

If you weren't at the January, 2015 SMSC Board of Directors' meeting, then you missed the following:

Board of Directors: (Terms expire 12-31.)

Dean Black (2015), President

Al Wussow (2015), Treasurer

Paul Glowacki (2015) Sfty Cmte

Dale Meyer (2017)

Matt Mattingly (2017), Secretary

Pat Neville (2016)

Ron Ruehmann (2016), Vice-Pres

Mike Woodcock (2015), Treasurer-Elect

Anthony Deveau (2017)

Larry Plank (2016)

Mike Toth (2017) - AWAIR Mgr

Randy Ziemann (2016)

The Treasurer's Report included information about **a fire at the indoor range**, caused by a failing exhaust fan. Members present held the fire to a minimum while the Rochester Fire Department responded. There was no significant damage (other than the fan), and the range has been restored to operational status. This was a good reminder to have all site fire extinguishers inspected, and refilled/updated as needed.

The State of Minnesota has a target of March to begin work on **a bicycle/walking trail across the front of SMSC's property**. Parking and other access to the club may be impacted during this trail construction, and new parking patterns will likely result. Please be patient and careful as the state completes this work. If you have suggestions, concerns, or observations, please contact a member of the board.

A reminder to all members that **SMSC is for members and their guests ONLY**. A member may bring a single guest for no charge. Additional guests must pay the daily fees. Members are responsible for their guests at all times, and must ensure that ALL range rules and procedures are carefully and conscientiously applied. Unescorted non-members who wish to use the range must first complete the SMSC Safety Orientation class, and then may be allowed to use the range if they present their Safety Certification and pay normal fees (\$25/day). Membership fees, range rules, and other important information are available on the club's web site at SMSClub.org.

Be careful on the range property! Ice and snow may be present on the range and walkways. We're all Minnesotans, so be sure you exercise due caution at all times.

There are **plans to update the SMSC web site** in the future. When this occurs, the site will be unavailable. Anyone visiting the site will see an "under construction" (or similar) notice, with a target date for having the site up again.

During our next meeting, the Board will be discussing:

- ideas to generate more membership participation and loyalty
- ease of access to the ranges for those with physical difficulties (arthritis, COPD, heart concerns, etc.)
- keeping members more informed and involved

**Any thoughts on how the club may be more useful or "user-friendly" to members?
PLEASE CONTACT A MEMBER OF THE BOARD WITH YOUR IDEAS!**