

Arlington-Fairfax Chapter, Inc., Izaak Walton League of America
General Membership Meeting – Tuesday, December 17, 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) Vice President – Pam Meara
 - iii) Secretary – Sean Gagnon
 - iv) Treasurer – Bob Crisman
 - v) Designated Director – John Seaberg
 - vi) Designated Director – Dick Riemer
 - vii) Designated Director – Bill Frerking
 - viii) Designated Director – Joseph Turner
 - ix) Director-at-Large – Carl Armstrong
 - x) Director-at-Large – Keith Kuck
 - xi) Director-at-Large – Jim Smith
 - xii) Director-at-Large – Chris Rose
 - xiii) Director-at-Large – Art Twichell

2. **MEMBER TIME**

- Nothing to report.

3. **PRESIDENT'S TIME**

- Ms. Meara informed the membership of proposed bylaws updates, which will be distributed in the next newsletter and voted on at the February 18, 2020 General Membership Meeting.
- Mr. Gagnon provided an update on the recent annual Chapter Christmas Party of Disadvantaged Children; 49 children attended the party this year.
- Ms. Meara swore in the following Junior Chapter Officers and Directors:
 - President – Anya Arseneau
 - Vice President – Eric Patterson
 - Secretary – Thomas Mikolashek
 - Treasurer – Alex Morris

4. **MINUTES/CORRESPONDENCE**

- Minutes from the November 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: \$331,355.33
 - Expenditures: \$374,923.71
 - Balance Remaining: (\$43,568.38)
- Mr. Crisman stated that the negative balance shown is due to funds being moved between Chapter accounts.
- Mr. Hancock inquired about an increase of printing and copying expenditures associated with printing and copying. Mr. Gagnon stated that the increased expenditures are possibly due to the purchase of new marketing and membership recruitment materials.

6. **MEMBERSHIP UPDATE**

- Ms. Meara provided an update on status of the Membership. As of the date of the meeting, 1,145 membership renewals have been received. Volunteer hours are available on Sign-Up Genius to assist with the parking lot construction, firewood is for sale at \$150/cord, and new 2020 range credentials are being mailed in bulk. Ms. Meara also stated that 2019 range credentials are still valid.
- Ms. Meara introduced 28 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**

- Awards and Grants
 - Mr. Meyer informed the membership that no new awards or grants have been awarded. Mr. Meyer also stated that the Chapter will be applying for National and State awards, and that he is looking for nominations.
- Communication
 - Ms. Meara informed the membership of the upcoming newsletter mailing party on January 28, 2020.
- Buildings and Grounds
 - Mr. Seaberg informed the membership that construction activities for the parking lot have begun, and that work is anticipated to be finished within the next few weeks. Mr. Seaberg also requested volunteers to help with construction of the parking lot.
- Education and Training
 - Mr. Seaberg informed the membership that 2020 Education and Training activities will begin next month (January 2020), and that a brochure of courses has been printed.
- Skeet/Trap
 - Mr. Seaberg informed the membership that the annual Shotgun Winter League will begin on Sunday, January 5, 2020 and continue for 12 weeks. Mr. Seaberg also stated that there will be 4 or 5 registered trap shoots and 3 skeet shoots at the Chapter in 2020.
 - Mr. Seaberg also informed the membership of an upcoming shotgun clinic on April 6/7, 2020.
- Field Archery
 - Mr. Riemer informed the membership of an upcoming Archery 101 course on Sunday, January 19, 2020.
- Target Archery
 - Mr. Riemer informed the membership of the upcoming Junior Olympic Archery Development program, and that registration is through the Target Archery Director (Dan Roberts).
- Rifle/Pistol
 - Mr. Frerking informed the membership that there will be a short range day at R/P on December 29, 2019, that events for 2020 have been scheduled, and that winter hours are now in effect (generally 9:00AM – 4:00PM)
 - Mr. Frerking also informed the membership that more special matches are planned for Sundays in 2020.
- Membership Recruitment/Retention
 - Mr. Smith informed the membership that he has contacted 55 members that did not renew for calendar year 2019. Mr. Smith stated that of the 55 members he contacted, 9 have stated their intent to renew.

8. **OLD BUSINESS**

- Nothing to report.

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 7:59 PM

Signed: Sean Gagnon, Secretary