

NFAA Annual Meeting April 25, 2015

NFAA Headquarters, Yankton South Dakota

Report of the Massachusetts Director, Paul E. Lewkowicz

I attended the above-noted meeting representing the Archers of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The following is my report of events.

Bruce Cull, President, made the opening remarks. Thirty-eight (38) states were represented at the meeting. States not in attendance were New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont, Oregon, Washington, Wyoming, Georgia, N. Carolina, Alabama, and Ohio.

The full minutes are available on the NFAA website (under “Documents”) and in the second quarter issue of *Archery* magazine.

Financially, 2014 was the NFAA’s best year ever. The number of shooters was up at all levels and disciplines.

This report discusses only the significant proposals that were adopted by the full Board. For ease of reference, each proposal listed below begins with the Agenda Item code. For the full text, please see the official Meeting Minutes to be published in the next issue of *Archery* magazine.

CA-1 Traditional Archers may shoot from Youth stakes. For all shoots below Sectional level, Clubs shall have discretion to set stakes

CO-1 Adds Equipment Failure rule for NFAA 900 Round (was previously not included).

MA-1 Clarifies Animal Round scoring. The arrow shaft need only touch the line to score the higher value.

Pro-1, -2, & -3 Clarifies that Pros must be dues-paying NFAA Pro Division members in order to compete in Pro Divisions. Removes ambiguity in prior versions of By-laws.

Pro-5 Change to Pro Dress Code. Removes pants color restriction (but jeans are still not allowed). Adds prohibition on camo clothing.

SD-1 Adds warning and removal penalties for “sky drawing.” Competitors to be allowed one warning.

MI-3 Bans personal music players on the shooting line, in both official practice and competition.

MI-4 Limits equipment failure to one occasion per shooting day in all rounds. Previously only limited in the Outdoor round.

FL-12 Shooters shall switch top for bottom/bottom for top at the half in the NFAA Indoor Round. Not previously specified.

CI-1 (Certified Instructor Committee) The new 2015 Certified Instructor Program will be added to the NFAA Policy section; implementation details are still being worked out.

RIC 2014-4 Stick-on rests and cushion plungers are held **ILLEGAL** in the Longbow style of competition.

RIC-2014-6 SURE-LOC “Lethal Weapon” (with Retinal Loc) Bowsight or the “IQ Micro Bowsight” (with Retina Lock Technology) are **LEGAL** in the Bowhunter Freestyle/Bowhunter Freestyle Limited styles of competition only if the sight has four (4) pins or less.

RIC 2015-1 The “Square Up” sight is **ILLEGAL** in the Bowhunter Freestyle/Bowhunter Freestyle Limited styles of competition.

Financial Report

A budget for the next fiscal year, October 1, 2015 to September 30, 2016, was discussed and adopted. This budget projects \$817K of income versus \$724K of expenses for NFAA of US, Inc. (Note that, since the WAF has been dissolved and taken over by the NFAA Foundation, the revenues and expenses for the WAF are consolidated in the NFAA Foundation financials and *not* included in these numbers.)

All of our National and Sectional tournaments made money in 2014, except for the IFAA World Indoor – which only lost \$1,646. Taken together, our tournaments showed a profit of \$214K on revenue of 374K. Assets and cash flows are excellent.

Next Director’s Meeting

The Board voted to have the next meeting in two years (2017) at a time and place to be determined by the Council. The Board strongly prefers a February meeting, but it is unlikely to take place in conjunction with the Vegas Shoot.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:20 PM.