

Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Inc., Izaak Walton League of America
General Membership Meeting – Tuesday, February 15, 2022

1. **CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by President, Pam Meara.
 - a) A quorum of regular members was present.
 - b) The Pledge of Allegiance and IWLA Pledge were conducted.
 - c) Chapter Officers and Board of Directors present were introduced.
2. **MEMBER TIME**
 - Nothing brought before the membership.
3. **PRESIDENT'S TIME**
 - Nothing to report.
4. **MINUTES/CORRESPONDENCE**
 - Minutes from the January 2022 General Membership Meeting were available for all to review. The minutes were approved as written.
5. **TREASURER'S REPORT**
 - Mr. Crisman presented the Budget Report through the end of January 2022 to the Membership.
 - As of January 31, 2022, income for the year was \$246,192.05, expenditures were \$13,1492.44, leaving a balance of \$232,699.61.
6. **MEMBERSHIP UPDATE**
 - Mr. Crandall stated that there are currently 2,053 active Chapter memberships, and 296 memberships from 2021 that have not renewed yet.
 - Mr. Crandall stated that Chapter members volunteered more than 3,590 hours last year at the Chapter, and that he wants to surpass 4,000 hours this year.
 - Mr. Crandall stated that the Chapter gate code will change on March 1, 2022, and that there is a New Member Orientation scheduled for March 5, 2022.
 - Mr. Crandall moved to accept the candidates from the January New Member Orientation (those in attendance and those who were not able to attend) be voted into the Chapter. The motion was adopted, and 24 new members were admitted to the Chapter.
7. **SPECIAL COMMITTEES**
 - Air Range
 - After 52 days with Fairfax County, the building permit was approved to hang new ballistics material in the Air Range. Will look to start work to install soon, which will allow for 50-foot precision small bore rifle.
 - Bylaws
 - Mr. Rose moved to approve the Bylaws changes previously approved by the Board of Directors at the December 7, 2022 meeting and provided to the Membership in the most recent Chapter newsletter.
 - The motion was adopted, and the Bylaws revisions were approved as presented.
 - Communication
 - Ms. Meara stated that the Chapter sends out an e-blast at the beginning of each month, and that the recent gun show went well.
 - Conservation
 - Mr. Rumble stated that he plans to install three (3) water lily mats within the pond at a cost of \$375 each to help control the water lily population in the pond.
 - Mr. Rumble stated that upcoming Conservation activities include Adopt-a-Highway, Cub Run Stream Valley cleanup, Plant Nova Natives zoom call, and the installation of a speaker at the large pavilion to call in purple martins.
 - Mr. Rumble stated that volunteering opportunities will be listed on the Chapter's SignUpGenius.

- Education and Training
 - Mr. Seaberg stated that the first four courses of thirty for the year have been completed.
 - Women on Target is scheduled for May, and Education and Training brochures are available and on the website.
- EMS
 - Mr. Brino informed the Chapter of upcoming Environmental Management System (EMS) activities at the Chapter, and that wads will be removed from the range and lime will be applied to prevent lead migration. Mr. Brino stated that we are one of the highest rated/ecologically safe gun/conservation clubs in Virginia, and that the EMS program has been going for over ten years.
- Field Archery
 - Mr. Riemer stated that two volunteers are utilized every Saturday to help clean the Field Archery clubhouse, and that opportunities to participate are on SignUpGenius.
 - Mr. Riemer also stated that spring maintenance of the outdoor field archery range will occur in March, and that 20 to 25 volunteers will be needed.
 - Mr. Riemer stated that there will be Archery 101 classes offered once a month, and that new adult and children archery classes are being scheduled due to increased member interest.
 - Mr. Riemer stated that the Fairfax County Archery Program qualifications will start at the Chapter on Tuesdays/Sundays starting April 1, 2022.
- Rifle/Pistol
 - Mr. Frerking stated that the remodeling of the Rifle/Pistol clubhouse is almost complete, and is now open for handwashing and bathroom. A final punch list is being worked through.
 - Mr. Frerking informed the Membership of upcoming activities, and that the Range will return to summer hours on March 13, 2022.
 - Ms. Meara drew the winning raffle ticket for an M1 Garand rifle that was being raffled by the Rifle/Pistol Range. The winner was Dan Ambrose. The Rifle/Pistol range will be raffling a second M1 Garand rifle soon, with 100 tickets available at \$50 each.
- Skeet/Trap
 - Mr. Brino stated that approximately 160 people are participating in the annual winter league, and that he is available to assist those interested in learning Skeet/Trap.
 - Mr. Brino stated that the AIM program for youth will start in March, and that 15 children are currently signed up.
 - Mr. Brino stated that there are 4 registered trap shoots and 5 registered skeet shoots scheduled for this year. The 22nd annual Crush'n Clays for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital will also be held this year.
 - Opportunities to volunteer at the Skeet/Trap range are available.
- Target Archery
 - Mr. Riemer stated that the JOAD winter program will start indoors in February on Wednesday evenings and Sunday afternoons.
- Youth/Junior Chapter
 - Mr. Turner stated that there are over 200 members in the Youth/Junior Chapter, and that all are active participants in activities at the Chapter.

8. **OLD BUSINESS**

- Nothing to report.

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

- Mr. Bob Bell reminded the Directors and Officers in attendance to provide him information on what the Chapter did in 2021 to provide to National IWLA in the required annual report.

10. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- See Chapter Calendar for current list of events, which is frequently updated to reflect evolving conditions <https://wp.arlingtonfairfax-iwla.org/>.
- We have an annual environmental sciences scholarship that awards \$5,000 to graduating high school students looking to study the environmental sciences.
- Speed limit at the Chapter is 10 mph.
- Mr. Scott Meyer, IWLA National Treasurer, reminded those in attendance that the National IWLA Board Meeting is the following weekend, and that the national organization is celebrating their 100th anniversary.

The meeting adjourned at 8:09 PM

Signed: Sean Gagnon, Secretary