

# **NMLRA BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, September 14, 2022  
NMLRA Education Building, 1:00pm

- I. Call to Order at 1:10pm**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocations**
  - A. Pledge of Allegiance – Mike Yazel
  - B. Invocations – Rich Crabtree
- III. New board members sworn in by Mike Yazel**
  - A. Lora Parks
  - B. Mike Luma
  - C. Neil Eddington
  - D. Mark Donaldson
  - E. Buddy Townsend
  - F. Tippy Curtis
  - G. Rick Repovsch
- IV. Roll call of Officers & Directors**

President – Mike Yazel, 1st Vice President – Rich Crabtree, 2nd Vice President – Michele Meanley, Secretary – Karen Latta, Treasurer – Alan Hoeweler, Jeff Cunningham-Excused, Lora Parks, Arthur Fleener, Marty Murphy, Bill Foy, David DeLong, Tippy Curtis, Rick Weber, Joe Hill-Excused, Neil Eddington, Robin Bonaventura, Mark Donaldson, Mike Luma, Rick Repovsch-Excused, Buddy Townsend, Mike Eder

Quorum Present

Legal Council: Neil Fairweather
- V. Approval of Last Board Meeting Minutes – 6/15/2022**
  - A. Unanimously approved
- VI. Reports of Officers and Staff**
  - A. President
    - a. Gunmakers Fair at Kempton
      - i. Successful show with 60 memberships.
      - ii. Plan to set up again next year.

- b. Youth Hunter Education Challenge “YHEC” – Mike Yazel introduced Jerry Menddorf to present the details.
  - i. Looking for a location to hold their weekend shoot.
  - ii. They will provide their own staff, camping equipment, range officers, etc.
- c. Michele Meanley motioned to support and research having the YHEC “Youth Hunter Education Challenge” to the NMLRA Range and to offer them the NMLRA support to bring the program here.
  - i. Motion was seconded by Mike Eder.
  - ii. Motion was unanimously adopted.
- d. Heard good reviews on the new Knife and Hawk Range.
- e. The Western would like to hold an event. Liaison will reach out.
- f. Ideas discussed to rent out tents in the primitive campgrounds.
- g. Looking to make more signage for the range.
- h. Possible “Planting Tree” fundraiser.
- i. Assigned Tippy Curtis to the marketing committee.
- j. Consolidating and cleaning up membership packages.
- k. Moved Executive Session to the end of the meeting.
- l. Cabin issue was referred to Neil Fairweather.
  - i. Neil Fairweather discussed the cabin resolution regarding Art Fleener and Rick Weber.
    - 1. Resolution – cabin was moved to primitive site as a full donation with no strings attached. The cabin will be available for renting just like any other camp spot with signed agreement. They have 30 days to remove their belongings. There were no complaints with the local or county departments.

**B. 1st Vice President**

- a. Focused on the grounds
  - i. Looked at 58 buildings excluding the Sheep Sheds, Firing Line, Barn and buildings downtown.
  - ii. Barn – waiting on grant approved, deadline is September 30.
    - 1. Richard Weber motioned – If we receive a \$40K grant we, the BOD approve up to an additional \$10K to fix the roof and front walls.
    - 2. Motion was seconded by Bill Foy.
    - 3. Motion was unanimously approved.

- iii. Will be asking for substantial money at the budget meeting for updating and maintenance of the buildings.
  - iv. New mower for next year.
  - v. Possibly building more cabins in the primitive campground with a subcontractor to clean.
  - vi. Possible landscape project for winter.
  - vii. Ken Jones is instrumental in helping with quotes.
- C. 2nd Vice President
- a. Michele along with several members stepped in to help while staff members were ill.
  - b. Focused on marketing
    - i. Would like to have a marketing meeting do to no updates since 2017.
    - ii. Tippy Curtis will be working with her on marketing and memberships.
- D. Secretary
- a. Met with Neil Fairweather to update and clarify rules and regulations for camping.
  - b. Hope to condense to one general form for all ranges.
- E. Treasurer
- a. Accountant, Craig Turpin, was present to answer any questions.
  - b. Need a statutory agent for Indiana, do to former has resigned. Neil Fairweather will follow up.
  - c. Advised that we put a job description together and hire a financial controller.
    - i. Alan Hoeweler will write the job description.

**\*Break at 3:14pm\***

**\*Returned at 3:30pm\***

## **VII. Committee Reports**

- A. Safety and Risk Management – Robin Bonaventura
- a. Found that AED batteries are dead and people did not know where they were located.
  - b. AED – 6 year warranty to replace batteries for free is available.
  - c. Recommended to create a box that has a trauma kit, AED, etc. with a sign in/out sheet including a check off list.
  - d. Range officers requested a meeting during each shoot to clarify safety readiness.

- B. Ethics Committee – Moved to Executive Session.
  - a. Review previous ethics complaints – Robin Bonaventura

### VIII. Old Business

- A. Hawkins Classic Update – Rick Weber
  - a. 45 volunteers
  - b. 26 memberships
  - c. 51 prints were sold at \$102 with a profit of \$2,295
  - d. 38 posters were sold at \$28 with a profit of \$950
  - e. Next Hawkins Classic is scheduled for August 2023
- B. NRA BPCR Silhouette National Championship – Lora Parks
  - a. 75 Big Bore shooters
  - b. 59 – 22 shooters
  - c. Collected \$10,000 in fees
  - d. Collected \$5,000 in powder
  - e. Profit of \$8,700

### IX. Election of Officers

- A. Dave DeLong nominated Mike Yazel for President. No other nominations were made. Vote was 16 yes and 1 blank. Mike Yazel accepted the President position.
- B. Mike Eder nominated Rich Crabtree for 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President. No other nominations were made. Vote was 17 yes. Rich Crabtree accepted the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President position.
- C. Neil Eddington nominated Michele Meanley for 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President. No other nominations. Vote was 15 yes and 2 blank. Michele Meanley accepted the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President position.
- D. Michele Meanley nominated Karen Latta for Secretary. Mike Luma nominated Mike Eder. Mike Eder declined. Vote was 16 yes and 1 blank. Karen Latta accepted the Secretary position.
- E. Dave DeLong nominated Mike Eder for Treasurer. Art Fleener nominated Alan Hoeweler for Treasurer. Vote was 11 yes for Mike Eder and 6 yes for Alan Hoeweler. Mike Eder accepted the Treasurer position.

### X. New Business

- A. Mike Luma motioned – an electric gate at our main entrance be installed. Also close all driveable entrances to our range at the end of the day. The electric gate will have the means of allowing members to enter at anytime. Expected cost to be investigated.

- a. Motion was seconded by Buddy Townsend.
  - b. President formed a committee with Rich Crabtree as Committee Chair. Committee will also include Neil Eddington, Dan Thomas and Karen Latta to investigate price, installation, etc.
  - c. Therefore, motion was withdrawn until after investigation.
  - d. Motion will be revisited once all information is collected.
- B. Wi-Fi needs to be boosted up at the Powder Magazine so the card reader can be used.
- C. Alternate range use including modern. Neil Fairweather is working on a waiver.

**\*Break at 4:40pm\***

**\*Returned at 4:50pm\***

- XI. **Secretary motioned for ballots to be destroyed.**
- A. Motion was seconded by Rich Crabtree.
  - B. Motion was unanimously approved.
- XII. **Entered Executive Session at 4:51pm.**
- A. 5 minute recess at 5:46pm
  - B. Returned from recess at 5:51pm
- XIII. **Motioned to come out of Executive Session at 6:03pm.**
- XIV. **Andy Larson – 1 – 1,000**
- A. Encourages BOD to become members if they are not already.
  - B. 860 current members.
  - C. 140 still needed.
- XV. **Adjournment**
- A. Robin Bonaventura motioned to adjourn.
  - B. Motion was seconded by Mike Eder.