

Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting

November 22, 2019

Minutes of the LRPC Board of Directors meeting are submitted in "Draft Form Only" and shall not become part of the Club record until approval by the LRPC Board.

Meeting Opening: The meeting was called to order by President Ruth at 7:01pm.

Members in Attendance: **President** Joe Ruth, **Vice President** Ken Jardine, **Treasurer** David Griffiths **Secretary** Paul Thielen **Directors** Bob Drake, Bob Grimes, George Kloiber, Lash McCall, Don Sharp **Gun Show Chairman** Josh Bolger **Grounds Keeper** Gary Coleman

Immediate Past President Jack Schubert and Directors Caudill, Lyakhovetsky, Gantz and Finn were not in attendance.

Membership Guests in Attendance: Ron Schultz, Mike Coduto, Lester Witman and Mike Pitsikoulis

Approval of Meeting Minutes: Minutes of the October 16th, 2019 Board meeting were presented by Pres Ruth for approval. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously passed to approve the minutes with no corrections or amendments.

President's New Business: President Ruth notified the Board that Director Finn had submitted his resignation to the Board because he has moved out of state. Member Michael Pitsikoulis has volunteered to fill the position. Pursuant to Article IV Section 6A a motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to accept Director Finn's resignation. Pursuant to Article IV Section 6B a motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to have Michael Pitsikoulis fill the vacated Director's chair. Member Schultz administered the oath of office to Michael Pitsikoulis.

Membership: Perspective members Charles Carpeta, Christopher Chartrand, Brian Magrum, George Moore and Melanie Schwartz Knight were introduced to the Board. After introductions a motion was made, seconded and unanimously passed to issue these perspective members Blue Cards in order to proceed with the membership onboarding process.

Treasures Report: Treasurer Griffiths presented the Treasurers Summary Report for October 2019. We are applying for new Credit Cards for the Club through the Citizens Bank. The cards we have now are issued through Wells Fargo. Restrictions are less stringent with cards issued through the Citizens Bank. The new Microsoft 365 software purchased is up and running. Treas. Griffiths is working through some issues in order to get the more secure email environment and address up and running.

The Treasurer's Monthly Summary reports are posted for Membership viewing at the Clubhouse and once the security patch is tested the Club's website.

Advertising Report: Treas. Griffiths reported that the payment has been made for our January Show's radio advertisements. We will have 20 slots running on 2 radio stations at a cost of \$2000. Treas. Griffiths is looking into the effectiveness of the electronic billboards we have used in the past and will report his recommendation at the next meeting .

Repairs and Maintenance: GK Coleman reported that repairs to the Administrator's office are under way. The floor is being repaired, the walls and ceiling need patchwork and painting and the carpet will be replaced. He has begun cleaning out the target trailer in preparation for its removal. He is comparing pricing for the electrical equipment from various vendors for the 5 Stand Project. Repairs on the South Trap Machine are on hold until members of the Shotgun League can do an evaluation of the intermittent issues. The North Machine has no operational issues at this time.

Safety Report: VP. Jardine reported that the geometry of the Training Range as originally constructed is a contributing factor for many of the bullets impacting the range's baffles or striking in front of the rear berm rather than into it. The Board approved VP. Jardine access to the NRA's recommendations to minimize trajectory and containment concerns which were obtained back when the range was first constructed and inspected by an NRA representative. The Board agreed to purchase a copy of the NRA's Range Construction book. VP Jardine will review the inspection and recommendation report and the NRA's construction recommendations and report back to the board with his recommendations. It is suspected that some of the baffle impact issues we are experiencing may be caused by inexperienced shooters participating in the concealed weapons classes. The Board agreed that these classes should move their shooting stations and target placements downrange of the baffles close to the rear berm. VP Jardine will coordinate contacting the concealed weapons instructors in order to communicate this new requirement.

Youth Program: Dir Grimes reported that the Complete Shooting Program is going well. We will have at least 2 Jr shooters competing in the Florida State Jr Olympics in December and January. Ron Shultz reported that the Jr Programs are going well with several events scheduled in December.

Planning Report: Dir Kloiber reported that the 5 Stand project is on track.

Gun Show: G.S.C. Bolger reported that he has received the lease agreement draft from the Sun' n Fun for our January show and there are a couple of issues and clarifications he will need to address with the Sun' n Fun. The issue that show attendees are riding on the Sun' n Fun Tram with unchecked firearms was discussed. The point was made that people are walking from their automobiles to the show entrance with unchecked firearms so there is no reasonable or logical argument for treating those riding the Tram differently. VP and Safety Chairman Jardine will observe and evaluate the procedures the concealed weapons classes will follow during the shooting portion of their training at our January show.

Old Business: VP. Jardine reported that he contacted the NRA to see if they had any waiver forms we could use or suggestions for developing our own waiver form for guests shooting at our Range. The NRA was no help. VP Jardine has a copy of the waiver which was developed by our legal counsel and is used for our Jr Program. With some modification we could have acceptable forms for guests shooting at our Club. He will work with one of our legal consultants, develop such forms and report back to the Board.

Treasurer Griffiths reported that the Risk Committee is considering options for hardcopy record storage.

Pres. Ruth presented a proposed amendment to our By Laws that addresses theft and vandalism of Club property and facilities. A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to send the proposed amendment to the General Membership for a vote at the next meeting of the Membership.

Dir Kloiber reported that the final quote for the purchase of the equipment for the bird prepayment cards has come in. The purchase price is \$4,395.92. The Membership approved a purchase price of \$4400 at the November meeting. Dir Caudill will facilitate the purchase.

The Board agreed to sell the Polk County Republican Executive Committee a table at our January show for one dollar. The table will be setup outside the entrance to our show for the purpose of registering voters. No political party will be advertised at this table. Signage will display a message to support our second amendment rights.

New Business:

G.S. C. Bolger introduced the concept of online voting to the Board which is being used by a Realtors Organization he is a member of. After some discussion, the Board agreed not to pursue this option for the Club.

Dir McCall displayed several examples of hats and shirts to the Board which display the Club's logo or name and are available through a vender he has found. He will present a proposal to the Board at the next meeting to purchase a small inventory of this apparel in various styles to see how much interest there is from the Membership to purchase such items.

Sec. Thielen reported that the Club's online Safety Program is being updated and that the Blue Card has been updated to be more user friendly in guiding perspective new members through the requirements of obtaining membership.

VP Jardine will investigate the potential for allowing the Membership to shoot prone on the Training Range and report back his recommendations at the next meeting.

Pres. Ruth announced that we will need 3 volunteers from the Board to serve on the Nominating Committee. Volunteers should contact Pres. Ruth.

Meeting Adjournment: With no further topics introduced or agenda items to cover a motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:58pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Paul Thielen / Secretary