

Minutes from the Arizona Division Meeting, May 2019

- Secretary's Report, followed by a discussion of division statistics
- Discussed items:
 - Conversion of non-competitive members to competitive as soon as they are ready to compete
 - Youth tournaments vs including in open events at age 13
- Treasurer's Report
 - Corporation Commission Filing
 - Discussion of things to focus funds towards that benefit all Division clubs
 - Advertising
 - Possibility of hosting a NAC
 - Referee Clinics/ Ratings
 - Equipment
 - 2 extra floor cords
 - Mask punch
 - Shims
- Officer Voting
 - 9 members present, and 19 proxies, 28 total votes
 - Secretary, unopposed
 - 28 votes for Eileen Festin
 - Treasurer, unopposed
 - 28 votes for Charlie King
 - Vice Chair, unopposed
 - 27 votes for Austin Carter
 - 1 abstain
 - Chair, unopposed
 - 28 votes for James Fowler
- Other items
 - No longer associating with the Grand Canyon State Games
 - Division typically sends all proceeds from this event to the GCSG, and does not see any return on the investment
 - Instead this tournament will be called The Arizona State Championships and will keep the proceeds as income for the Division.
 - In the scheduling email, we will be asking politely that unsanctioned events not be held on the same day as sanctioned ones
 - Discussion of bringing in a qualified observer to run a referee clinic and observe Arizona referees
 - Discussion of attendance per tournament numbers and the hosting of multi-weapon tournaments, to increase turnouts

- Discussion of hosting more Div3, E and Under, and (unsanctioned) novice events, to promote growth
- Discussion of creating the email list based on signups from the division website, to streamline the division newsletter emailing list
- We will be reaching out to clubs to gather information on possible venues for Summer National Qualifiers and JO Qualifiers
- We will be bringing in a referee for Summer National Qualifiers and possibly for the less-attended JO Qualifiers.
- Tournament hosts MUST be sure to designate a medical person at each tournament.
 - The division has had 3 significant medical emergencies in the past year, and although unlikely, it is best to be prepared.
 - This person does not have to have a medical background but serves as a first responder/ 911 caller.
- The Arizona Division has received permission to test a new tournament format in the next year.
 - Super pools of 12 to 23 competitors with DE's fenced from the table of 4 or the table of 8.
 - Must be announced in advance of the date of the tournament
- Tournament scheduling guidelines
 - Max tournaments held by a single club raised to 4, during the regular season from September through May.
 - Discussion of changing the scheduling procedures in the future.