

# National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association (NMLRA)

## Meeting Minutes

Sept. 11, 2018

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### I. Call to order

President Joe Hill called the Annual Budget Meeting of the National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association to order at 1:03 pm on September 11, 2018 in the Education Building.

### II. Pledge of Allegiance, Invocation, and Special Messages

President Hill led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary Fleetwood gave the invocation.

President Hill asked everyone to keep Director Dana Dore in their thoughts and prayers as he would be in surgery during the time of the Board meeting.

Mr. Foy asked the Board to recognize the events and victims of 9/11/01 with a moment of silence. The Board observed the moment of silence.

### III. Adoption of the Agenda

**Treasurer Yazel made a motion to strike “Gunsmithing Seminar Proposal” from the agenda and to move his financial report to New Business, seconded by Secretary Fleetwood. Motion passed unanimously.**

### IV. Roll call

Secretary Colton Fleetwood conducted a roll call. The following persons were present:

Board Members: President Joe Hill, Vice-President Brent Steele, Secretary Colton Fleetwood, Treasurer Mike Yazel, Parliamentarian Mike Luma, Jeff Cunningham, Michael Eder, Bill Foy, Alan Hoeweler, Marty Murphy, Mike Weissmann, Ted Blackwell, David DeLong, Rick Weber, Rich Crabtree, Andy Larson, Alliey Nunn, Merle Crane, Roger Spurgeon.

Absent: Dana Dore (excused), Rebecca Waterman (resigned).

*Quorum Present.*

Staff: None.

Guests: Bob Schlegel, Rick Repovsch, Dave Ehrig.

**V. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

Secretary Fleetwood distributed the minutes from the last meeting.

Secretary Fleetwood noted that he corrected the minutes by changing “Mrs.” to “Mr.” Foy under the Section II.

Mr. Eder requested a correction on the time the Board returned from Ex. Session. Secretary Fleetwood noted the time as being 4:51 pm rather than 11:20 am.

Ms. Nunn requested a change of Russ “Reid” to “Reed”.

**Mr. Murphy made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected, seconded by Mr. Foy. Motion passed unanimously.**

**Secretary Fleetwood made a motion to fill the vacancy of Becky Waterman, seconded by Mr. Eder.**

Nominations:

Neil Eddington, accepted. 14 votes

Cal Merritt, accepted. 3 votes

*Neil Eddington was elected to the Board of Directors.*

**Treasurer Yazel made a motion to go into Executive Session at 1:17 pm, seconded by Mr. Eder. Motion passed unanimously.**

The Board returned from Executive Session at 1:37 pm.

**VI. Report of Officers/Committee Reports**

a) **President**

President Hill recognized Rick Repovsch to give a report on the Territorial Program. Mr. Repovsch presented the Board with a proposal to change the structure of the Territorial Program to an added \$7378.00 in income from the 2017 program to the 2019 program.

**Mr. Weissmann made a motion to accept the proposal made by Rick Repovsch for the Territorial Program. Motion passed unanimously.**

President Hill recognized Dave Ehrig, Muzzle Blast Editor and Longhunter Program, to inform the Board about the best way to approach the NMLRA’s presence at SHOT Show. Mr. Ehrig suggestions including only traveling every other year and no longer setting up a Booth at the show due to the lack of payback to the Association.

President Hill noted that SEI Data had installed fiber optic line to the Education Building, however the internet connection had been locked by the FCC due to a user pirating digital content. President Hill suggested that firewall protections and user-unique passwords be used in the future to protect the NMLRA from any liability in the future.

President Hill stated that he had reached an agreement with Beatty Construction on berm and dirt work on the grounds. Beatty has agreed to do the excavation work for a new Running Boar Range next to the Woodswalk where it was originally intended to go. President Hill estimated the savings to be \$100,000.

President Hill told the Board of his meeting with Bill Mapoles, Charlie Maggard, and Bill Loughrige discussing the future of the Western National Shoot.

Mr. Larson presented a proposal for changing the Western National to a shorter event with less NMLRA staff present.

Much discussion took place on the topic of the Western National Shoot, both for and against.

**Mr. Weissmann made a motion to end the Western National Shoot, seconded by Ted Blackwell. Motion passed 18-2.**

**Mr. Cunningham made a motion to not accept Bill Loughrige's alternate proposal in lieu of the Western National Shoot, with the exception of releasing the saved shoot dates, seconded by Secretary Fleetwood. Motion passed unanimously.**

b) **Vice President**

Vice President Brent Steele informed the Board that the Executive Committee had received 3 petitions of handicapped shooters for alternate position waivers. Two (2) of the petition had been approved by the Executive Committee, with one (1) pending completed documentation.

**Treasurer Yazel made a motion to change NMLRA Rule #3070, Physically Handicapped Shooters, to allow waivers to be voted on and approved by the NMLRA National Match Director and Chief Range Officer, seconded by Secretary Fleetwood. Motion passed unanimously.**

c) **Secretary**

Secretary Fleetwood presented the Board with the Powder Sales Schedule.

Secretary Fleetwood informed the Board that he would be working with Staff to establish official NMLRA email for all directors in the near future.

d) **Treasurer**

Treasurer Mike Yazel deferred his report to New Business.

**VII. Committee Reports (For information only)**

Secretary Fleetwood will be sending Committee Reports out to the Board due to a number of late submissions by committees.

**VIII. Election of Officers**

Parliamentarian Mike Luma conducted the elections.

President:                    **Joe Hill, accepted. (18 votes)**

Neil Eddington, declined.

Vice-President:            **Brent Steele, accepted. (19 votes)**

Mike Weissmann, declined.

Secretary:                    **Colton Fleetwood, accepted. (14 votes)**

Karen Latta, accepted.            (6 votes)

Treasurer:                    **Mike Yazel, accepted. (20 votes)**

**IX. Unfinished Business**

None.

**X. New Business**

President Hill noted that Angela Jacobi of Silver Butterfly will be producing “Class-style” NMLRA rings with the NMLRA receiving a portion of the profit. President Hill passed an example around for Board members to see.

Gunmaker’s Hall presented President Hill a proposal for the American Modern Minuteman Scholarship which would send a disabled veteran to the NMLRA Gunsmithing Seminar free of charge. The Board will review the proposal for a final decision to be made at a later date.

Secretary Fleetwood informed the Board of those that filled out Board petition to appear on the upcoming ballot:

Brent Steele                      Bob Sheppard                      Mark Donaldson

Neil Eddington                      Cal Merritt                      E.T. Harrison

Andy Larson

*\* Per the NMLRA Bylaws: Article V, Section 2: "Should the petition process fail to produce at least 8 candidates, the Board of Directors will nominate candidates not to exceed nine (9).\**

Nominations:                      Jerry Von Dielingen

Rick Repovsch

~~Alliey Nunn~~

Alliey Nunn received the lowest number of votes in a runoff to produce 2 nominees and was eliminated.

**Mr. Eder made a motion to go into Executive Session at 5:14 pm, seconded Treasurer Yazel. Motion passed unanimously.**

The Board returned from Executive Session at 6:25 pm.

Mr. Larson asked about online expenses attributed to the budget. Treasurer Yazel noted those costs were to rebuild the website and create online infrastructure.

Secretary Fleetwood passed around a waiver of notice for a meeting of the Board for September 30, 2018 at 9 am in the Education Building.

## **XI. Adjournment**

**Mr. Hoeweler made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Foy. Motion passed.**

*President Hill adjourned the meeting at 6:49 pm.*

Minutes submitted by:

*Colton Fleetwood, Secretary*

Minutes approved by:

*Joe Hill, President*