance given for the second target. Due to the increasing number of auto's being used I am proposing a Rule change that if the first target of a doubles pair is shot at and regardless whether hit or missed and a failure to fire occurs on the second target regardless of whether first target is scored dead or lost it will be recorded as such but the pair will be given over with the preceding pairs first target scoring remaining the same and only the outcome of the second target of the pair now being recorded for the pair over.

There was no second to Mr. Wilbur's Motion. The Motion FAILED for lack of Second.

Mr. Ford of Connecticut made the following Motion:

Amend Rule IV,C.2. to eliminate mandatory yardage for handicap score of 96 for events with 70 or more entries.

Mr. Henson of Oregon seconded Mr. Ford's Motion.

There was no discussion and President Holcomb called for a vote. Mr. Ford's Motion FAILED by a majority NO vote by show of hands.

Mr. Henson of Oregon made the following Motion:

A score of 50 straight on any two consecutive sub-events of 25 targets each, and on any single sub-event of 50 targets, in a 100 target handicap event, will earn « yard, but only if no yardage is earned on the total 100 targets. Nor more than one such « yard may be earned on any 100 target event.

Ms. Hand of Nevada seconded Mr. Henson's Motion.

On discussion of the Motion Mr. Murphy of Wisconsin spoke in opposition of the Motion, Mr. McKenzie of Idaho spoke in opposition to the Motion and Mr. Wright of New Hampshire spoke in opposition to the Motion. After discussion, President Holcomb called for a vote. Mr. Henson's Motion FAILED by a majority NO vote by a show of hands (NO-25/YES-23).

Mr. Wright of New Hampshire made the following Motion:

Amend Rule IV,C.2. to eliminate an automatic < yard increase for a score of 96 or better.

Mr. Ford of Connecticut seconded Mr. Wright's Motion.

There was no discussion of Mr. Wright's Motion, and President Holcomb called for a vote. Mr. Wright's Motion FAILED by a majority NO vote by a show of hands.

Mr. Sherrod of Texas discussed the optional 10 shot from each position Rule. Mr. Sherrod stated that this Rule is unfair to Senior Veterans, Handicapped persons, ladies and sub-juniors, and it is his belief that instead of complaining or objecting to the Rule, they simply will not come back to shoot and trapshooting participation will suffer. Mr. Sherrod made the following Motion:

Rule III,C.1. and 2. shall be rescinded in their entirety.

Mr. Wilbur of Kansas seconded Mr. Sherrod's Motion. There was no discussion on Mr. Sherrod's Motion and President Holcomb called for a vote. Mr. Sherrod's Motion FAILED by a majority NO vote by a show of hands. (NO-25/YES-22)

President Holcomb called for any more New Business, and heard no response.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

President Holcomb informed the Directors that this portion of their Annual Meeting is of the utmost importance and deals directly with matters crucial to the future of ATA. President Holcomb noted that the ATA Relocation Committee, under the direction of its Chairman, Past President Jim Bradford, Jr., have spent an unknown amount of time attempting to locate acceptable property for relocation of ATA facilities. (The Directors at this point in the meeting spontaneously responded to President Holcomb's remarks with a raucous standing ovation for President Bradford.) Mr. Bradford will report on the Committee's efforts and present all information which is available regarding properties which the Relocation Committee, and the ATA Executive Committee, believe to be the most suitable for ATA purposes and which ATA may be able to develop and utilize successfully. President Holcomb informed, at this time, only three (3) sites out of the large number which have been considered and examined are believed to be suitable for ATA purposes. Prior to this meeting, written proposals relating to each of the three (3) sites have been received, and all proposals have been distributed to all Directors for their review, and additional copies of each proposal are available at this meeting. President Holcomb further informed that he has instructed Secretary Melton to attach copies of each of these proposals as attachments to the Official Minutes of this Annual Meeting. President Holcomb recognized Past President Jim Bradford, Jr., Chairman of the Relocation Committee, to discuss the present status of relocation efforts and explain in detail the three (3) site proposals under consideration.

Past President Jim Bradford, Jr. informed the Directors that he has been the Chairman of the Relocation Committee since April, 2000, and the Committee has been very active in their efforts since June, 2000. Mr. Bradford commented that he is aware there are some ATA members, and perhaps even some of the Directors, who doubt ATA's need to relocate its facilities. Mr. Bradford stated that any doubts, or disbelief, of the necessity for relocation are wholly misplaced. Airport Improvement Projects presently underway at Dayton Airport will continue. The Airport Improvement Projects will eventually displace ATA from the property that it owns, and the property leased from the City of Dayton and the Dayton Airport will no longer be available for use by ATA. Although it appears that Dayton Airport needs are diminishing in the short term, and as examples Mr. Bradford noted Emory Freight being grounded and Midway Airlines filing Chapter 11, the long term Airport Improvement Project is continuing. One of the first items in the Airport Improvement Project will be construction of a

five (5) story parking garage for Airport use which will displace the area presently used for rental cars at the Airport, which will require moving the rental car location toward the west end of the ATA shooting line. The immediate result will be to displace four (4) or five (5) complete banks on the west end of ATA's shooting line. There is no question but that ATA must relocate its facilities. Mr. Bradford clearly informed the Directors that he, and the Executive Committee, have been informed by Mr. Blair Conrad, Director of Dayton Airport Operations, that scheduling of Airport Improvement Projects is such that no more than two (2) more Grand Americans can be held at ATA's present location. There is no indication, from any source, that more than two (2) Grand Americans will be possible to be held as this location. Mr. Conrad has assured the Executive Committee and Mr. Bradford that the City of Dayton and Dayton Airport are preparing an offer to purchase the approximately fifty-eight (58) acres at this location which are owned by ATA. At the present time, the Executive Committee and Mr. Bradford have been led to believe that the lead remediation issue will be treated minimally, the offer to purchase will be at a price of \$2.9 million (\$2,900,000.00), and a lease of the purchased property will be offered to allow ATA time to transition from its current site. Mr. Bradford emphasized that no offer has been received at the time this report is given, and nothing in writing has been received by ATA to confirm the anticipated offer to purchase, minimal treatment of lead remediation issue, or the anticipated lease to allow ATA to vacate the present site in a planned and orderly fashion.

Past President Bradford reported that there are three (3) sites under consideration at this time, and it is anticipated that no additional sites will be considered. Mr. Bradford strongly emphasized that the time has come to make a decision regarding relocation, and the time has come to have faith in ATA's elected officers and allow them to proceed in the best long term interest of ATA and our sport. Mr. Bradford reviewed the three (3) sites under consideration and reference was specifically made to the written proposal submitted in support of each site. The three (3) sites under consideration are located near Amarillo, Texas, near Sparta, Illinois, and near Shelbyville, Indiana. A copy of the written proposal for each of the three (3) sites will be attached to these Minutes as follows: Amarillo, Texas will be designated as Attachment A; Sparta, Illinois will be designated as Attachment B; and, Shelbyville, Indiana will be designated as Attachment C.

ATA's objective, and the objective the Relocation Committee's site search, is for property upon which to develop a multi-use facility for trap, skeet, sporting clays, rifle, pistol, year round camping, and similar activities. It is anticipated that the facility could host motor home shows, car shows, motorcycle shows, market the shooting sports to corporations and their employees, and that the facility would be used on a year round basis for these and other various activities.

AMARILLO, TEXAS ATTACHMENT A:

Amarillo, Texas is located in the Panhandle of Texas, about midway between Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and Albuquerque, New Mexico. Amarillo is a city of 225,000 and is at an elevation of 3600 feet. There are about 4700 hotel and motel rooms within the city limits, of all descriptions and all price ranges, and a sufficient number of restaurants of all descriptions and price ranges are located within the City. The heat index at Amarillo, Texas is surprisingly cooler than at Dayton, Ohio, the reason being the drastically reduced humidity. The average wind is 6 to 7 mph higher than at Dayton, Ohio, prevailing from the Southwest.

The proposed site consists of three (3) contiguous sections, of more than 1900 acres. All of the property is flat, with no tree growth. Mr. Bradford explained that a section is one (1) square mile and the proposed site is three (3) miles in length, all facing North. The length of the property easily lends itself to a single shooting line, and the one (1) mile depth allows sufficient area for multi-use of the site as well as adequate space for vendors, camping, parking and other necessities. There is an irrigation well on site, and power has been run to

the site. The site is four and one-half (4½) miles south of the Amarillo Airport and a short distance south of Interstate 40. The land is priced at \$600.00 per acre for a total of \$1,328,000.00, inclusive of closing costs and commissions.

Mr. Bradford stated that the downside of this proposed site is the lack of area population and lack of corporate market which could inhibit ATA's plans to develop and utilize a multi-use facility on a year round basis. Amarillo is approximately ten to 15 percent (10%-15%) the size of St. Louis, Missouri or Indianapolis, Indiana, and demographics taken from ATA records indicate that approximately fifty-seven percent (57%) of ATA members reside east of the Mississippi River. Because of shooter accessibility and lack of market population, this site has been criticized by many as inappropriate despite the attractiveness of the area and the Amarillo Economic Development Commission (AEDC) proposal.

Mr. Bradford reviewed the written proposal, Attachment A hereto, and made comments he deemed appropriate.

SOUTHWEST ILLINOIS NEAR SPARTA, ILLINOIS ATTACHMENT B:

Attachment B, the proposal on letterhead of Illinois Department of Commerce and Community Affairs (DCCA) was only received the Executive Committee today. The delay in receipt of this proposal is unexplained, but the property has been physically examined and almost all the information contained in the written proposal was verbally communicated to the Relocation Committee recently. This written proposal was distributed to the Directors immediately upon its receipt by FAX and copying for distribution. Mr. Bradford stated that he believed all Directors had seen the DCCA proposal and no Director disputed that comment.

Mr. Bradford reported that the site is located in Southwest Illinois near the small town of Sparta, approximately sixty (60) miles southeast of St. Louis-Lambert Airport, and approximately fourteen (14) miles from a new airport under development, named MidAmerica Airport. The site is approximately two and three-quarters (2¾) miles long running east to west, and approximately one-half (½) mile deep, all facing north. The length of the site lends itself well to a single shooting line, and its configuration and topography lends itself very well to design and utilization as a multi-use facility. There is power to the site, and a four (4) inch municipal waterline runs to the property.

The property consists of approximately thirteen hundred (1300) acres and, as Attachment B shows, the property can be obtained by ATA at no cost. The cost of the land would be paid fifty percent (50%) by the State of Illinois through the Governors Open Land Trust Program, and fifty percent (50%) provided through Illinois FIRST FUNDS in the form of a grant and made available by a state senator and a state representative both from the site district. Additional funds up to \$500,000.00 may be available for infrastructure construction in the form of a grant, and additional financial assistance from the State may be available by low interest loan as a tourism oriented project. Residents of the Sparta, Illinois area are very excited about the prospect of ATA relocation there because of the creation of jobs and the expected influx of tourists utilizing the ATA facility

The most apparent weakness and downside of the Sparta, Illinois site is the lack of amenities such as motels, restaurants, shopping areas, medical facilities, and other necessary businesses and amenities. It is anticipated that when MidAmerica Airport begins full operation, and if ATA relocates there, necessary amenities and businesses will be built in sufficient numbers to accommodate ATA needs. However, there is no assurance that this will be done within any necessary time frame.

Mr. Bradford reviewed the written proposal, Attachment B hereto, and made comments he deemed appropriate.

SHELBYVILLE, INDIANA ATTACHMENT C

The written proposal, Attachment C hereto, was provided by Shelby County Development Corporation and contains comprehensive information regarding this site. The site is known as "Fuller Farms" and consists of approximately (980) acres. The site is quite level and is aesthetically pleasing. The land is expensive, but a substantial package has been assembled from the area, including Indiana State Trapshooting Association, and approximately \$6,000,000.00 has been pledged to assist with purchase and development costs. The site is approximately twenty (20) miles southeast of Indianapolis, Indiana and eighty-three (83) miles northwest of Cincinnati, Ohio. There are three hundred (300) motel rooms in Shelbyville, Indiana and unlimited hotel and motel facilities of all descriptions and price ranges in Indianapolis. Amenities and necessary facilities are not an adverse issue at this location. Additional support can be expected from the City of Indianapolis, which promotes itself as the "Sports Capital of the United States".

The configuration and size of the property lends itself to development as a multi-use facility. However, the configuration of the property is such that dual or parallel shooting lines would be necessary. The configuration of the property and a treeline on the property could separate the dual shooting lines for safety and distraction of competitors from shooting line to shooting line. The size of the property limits future expansion and careful design may be necessary in order to properly locate multi-use areas, vendor space, parking, and other necessary use areas.

Mr. Bradford reviewed the written proposal, Attachment C hereto, and made comments he deemed appropriate.

Past President Bradford indicated that his report was concluded and he asked for any questions. Mr. Bradford or a member of the Executive Committee responded to all questions, including the following:

Mr. Sherrod of Texas asked for distances to hotels, restaurants, and other amenities at the Indiana and Illinois sites. Mr. Bradford responded that approximately 300 motel rooms and a large number of restaurants are located in Shelbyville, Indiana, within a very few miles from the proposed site. Additionally, other relatively small towns containing restaurants and lodging are located near the proposed site, and Indianapolis is approximately 20 miles from the site via four lane highway and facilities and amenities in Indianapolis are basically unlimited. With regard to the Illinois site, the Sparta, Illinois area is undeveloped and there are few motels and restaurants in Sparta and in other small towns near the proposed site. The nearest concentration of necessary facilities and amenities presently are in St. Louis, approximately 60 miles distant by two lane highway, but it is anticipated that as MidAmerica Airport develops, necessary facilities and amenities will be built in that area which is approximately 14 miles from the proposed site.

Mr. Weikum from Illinois commented that it is unknown at this time how many traps ATA will utilize at its new facility, wherever it may be located.

Mr. Reed from Wyoming asked how much land is used by ATA at its present facility at Vandalia, Ohio. Executive Director Norris responded that approximately 300 acres are in use at this facility, most of which is leased from the City of Dayton and Dayton Airport, and a portion is owned in fee by ATA.

Mr. Thyer from Iowa asked, of the three (3) proposed sites, which is the most economically viable for ATA. Mr. Bradford responded that at this time not enough information has been developed to make that calculation.

Mr. Henson from Oregon directed his question to Executive Director Norris, and asked whether one of the three (3) proposed sites is favored by current ATA Staff and Executive Committee over the others. Mr. Norris responded that the Executive Committee will make its recommendation when the questions are concluded.

President Holcomb resumed Chair of the meeting and expressed appreciation and thanks to Past President Bradford for his efforts as Chairman of the Relocation Committee and commended him for his thorough and forthright report to the Directors. President Holcomb asked for any other questions or comments.

Mr. Moore from Indiana commented on current development and possibilities for success of ATA if relocation is made to Shelby County, Indiana. Mr. Moore stated that he wanted to reassure the Directors that the people and administrators of Shelby County and the City of Shelbyville, Indiana will do whatever they can to facilitate relocation of ATA to that area.

President Holcomb informed the Directors that the three (3) proposed sites have been thoroughly considered by the Executive Committee and the Executive Committee unanimously makes the following recommendation:

Based on information available and after examination of the Indiana property, the Executive Committee recommends the site in Illinois with the site in Indiana as alternate. No other sites are considered acceptable at this time.

Mr. McHugh of New York made the following Motion:

Move that the Directors accept the Executive Committee recommendation of the Illinois site for relocation of ATA facilities, and that the Executive Committee is authorized and instructed to investigate and perform appropriate due diligence investigation for that property, and, if acceptable, acquire that property for ATA upon such terms as they deem expedient and in the best interests of the Corporation.

Mr. Mitchell of Florida seconded the Motion.

President Holcomb asked for discussion on the Motion.

Mr. Gillette from Minnesota asked what does the Motion authorize the Executive Committee to do. President Holcomb responded that it authorized the Executive Committee to proceed to investigate and acquire the Illinois property if they determined it to be the proper action to take by ATA.

Mr. Ireland from Virginia commented that the final decision should be made by the Delegates.

Mr. Sherrod from Texas questioned why five (5) men want to undertake the responsibility. He stated that he believed there needs to be an open vote on all issues.

Mr. Henson from Oregon stated that he agreed with Mr. Sherrod, however, to wait another year until the next Annual Meeting for final decision to be made by the Directors appears to be too long a time. He stated that more financial information is needed before any final decision can be made.

Mr. McHugh stated that his Motion is by no means intended to take away any Director's right to express their opinion by vote or otherwise. Mr. McHugh stated that President-elect Wright has promised all Eastern Zone Delegates that he would listen to all Eastern Zone ATA Members and he would not vote against their wishes. Mr. McHugh further stated that he has

trusted Past President Bradford and the Executive Committee to this point in relocation efforts, and he believes that the Directors must continue to trust these men to do their job in the best interest of ATA.

Mr. Weikum from Illinois stated that he agreed with Mr. McHugh's comments.

President Holcomb called for vote on Mr. McHugh's Motion. The Motion FAILED by majority vote NO against the Motion.

President Holcomb recessed the meeting, and called the meeting back to order at 11:07 pm EDT.

Eastern Zone Vice-President Wright stated that he wanted to clarify the process, and explained why the Executive Committee recommended the Illinois site over the Indiana and Amarillo sites. The reasons included: a single shooting line to accommodate as many traps as ATA requires is possible at the Illinois site, but dual or parallel shooting lines would be required at the Indiana site; St. Louis, Missouri and Indianapolis, Indiana provide access to consumer and corporate markets that will be required to support a multi-use facility; the Indiana site has adequate necessary facilities and amenities available at this time, and the Illinois site is expected to have these facilities and amenities in the foreseeable future; future expansion is limited at the Indiana site, and the Executive Committee and the Directors must consider the future of ATA and expansion of trapshooting and other shooting sports, and its facility, when final site selection is made. Vice-President Wright stated that Mr. McHugh's Motion was intended to address these concerns and necessary matters all of which were previously considered by the Executive Committee, and after such consideration the Executive Committee unanimously made the recommendation announced by President Holcomb.

Mr. Weikum of Illinois made the following Motion:

The recommendation of the Executive Committee of the Illinois site as the primary site with the Indiana site as alternate, allow six (6) months for the Executive Committee to complete necessary due diligence investigation, and then have a ballot vote of the Directors on the viability of each site for ATA relocation.

Mr. Murphy of Wisconsin seconded this Motion.

President Holcomb asked for discussion.

Mr. McHugh from New York spoke in support of the Motion.

Mr. Ireland from Virginia stated that on the ballot vote electronic signatures should be acceptable. Secretary Melton responded that electronic voting and electronic signatures are not authorized by ATA By-Laws, specifically or by inference, and electronic signatures on any ballot vote by Directors should not be allowed. ATA By-Laws as well as Federal and State Laws should be strictly followed and adhered to in all matters regarding ATA relocation.

Additional discussion and comments from various Directors occurred.

President Holcomb briefly recessed the meeting.

After recess, Mr. Weikum from Illinois withdrew his Motion made prior to the recess, and Mr. Murphy from Wisconsin withdrew his second to that Motion.

Mr. Reed from Wyoming made the following Motion:

The ATA shall consider no property for relocation that requires a dual shooting line. Ms. Williamson from California seconded this Motion.

President Holcomb asked for discussion on the Motion.

Mr. Jones from Colorado spoke in support of the Motion.

Vice-President Wright from New Hampshire spoke in opposition to the Motion, and described the topography and configuration of the proposed Indiana site.

President Holcomb called for a vote on Mr. Reed's Motion. On vote by show of hands the Motion FAILED by a majority NO vote. (NO-25/YES-21)

President Holcomb invited Mr. Don Bowles from Kentucky, who was attending the meeting as an observer, to speak and address the matter of due diligence. Mr. Bowles informed the Directors that properly performed due diligence investigation is time consuming, and expensive. Mr. Bowles advised against performing due diligence investigation of the proposed relocation sites.

Mr. McHugh from New York made the following Motion:

This Motion will require two (2) votes. THE FIRST VOTE will be to eliminate one (1) of the three (3) proposed relocation sites under consideration at this meeting. The two (2) proposed sites which receive the largest numbers of votes will be further considered, and the proposed site with the lowest number of votes will be eliminated from consideration. THE SECOND VOTE will be between the two (2) proposed sites not eliminated, and the proposed site which receives the majority of votes cast is the primary relocation site and the other site is the alternate site if the primary site is determined not to be acceptable. The Executive Committee is instructed to perform due diligence investigation regarding the primary site, and the Executive Committee is authorized to purchase that property for ATA if they determine the property is acceptable to ATA after their due diligence investigation has been completed. In the event the primary site is determined to be unacceptable, the Executive Committee is instructed to perform due diligence investigation regarding the alternate site, and the Executive Committee is authorized to purchase that property for ATA if they determine the property is acceptable to ATA after their due diligence investigation has been completed.

Mr. McHugh requested roll call votes.

Mr. Yanchok from New Jersey seconded this Motion, and he likewise requested roll call votes.

President Holcomb called for discussion and there was none. President Holcomb called for roll call votes on Mr. McHugh's Motion, with the votes recorded by ATA Secretary Melton.

On the first vote to eliminate one (1) of the three (3) sites under consideration, the proposed site at Shelbyville, Indiana was eliminated. The roll call vote was as follows: Illinois-29; Amarillo-12; Indiana-11; Abstention-1. (The original roll call vote record is attached to the original copy of these Minutes as Attachment D.)

On the second vote, between the Sparta, Illinois site and the Amarillo, Texas site, the site receiving the majority of Directors' votes will be the primary site chosen by the Directors, and the other site will be the alternate site if the primary site is determined to be unacceptable. The Executive Committee is instructed to perform due diligence investigation on the site selected as the primary site, and the Executive Committee is authorized to purchase that site

if, after completing its due diligence investigation, it determines the site, in its opinion, is acceptable for ATA relocation purposes. In the event the primary site is determined to be unacceptable, the Executive Committee is instructed to perform due diligence investigation on the alternate site, and the Executive Committee is authorized to purchase that site for ATA if it determines the property is acceptable to ATA after its due diligence investigation is completed. On a roll call vote the Sparta, Illinois site received the majority of votes cast, and is selected as the primary site for ATA relocation, and the Amarillo, Texas site is selected as the alternate site for ATA relocation. The roll call vote was as follows: Sparta, Illinois-40; Amarillo, Texas-12; Abstention-1. (The original roll call vote record is attached to the original copy of these Minutes as Attachment E.)

To confirm selection of the Sparta, Illinois site as the primary site and the Amarillo, Texas site as the alternate site, and the instructions to the Executive Committee regarding both sites, and specifically to confirm the authority granted to the Executive Committee to purchase either the primary or alternate property, each Director or Alternate attending this meeting and voting by roll call votes, or abstaining from voting, confirmed their votes and confirmed the authority granted to the Executive Committee by their signatures on a list of States and Provinces. That original list of States and Provinces containing original signatures of the Delegates or Alternates attending this meeting and voting by roll call votes is attached to the original copy of these Minutes as Attachment F.

President Holcomb called for any other Unfinished Business, and there was none.

12. FOR THE GOOD OF THE CORPORATION:

Mr. Ford of Connecticut complimented all Directors and others who participated at this meeting for their work done. Additionally, Mr. Ford asked that the following statement be included in his comments:

I respectfully urge the Executive Committee to convene a Constitutional Convention no later than the end of Target Year 2003 committed to restructuring the hierarchy of our sport in order to better conduct the day-to-day affairs of the Corporation. More specifically, this Convention would dedicate itself to major revisions of our Constitution and By-Laws that would effectively empower and compel continuing Executive Committees to formulate cohesive goals and demand the due diligence of all employees hired and assigned the responsibility of planning and executing these directives.

13. ADJOURNMENT:

On unanimous Motion to adjourn by the Directors, unanimous second, and after unanimous vote in favor by all Directors present, President Holcomb adjourned this 2001 Annual Meeting of the Directors of AMATEUR TRAPSHOOTING ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA at 12:45 am EDT, August 17, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. MELTON
ATA Secretary

SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

The undersigned, duly appointed Secretary of the AMATEUR TRAPSHOOTING ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA, certifies:

1. Notice of the annual Meeting of the Board of Directors of the AMATEUR TRAPSHOOTING ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA, commencing August 16, 2001, at Vandalia,

Ohio, was properly given.

2. At the Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors of the AMATEUR TRAPSHOOTING ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA a quorum was constituted in accordance with Notice.

ROBERT E. MELTON
SECRETARY