

Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Inc., Izaak Walton League of America
General Membership Meeting – Tuesday, September 21, 2021

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:
 - i) President – Pamela Meara
 - ii) Vice-President – Chris Rose
 - iii) Secretary – Sean Gagnon
 - iv) Treasurer – Bob Crisman
 - v) Membership – Benn Crandall
 - vi) Designated Director – Keith Kuck
 - vii) Designated Director – Dick Riemer
 - viii) Designated Director – Joe Turner
 - ix) Director-at-Large – Marv Hicks
 - x) Director-at-Large – Oscar Starz
 - xi) Director-at-Large – Fred Ansick
 - xii) Director-at-Large – Roger Thrasher
2. **MEMBER TIME**
 - Nothing brought before the membership.
3. **PRESIDENT'S TIME**
 - Mr. Chris Rose was introduced as the new Chapter Vice President and Mr. Steve Landry was introduced as a new Director-at-Large.
 - Mr. Gagnon read letters of thanks from Mr. William Beer and his mother for awarding him the Chapter Environmental Scholarship.
4. **MINUTES/CORRESPONDENCE**
 - Minutes from the August 2021 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 August 2021 to the Membership.
 - Income: \$360,716.64
 - Expenditures: \$195,760.64
 - Balance Remaining: \$165,016.00
6. **MEMBERSHIP UPDATE**
 - Mr. Crandall provided an update on status of the Membership, stating that the Chapter currently has 2,239 memberships accounted for, and that the next New Member Orientation will be on October 2, 2021.
 - Mr. Crandall moved to accept the candidates from the September New Member Orientation (those in attendance and those who were not able to attend) be voted into the Chapter. The motion was adopted, and 23 new members were admitted to the Chapter.
7. **SPECIAL COMMITTEES**
 - Awards and Grants
 - Mr. Meyer stated that he is working with Mr. Frerking and Mr. Thrasher to put together a grant request for the NRA Foundation.
 - Building & Grounds
 - Mr. Hicks informed the membership that he is looking to hire a new groundskeeper, that an RFP has been issued, and that information is in the newsletter and on the Chapter website.
 - Mr. Kuck stated that there will be a Buildings & Grounds committee meeting on Tuesday, September 28, 2021.
 - By-Laws
 - Ms. Meara stated that Mr. Rose is now the Chairman of the Bylaws Committee.

- Communication
 - Ms. Meara stated that the Chapter will have a table at the gun show on October 1-3 for recruiting new members.
- Conservation
 - Mr. Gagnon provided an update on the Chapter's participation in the Cub Run Stream Valley Volunteer Team cleanup in November. More information on the calendar and on SignUpGenius.
- Education and Training
 - Mr. Bob Bell stated that there are several classes still scheduled through the end of the year.
- EMS
 - Mr. Gagnon informed the membership of the Chapter's participation in the Virginia Environmental Excellency Program (VEEP).
- Youth
 - Mr. Turner stated that the Youth Chapter is sponsoring a precision air rifle this weekend. of Directors will be installed later in the meeting.
- Field Archery
 - Mr. Riemer stated that the Field Archery range uses two volunteers on Saturdays to clean the archery fieldhouse for volunteer hours, and that additional archery instructors are needed. Please contact Jeff Delveccio for information on becoming an archery instructor.
- Target Archery
 - Mr. Riemer stated that there are 46 kids on the waiting list to participate in the JOAD program.
- Air Range
 - Mr. Kuck stated that there is an upcoming VSSA Air Rifle Match on Saturday, and the VSSA Air Pistol Match on Sunday.
 - Mr. Kuck stated that small bore practice is at rifle/pistol from 4:30pm to sunset on Fridays.
 - Mr. Kuck stated that open practice at Air Range is on Mondays and Fridays, and to use SignUpGenius to reserve a timeslot.
- Rifle/Pistol
 - Ms. Meara stated that the most highly attended short range day was on August 27 with 46 unique participants.
 - Ms. Meara stated that the steel target program is going well, and reminded the membership that jacketed bullets are not allowed on steel targets.
 - Ms. Meara informed the membership that the range will be closed on September 30 for the architecture survey, and provide a list of upcoming events at rifle/pistol.
- Skeet/Trap
 - Mr. Crandall provided an update on Skeet/Trap, including an upcoming trap tournament and that he needs volunteers. Mr. Crandall stated that all those that volunteer a full day will be invited to a complimentary trap seminar.
 - Mr. Crandall stated that on November 1st, the price of targets at skeet/trap will go up to \$4 per round for members and \$5 per round for non-members.
- Historian
 - Ms. Goodenough stated that in 1972, a group of members of the Chapter wanted to create a sub NRA Skeet and Trap Club within the Chapter under the concept that they'd manage their own money.
 - Ms. Goodenough stated that a gaming program called WALTO was conducted at the Chapter in 1972, and that the Chapter asked a lawyer if it was okay to continue. The lawyer stated to cease operations of WALTO, and that it took several months to removing the gaming equipment.
 - Ms. Goodenough stated that in 1972, a member was photographed drinking beer and shooting archery at the Chapter, and that 1972 was the first year we invited children from the local orphanage for a Christmas party.

8. **OLD BUSINESS**

- Nothing to report.

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

- Ms. Meara established two new committees, the Shenandoah County Property Committee and the Security and Gate Committee.
- Mr. Starz provided information on small bore and air rifle opportunities at the Chapter.
- Ms. Meara informed the membership that the November Board of Directors' meeting will be on November 9th due to election day.
- Mr. Crandall stated that renewals for 2021 start on October 1, and that members have until December 31 to renew.

10. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- See Chapter Calendar for current list of events, which is frequently updated to reflect evolving conditions
<https://wp.arlingtonfairfax-iwla.org/>.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM

Signed: Sean Gagnon, Secretary