

DAKOTA TERRITORY GUN COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes: December 16, 2025

Doubletree by Hilton Conference Room

505 North 5th Street, Rapid City, SD

President Keith Hakeman called the meeting to order at 8:45 a.m. President Hakeman recognized a quorum with the following eight (8) board members present: Wally Darkow, Clay Walberg, Robert Lee, Wayne Duncan, Darnell Boeckel, Daethal Dockter and Mike Seaburg. Excused were Board Members Dan Brenner and William Eudy. Special Guests present were Board Attorney Debra Watson and Bookkeeper/Accountant Sheila Jackson. For the sake of the guests, the Board Members each introduced themselves and stated their hometown.

There were no additions or corrections to the Agenda. The Agenda, as submitted, was unanimously adopted by concurrence.

The approval of Minutes from the July 19, 2025 Board Meeting was deferred to the next board meeting.

The engagement letter of DTGCA with Bookkeeper/Accountant Sheila Jackson was presented to the Board. Accountant Jackson reviewed with the Board her duties and summarized her work to date. Discussion was had regarding making the engagement retroactive to 8-1-2025 when Accountant Jackson first began her duties with DTGCA. Daethal moved approval of the engagement letter with retroactive date. Clay seconded. Passed unanimously. President Hakeman signed the Engagement Letter and it is attached to the minutes of this board meeting.

Accountant Sheila Jackson provided an oral report of the 2025 financials. The 2025 DTGCA accounts have been consolidated into one account. Accountant Jackson is creating a Quickbooks program for DTGCA with the 2025 records. The 2024 records were amended to include 2024 entries which were contained in the 2025 financials. Once all of the entries are entered, the 2025 financials will be submitted to the board for approval and made available to the members. DTGCA has a balance in the checking account of \$116,287.79, a balance in the money market account of \$104,593.50 and a CD with \$75,000 for a total bank balance of \$295,881.29. Wally moved approval of the financial report, Clay seconded. Passed unanimously.

Accountant Jackson presented a proposed DTGCA Accounting Policy. The board requested that under Cash Receipts, the words "minimum of" be inserted under "Cash collected at gun shows." The Accounting Policy also included forms entitled "Show & Date" Admissions Form, "Show & Date" Membership form, "Show Cash Tally, Admissions, Tables, Memberships, Merchandise" and "Reimbursement Request." The purpose of the forms were primarily to ensure uniformity and accountability. After discussion, Wally moved approval of the DTGCA Accounting Policy and forms, Clay seconded. Passed unanimously.

There are 4 open DTGCA board positions to be filled at the January 31, 2026 annual meeting. Pursuant to the DTGCA Bylaws, Vice President Mike Seaburg moves into the position of President and President Keith Hakeman becomes Past President. DTGCA's annual meeting is scheduled for January 31, 2026 in Aberdeen, SD. At the Annual Meeting, DTGCA will be electing the following board members: North Dakota, South Dakota, At Large and a VP from South Dakota. President Hakeman appointed Mike Seaburg and Robert Lee to be on a standing committee to recommend DTGCA members to fill the vacancies. Nominations to fill these vacancies can also be made from the floor at the Annual Meeting.

To ensure an orderly annual meeting, the Board discussed a "Policy for Decorum at Annual Meetings". Clay moved approval, Mike seconded and the attached Policy for Decorum for Annual Meetings was approved unanimously.

A newsletter will be prepared in December to be mailed to the members in early January 2026 to include the December meeting minutes, approved new policies of DTGCA, standing committee recommendations and news about DTGCA.

The Board discussed the following changes to the DTGCA ByLaws regarding Show Rules of Conduct. Other than on duty law enforcement, no loaded firearms are allowed at any gun show. All firearms are to be tied so they are incapable of discharging. No loose ammunition or black powder is allowed. No loaded magazines or speed loaders, except those normally sold with ammo by vendors or purchased at the gun show. There will be no open carry or concealed firearms allowed inside the show. These rules will be enforced by the DTGCA Board. Anyone violating these rules will be prevented entrance or removed by the Show Manager. The first violation will result in suspension of a member or disqualification of a vendor for the following 12 months. The second violation will result in permanent termination of the member or vendor. Mike moved that the foregoing policy be submitted to the membership as a Bylaw revision DTGCA Bylaws. Clay seconded. Approved unanimously to submit to the Membership for discussion and approval.

Mike moved that the Canton trap club handle the set up and tear down for the January Sioux Falls gun show and to receive a \$1,000 donation for their volunteer work. Daethal seconded the motion. Carried unanimously.

A motion was made to allow tables to be reserved for gun shows in advance, but payment cannot be made until 60 days before the show for bookkeeping purposes. Clay seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.

Discussion was had on the concern by the board of the Whistleblowers violation of the DTGCA trademark name and LOGO. Robert moved to invite the Whistleblowers to participate in a mediation to see if agreement can be reached on the issues in dispute. Clay seconded the motion. Passed unanimously. Attorney Watson will reach out to the Whistleblowers and invite them to mediate existing disputes, preferably on or around January 12, 2026 in Aberdeen to make attendance easier for both SD and ND members.

The Board discussed ways to increase DTGCA membership. The Board will be creating an Excel spreadsheet with current members.

The Board discussed handling of Facebook and Social Media accounts. Mike is going to check into this issue and report back to the Board at the next meeting.

The Board discussed revisions to the ByLaws. A proposal will be made to the membership to amend the ByLaws to eliminate the Executive Secretary/Treasurer position and to transfer those duties to the Bookkeeper Accountant with the Secretary/Treasurer to be an unpaid board member.

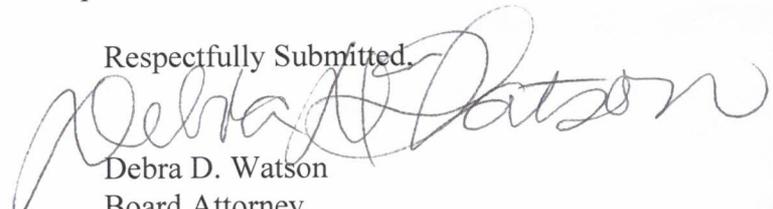
The Board had Amanda Robinson do some transitional work following her resignation as Executive Secretary/Treasurer and she submitted a billing of \$1,950 for her time and expenses. Robert moved approval. Clay seconded. Unanimously approved for President Hakeman to pay this expense.

The Board decided to present five vendor awards at the Sioux Falls Trophy Show: Best of Show, Best Hand Gun, Best Military, Best Long Gun and People's Choice.

The Board considered available dates for the 2027 Sioux Falls gun show. Decision was made to leave the 2027 Sioux Falls Show at the Denny Sanford Center on the first weekend in January, 2027.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Debra D. Watson
Board Attorney