

Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Inc., Izaak Walton League of America  
General Membership Meeting – Tuesday, October 15, 2019

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

- 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 – Tom Ciarula
  - ii) Secretary – Sean Gagnon
  - iii) Treasurer – Bob Crisman
  - iv) Membership – Benn Crandall
  - v) Designated Director – Roger Thrasher
  - vi) Designated Director – Bucky Sills
  - vii) Designated Director – Dick Riemer
  - viii) Designated Director – Joseph Turner
  - ix) Director-at-Large – Carl Armstrong
  - x) Director-at-Large – Keith Kuck
  - xi) Director-at-Large – Chris Rose
  - xii) Director-at-Large – Jim Smith
  - xiii) Director-at-Large – Oscar Starz
  - xiv) Director-at-Large – Art Twichell

2. **MEMBER TIME**

- Ken Gual representing the BSA National Capitol Council Shooting Sports Committee informed the membership he was interested in holding a series of shooting sports merit badge events at the Chapter.

3. **PRESIDENT'S TIME**

- Mr. Ciarula informed the membership of a partnership with Legal Shield, and that the Chapter receives \$30 for every referral from the Chapter. Mr. Ciarula emphasized that this is not an endorsement by the Chapter for Legal Shield.

4. **MINUTES/CORRESPONDENCE**

- Minutes from the September 2019 General Membership Meeting were available for all to review. The minutes were approved as submitted.

5. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

- Mr. Crisman presented the Budget Report through the end of September 2019 to the Membership.
  - Income: \$338,520.74
  - Expenditures: \$280,958.13
  - Balance Remaining: \$57,562.61

6. **MEMBERSHIP UPDATE**

- Mr. Crandall provided an update on status of the Membership. The Chapter currently has 2,028 memberships accounted for.
- Mr. Crandall introduced 48 new members and moved that “the new members in attendance and the new members that could not attend be voted into the Chapter.” The motion was adopted.

7. **SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

- Buildings & Grounds
  - Mr. Sills informed the Membership about current B&G activities, including the installation of a new A/C unit at the Air Range, the proposed parking lot addition, and firewood for sale at the Chapter at \$125/cord
- Education & Training
  - Mr. Sills informed the membership about upcoming education and training activities at the Chapter.
- Field Archery
  - Mr. Riemer provided an update on field archery, including information on an upcoming Archery 101 class.

- Air Range
  - Mr. Thrasher provided an update on the Air Range, including the member open practice time and the upcoming Centreville Cup Classic.
- Membership Retention
  - Mr. Smith informed the membership that he will be doing some surveys to try and understand why membership retention/new membership recruitment has been low.
- Chapter Christmas Party
  - Mr. Armstrong informed the membership that the annual Chapter Christmas Party for Disadvantaged Children is scheduled for Saturday, December 14, 2019, and that there are several opportunities for volunteer hours.
  - Mr. Armstrong also presented a Chapter VIP Award and Jacket to Mr. Brian Talbot of Fairfax County Fire and Rescue for his assistance over several years with the annual Christmas Party.

#### 8. ***OLD BUSINESS***

- Mr. Starz informed the membership of Air Range adaptive shooting opportunities.
- Mr. Gagnon informed the Chapter about an upcoming Cub Run Stream Valley Park Clean-up Event

#### 9. ***NEW BUSINESS***

- Nothing to report.

#### 10. ***ANNOUNCEMENTS***

- Mr. Ciarula informed the membership about upcoming events and important dates at the Chapter.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM

Signed: Sean Gagnon, Secretary