

Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Izaak Walton League of America, Inc.
Board of Directors - Minutes of the Meeting
Tuesday, October 1, 2019

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by President Tom Ciarula at 7:30 PM.

- a) A quorum of members was present.
- b) The Pledge of Allegiance and IWLA Pledge were conducted.
- c) Chapter Officers and Board of Directors present:

- i. President: Tom Ciarula
- ii. Secretary: Sean Gagnon
- iii. Treasurer: Bob Crisman
- iv. Membership: Benn Crandall
- v. Designated Director: Roger Thrasher
- vi. Designated Director: John Seaberg
- vii. Designated Director: Bucky Sills
- viii. Designated Director: Dick Riemer
- ix. Designated Director: Bill Frerking
- x. Designated Director: Bob Brino
- xi. Designated Director: Dan Roberts
- xii. Designated Director: Joseph Turner
- xiii. Director-at-Large: Keith Kuck
- xiv. Director-at-Large: Jim Smith
- xv. Director-at-Large: Chris Rose
- xvi. Director-at-Large: Oscar Starz
- xvii. Director-at-Large: Art Twichell

- d) Officers and Directors Absent
 - i. Vice President: Pam Meara
 - ii. Director-at-Large: Carl Armstrong

2. **VISITOR'S TIME/FACILITY USE REQUESTS**

The following requests for use of Chapter facilities were presented to the Board:

- Arnie Heck, representing Venture Crew 1137, requested use of the Indoor Archery Range on November 23, 2019. A member of the Board moved that the facility use request be approved. The motion was adopted.

3. **PRESIDENT'S TIME**

- Nothing to report.

4. **MINUTES/CORRESPONDENCE**

- Minutes from the September 2019 Board of Directors Meeting were available for all to review. The minutes were approved as written.

5. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

- Mr. Crisman presented the budget report as of August 2019. The ending balance as of September 30, 2019 was \$57,562.61.

6. **MEMBERSHIP UPDATE**

- Mr. Crandall provided the membership update, including membership renewals and a request for volunteers at upcoming gun shows.

7. **SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

- Conservation
 - Mr. Seaberg provided information on a proposed Eagle Scout Project from BSA Troop 987
 - Mr. Seaberg informed the Board about an upcoming Cub Run Stream Valley Cleanup on October 26, 2019
 - Mr. Seaberg also informed the Board that the Chapter will have firewood for sale.

- Target Archery
 - Mr. Roberts informed the Board about an upcoming Target Archery tournament on November 2 & 3, 2019.
- Air Range
 - Three raffle tickets were drawn for the Air Range Raffle. The winning tickets were #347, #267, and #16.
- Rifle/Pistol
 - Mr. Frerking informed the Board that the recent short-range Day had poor attendance, and that the next one will likely be scheduled for December 29, 2019.
 - Mr. Frerking informed the Board that the electronic targets for R/P have been ordered.
- Skeet/Trap
 - Mr. Brino informed the Board of an upcoming registered trap shoot and that winter league will be starting soon.
- Youth Activities
 - Mr. Turner provided an update on the Wendel-Thompson Match, and that junior chapter elections are approaching.
- Building and Grounds
 - Mr. Sills provided an update on B&G activities, including the parking lot expansion permitting, new air conditioning at the Air Range, and estimates to replace the roof at Rifle/Pistol. The current estimate to replace the roof at Rifle/Pistol is \$18,500. No motions were proposed.
- Education and Training
 - Mr. Sills provided an update on E&T activities, including the upcoming planning meeting on November 9, 2019.

8. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Membership Retention
 - Mr. Smith provided an update on membership retention activities. Preliminary findings show that 346 members from 2018 did not renew for 2019, and that the normal rate is 250-300 members. Mr. Smith also informed the Board that 55 members that had not renewed for 2019 never met the 6-hour volunteering requirement.

9. OLD BUSINESS

- Nothing to report.

10. NEW BUSINESS

- Mr. Crandall moved that the Chapter purchase advertising space for membership recruitment in a local newspaper at a cost not to exceed \$8,600. The motion was adopted with 15 yeas and 2 nays.
- Mr. Brino and Mr. Sills led a discussion on the timing of the annual Chapter picnic. Mr. Sills moved that the annual picnic be moved to the Fall for 2020. The motion was adopted.
- Mr. Thrasher informed the Board that he has a free refrigerator for any Chapter activities that may need one.

11. OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY PROPERLY BE BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD

- Mr. Frerking informed the Board that BSA Troop 670 recently violated Rifle/Pistol Range Rules and BSA Guidelines during their use of the facility. Mr. Ciarula stated that he would write a letter to Troop 670 leadership regarding the situation.

The meeting adjourned at 8:33 PM

Signed: Sean Gagnon, Secretary