

El Dorado Hills Bowmen (EDHB)
Board Meeting Minutes
March 16, 2022

The regular Members' Meeting was cancelled this month due to insufficient notice and because a number of Board Members were unable to attend. This spontaneous Board Meeting was called to inform on progress on issues and projects which required immediate attention over the past two months. The meeting was held at 3321 El Dorado Hills Blvd., El Dorado Hills, CA, in the EDHB Storage Building.

Prior to the official start of the meeting, Mr. Bill Peterson asked for a few minutes of indulgence. As outgoing President, he had intended to thank various individuals who had aided him in attaining the goals he had set during his tenure. Unfortunately, the various Covid restrictions delayed his previous attempts and he wanted to do so at this juncture. Bill recounted various member's contributions, graciously expressed his thanks, then roused significant jealousy by giving each a very coveted TopHAT Arrow Puller. Thank you for your leadership and we're glad to see you out shooting as a "regular Joe."

1) Call to Order

Mr. James Myers presided and called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM.

2) Attendance

The following were in attendance: VP Events James Myers (Acting President), Treasurer David McReynolds, Secretary Sal Segura, Range Manager Greg Landon, and Member-at-Large Joe Pettus. Members Rob Kunstel, Kerry Gragg and Bill Peterson also attended the meeting.

3) Treasurer's Report

- a) David reported that Club funds are in good shape. Membership income amounted to just over \$14,000 since the first of the year. Recent significant expenditures included final payment to SWC Fabrication for the metal tank enclosure (\$1,735); purchase of primer/paint for the same (\$763); payment for weed control (\$2,495); cost of rental for the tractor (\$1,473 – with another \$1,300 pending for the earthmover); and delivery of road base (\$1,976). Pending expenditures include the purchase of concrete and lumber to complete the Sight-In Range 80 and 100 target enclosures, which is estimated at about \$600. We also have yet to pay for the replacement target butts ordered over six months ago, since they have not yet arrived (\$2,700, including delivery).
- b) Dave added that funds in the Friends of El Dorado Hills Public Archery Range (FEDHPAR) account are also healthy. While we are still awaiting tax exempt status from the State of California, we can start using these assets as intended.
- c) It was noted that the Club also holds limited funds in the Community Services District's (CSD) Foundation account, though these are slated for use in upgrading the Clubhouse doors.

4) Secretary's Report – Sal presented the following figures since the last report and year-to-date:

	Memberships (Total Members)	Board/Life	Family	Senior	Adult	Youth
Last Period	85	0	37	22	24	2
YTD	229 (496)	18	87	60	60	4

Overall membership numbers continue an upward trend over the previous two years, with many of them including family members. There was a significant surge in memberships over the past month, due in part to the gate code being changed.

Because of the large numbers, there were some delays in getting membership packets out; however, the backlog has been addressed and in the interim, those awaiting their packets were provided with the gate code via email.

5) Old Business

- a) Memorials – Joe Pettus related he continues to explore a source for a memorial bench, as well as benches for typical use (one style has been purchased and sits in the Storage Building awaiting assembly). He contacted the CSD to see if they have some suggestions and in the hope they might allow the Club to piggy-back on their superior buying power to obtain better prices.
- b) Boy Scouts of America (BSA) Eagle Project – Joe also reported that he has had several conversations with Tom Grube Jr. concerning a suitable project for his son. While this project was initially linked to developing a personal memorial to Tom Grube Sr., the two ventures have been split. The Club had proposed several ideas, including erecting a stone monument to which various existing and future memorial plaques could be attached. Tom Jr. indicated the Scouts cannot handle that large a project, citing difficulties bringing troop members in from Granite Bay on multiple occasions. Tom's alternative ideas included building a third bulletin board to place near the CSD Range, or adding a walkway from the roadway to the CSD Range. If the latter, he would then place a memorial bench along the path as a tribute to Tom Sr.

It was generally agreed that there is no need for a third bulletin board - if one is desired near the CSD Range, the one standing near the Storage Building can be relocated. With regards to the path, Tom's proposal is that the Club handle the leveling and concrete work and the BSA will bring in decomposed granite to complete it. It was felt that the Club would not really benefit from the path, and that the bulk of the design and physical work should be handled by the BSA, not the EDHB.

Several alternative ideas were floated, with a final determination that the project be focused on the Kiddie Range. This range will require an arrow backstop, like that previously built by the BSA on the CSD Range. This project would fit the practical needs of the Club, and better match the requirements of an Eagle Scout project. Joe will approach Tom Jr. with the alternative proposal.

- c) Website Revamp – Sal related that while the Board reallocated monies for resumption of the Website revamp project, the Webmaster has not been available to do more than preliminary work, due to other projects.

6) New Business

- a) National Field Archery Association (NFAA) Range Inspection – Sal was contacted by the NFAA inspector, Mr. Tex Musser, who offered to allow the Club to conduct its own inspection this year. Mr. Musser suggested the Club follow the outline of his previous years' on-site inspections in determining the appropriate ratings. Sal and Mr. Landon completed the inspection last week. Given the continued improvements, especially the recently enhanced parking area, the overall score increased by two points – making it eligible for a continued a 4-Star Rating. The documents have been submitted to the NFAA Director for final approval.
- b) Vice President, Marketing Position Vacancy – The impacts of this long-term vacancy have been exacerbated by the more recent void in the President's position. Several months ago, Mr. McReynolds and Sal met with long-time member Irene Hashimoto, who expressed interest in filling it. Sal proposed the Board decide on her suitability and confirmation.

The Board unanimously voted to appoint Ms. Hashimoto to the position. Mr. Myers will call and further discuss the appointment and accompanying duties with her.

- c) Leadership – Given the President’s position vacancy, Sal asked for guidance concerning the means to address important issues/decisions which come up between Board/Membership Meetings. It was determined that when a decision needs to be made, consensus should be sought through communications via the email system.

Additionally, Mr. Pettus assumed responsibility for serving as the Club’s primary liaison with the CSD – a role which he has already been handling informally.

- d) Emergency Cell Phone – Following the Broadhead Incident, several members became concerned over not having an EDHB phone number to report immediate emergencies (fires, accidents, range misuse, etc.). The number posted on the gate is monitored by James, is not answered immediately and we do not want to saddle James with additional calls.

At the time, an Emergency Phone, which is restocked with minutes on a quarterly basis, was purchased. The original idea was that its number would be posted and the device rotated among Board and Key Members, who would be responsible for monitoring it. This would keep Club leadership aware of, and involved in, critical incidents. For a variety of reasons, this procedure and the phone were not put into play at the time. With the change in Board make-up, Sal wished to bring the original proposal up for review. Cost of the phone was under \$50 and renewing the minutes amounts to under \$50 every two months.

It was decided the Emergency Phone idea should be scrapped. Most attendees felt emergencies should be reported directly to the authorities and that posting the phone number might lead to misdirection or confusion.

The Cell Phone will be stored and no longer stocked with minutes.

7) Maintenance Projects

- a) Levelling the Clubhouse Area – This project was modified to include levelling the member parking area, in part, due to the fill delivery drivers’ reluctance to dump loads behind the Clubhouse, because of the uneven terrain. Rob Kunstel and Kerry Gragg worked hard over the past few weeks to level the fill delivered thus far, to cut an access along the side to the rear of the Clubhouse, then to spread road base in the parking area and thinning areas along the road. The new access and smoother terrain behind the Clubhouse will enable further fill to be delivered.
- b) Workdays - Cancellation of the January Workday resulted in several maintenance tasks falling into arrears. It was proposed that pending the April Workday, we prepare the necessary materials and for the more general tasks. To this end, Greg, Rob and Kerry will be overseeing an impromptu workday on Saturday, the 19th. Tasks will likely include cutting/assembling components for the target frames; setting forms for the Sight-in Range’s 100/80 target housings and relocating the backing for these same targets; and sprucing up the CSD Range. This preparation should allow the general April 9th Workday to be much more productive.
- c) Target Butt Replacements – Though ordered over six months ago, replacements for the broadhead-damaged target backers have still not arrived. Bill Peterson contacted the vendor again and was told there had been significant delays in obtaining the foam material from the manufacturer; however, it has now arrived, and the butts are in the process of being made.
- d) Water Tank Enclosure – This structure is finally up and only needs to be painted. The primer/paint have been purchased and await the proper weather/temperatures and a source of elbow grease for their application.

8) Events

- a) Members' Dinner – James went over plans for the Members' Dinner, scheduled for April 8th. All arrangements have been made with the venue and the Culinary School. The only sticking point is that the Club will be unable to supply alcohol, due to insurance requirements. Mr. Todd Stevens continues to work on the Silent Auction fundraiser. He has secured some additional donations from both members and vendors. James indicated that 26 adult and two childrens' entries have been purchased. It is hoped that more will sign up over the next few weeks, as a larger attendance will help make the Silent Auction a bigger success. The website will be changed to make entry purchases, Greg will post to the event to Facebook, and Todd will send out a Chimpmail reminder. Ms. Hashimoto may have other ideas to publicize/promote the event
- b) 3D Shoot – James gave an overview of this event, scheduled for May 1, 2022. Given the impending Members' Dinner, it was his suggestion to wait until the dinner is over to start advertising and recruiting for the 3D Shoot. He reminded everyone that we have some key volunteer slots to fill, including those for Registration and Cooking. We are hoping there are members able and willing to step up to handle these important jobs.
- c) CSD Employees' Outing – Mr. Pettus was contacted by the CSD, which is asking to have the Club host another shoot for their staff. Several dates convenient to them were proposed. Typically, these events only require the Club provide the facility, materials and instructors. The CSD arranges for their own food. After some wrangling, it was decided the event should be held on April 19th from 10:30 AM - 2:30 PM. Joe will coordinate further with CSD representatives.
- d) Members' Monthly Shoots – Mr. McReynolds reported that we had 13 people attend the first shoot and the event went smoothly. A box for depositing entry fee/scorecards has been placed at the Clubhouse and it is hoped participation will grow. The next shoot is slated for April 16th.
- e) CSD/EDHB Archery Classes - James reported these introductory classes are back in full force, seven are now scheduled for the year, with two coming up in April. He also asked for input concerning the new CSD agreement, which proposes a change in the portion of the fee percentage allotted to the Club.
- f) Private Archery Instruction at the Range – We have at least two members using the Facility for private archery lessons. While the Club wishes to promote the sport, there have been times when these private events interfered with range use by members and/or the public. It is important that whoever coordinates these private events work with the Board to minimize conflicts, and since these are for-profit events, that the Range receives some financial benefit (for instance, through *instructor collection* of the range use donation).

James indicated he has a private group coming in on April 27th from 1-3 PM. There are no apparent conflicts, and the use has been entered into the Club Calendar.

9) Good of the Order

- a) Sal proposed the Board consider alternative venues in which to hold Member/Board Meetings. Prior to Covid, many meetings were held at restaurants. This promoted informal interaction through shared meals/drinks, etc. He also pointed out that there is no Bylaw restriction on when meetings are held: some Board members are unable to regularly attend meetings on the 2nd Wednesday of the month and an adjustment might increase attendance. Finally, he suggested the Board more diligently provide notice of the meeting dates/cancellations. Ideally, a date for the following meeting should be announced at the end of the current meeting.

There was no immediate decision made concerning changing the venue of the meetings, though there was consensus that meeting information should be made available as early as possible. The next meeting date was set for April 20, 2022, at the Range.

- b) Sal reminded Board members that they all have access to the Club Calendar, and that they should be entering scheduled maintenance, events, and other instances where range use might be impacted into it. Some Board members indicated they had not been aware of the calendar. Sal will send Board and Key members another invitation to share it.

10) **Adjournment** – James adjourned the meeting at 7:47 PM.