

National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association (NMLRA)

Meeting Minutes

April 7, 2019

I. Call to order

President Joe Hill called the Annual Budget Meeting of the National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association to order at 10:00 am on April 7, 2019 in the Education Building.

II. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

President Hill led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary Fleetwood gave the invocation.

III. Adoption of the Agenda

Agenda was unanimously adopted by the Board.

IV. Roll call

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

Board Members: President Joe Hill, Secretary Colton Fleetwood, Treasurer Mike Yazel, Parliamentarian Mike Luma, Jeff Cunningham (Acting Vice President), Michael Eder, Bill Foy, Alan Hoeweler, Karen Latta, Marty Murphy, Mike Weissmann, Rick Weber, Rich Crabtree, Alliey Nunn, Merle Crane, Neil Eddington.

Absent: Brent Steele (excused), David DeLong (excused), Andy Larson (excused), Roger Spurgeon (unexcused).

2 vacancies.

Quorum Present.

Staff: Lora Parks (interim office manager).

Guests: Howard Young, Robert Frist, Bob Schlegel, Wayne Michael, Cal Merritt, Aaron Moystner.

V. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Secretary Fleetwood distributed the minutes from the last meeting.

No corrections were presented to the minutes.

Mr. Cunningham made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Foy. Motion passed unanimously.

VI. Report of Officers/Committee Reports

a) **President**

President Hill asked for the Board to fill the two vacancy on the Board of Directors.

Mr. Weber made a motion to fill the vacancy of Ted Blackwell, seconded by Mr. Foy.

Nominations: Art Fleenor – 13 votes

2 invalid votes.

Art Fleenor was elected to the Board.

Secretary Fleetwood made a motion to fill the vacancy of Dana Dore, seconded by Treasurer Yazel.

Nominations: Mark Donaldson – 13 votes

2 invalid votes.

Mark Donaldson was elected to the Board.

Treasurer Yazel made a motion to go into Ex. Session at 10:18 am, seconded by Mr. Eder. Motion passed.

** The Board returned to regular session at 10:54 am. **

President Hill passed out drawings produced by Harry Sparks on a potential design for new restroom facilities.

President Hill informed the Board that he and Secretary Fleetwood had received an email from Scott Pilkington expressing interest in purchasing the NMLRA's stock of John Schipper's Engraving Book. President Hill said he will keep the Board informed of any progression.

President Hill yielded to Lora Parks and she informed the Board that the NMLRA would be hosing classes again during the Spring National Shoot. The classes will be taught by Hugh Tojenes.

Mr. Howeler as the request of President Hill will be looking at the possibilities of future classes to be hosting in the NMLRA Education Building.

Along the with the discussion of classes, the Board discussed and asked the Camping Committee to review the “Subletting Policy” that would add the availability of accommodations for those looking to take NMLRA Classes.

President Hill mentioned to the Board that the NMLRA likely has the ability to take control of the NRA’s Black Powder Target Rifle Program (BPTR). He will keep the Board informed of any progress.

President Hill asked for the Board to allow him to extend licensing rights of NMLRA logos to those seeking to use them.

Mr. Cunningham made a motion to authorize the President and Treasurer to negotiate and enter into agreements with individuals to set up licensing fees for use of NMLRA logos, seconded by Mr. Weissmann. Motion passed unanimously.

President Hill had received a request for scores from the Arizona Western Invitational National Shoot (WINS) to be recorded for NMLRA records. This request was denied.

b) **Vice President**

None.

c) **Secretary**

Secretary Fleetwood asked for everyone to review and email him their preferences for the June Shoot Powder Schedule.

d) **Treasurer**

Treasurer Mike Yazel noted that the NMLRA finances are on a downward trajectory and a loss is expected for FY 2019.

Treasurer Yazel emphasized the need for more events on the NMLRA ground to produce the need cash flow to sustain the organization.

Treasurer Yazel noted that the camping rate increase seems to have had a positive impact, and it is too early to determine the effects of the membership rate increases.

VII. Unfinished Business

Mr. Weber went over a completed financial assessment of the National Shoots.

Mr. Cunningham mentioned that we did not reach the 500 needed signatures for the Indiana specialty plate petitions. We will have forms available at the Spring National Shoot.

Mr. Eder, with help from Secretary Fleetwood, mentioned that he would be bring a spreadsheet and proposal for a flat fee shooter registration.

VIII. New Business

Mr. Weber mentioned the need for simplification needed for the Longhunter and Territorial Programs.

Mr. Weber is also working and planning for the 2019 TN ML History Banquet.

Mr. Weber updated the Board the Creedmoor 150 match that he organized at Oak Ridge.

Mr. Weber is looking into the possibility of the NMLRA hosting a Hawken Match in St. Louis to celebrate Jacob and Sam Hawken.

Mr. Cunningham presented a proposal for a new company to print Muzzle Blasts in the future.

Mr. Cunningham made a motion to accept Breese Printing's proposal to print Muzzle Blasts, seconded by Secretary Fleetwood. Motion accepted unanimously.

President Hill mentioned the range WIFI upgrade will cost an estimated \$8300.

IX. Adjournment

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

President Hill adjourned the meeting at 3:25 pm

Minutes submitted by:

Colton Fleetwood, Secretary

Minutes approved by:

Joe Hill, President