

**NATIONAL BENCH REST SHOOTERS ASSOCIATION, INC.
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER, 16, 2017**

The annual meeting of the NBRSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS was called to order by President Gene Bukys at 9:30 am on Saturday, September 16, 2017 at the Benchrest Club of St. Louis, St. Louis, MO. In attendance were:

Gene Bukys, President
Pam Campbell, Business Manager
Jack Neary, Eastern Regional Director
Scott Hunter, Gulf Coast Regional Director
Bud Mundy, Mississippi Valley Regional Director
Terry Meyer, North Central Regional Director
Steve Lee, Southeast Regional Director
Dan Zaccanti, Northwest Regional Director
Dave Woodward, Southwest Regional Director
Don Creach, Mid-Continent Regional Director Elect, by proxy
John Horn, past NBRSA Financial Officer by proxy

Group World Records Report: Don Creach

Mr. Don Creach said things are progressing well at this time. Mr. Creach stated that two world records had been awarded this year. A third one is still being reviewed and with the target paper we are using it is making it very difficult to measure. He stated the importance for the accuracy of the measurements, and that is just as important to protect the present record holders record as much as giving the new record to someone. Mr. Bukys agreed with that statement. Mr. Creach is going to get together with the committee while they are here at the Nationals and see if a decision on whether it is a record or not. Mr. Bukys stated that the Target Committee is working on trying to find better paper.

Score Committee Report - Dan Zaccanti reported for Mr. Carpenter, Chairman

Mr. Zaccanti presented a report from Rich Carpenter, Score World Record Chairman. He reported that during the last year they had four (4) new World Records set in the Score shooting.

Long Range Committee Report – Dan Zaccanti reported for Mr. Bill Johnston

He reported that the Long Range matches are all running smoothly. He requested that the Board consider a rule change concerning where the bullet hole has to be on the paper.

Target Committee Report – Bud Mundy, Chairman

Mr. Mundy reported that a lot of companies have no desire to research and find paper for the NBRSA. Mr. Bukys commented that most disciplines of shooting do not require the measurements to be so precise as our discipline. Mr. Mundy and Mr. Bukys both presented

samples of various paper that they had experimented with. After review by the Board members, it was decided that they needed to pick one to have samples made for testing. Mr. Meyer agreed to take the one chosen and have some printed. Mr. Hunter suggested actually have some ranges test them in matches. Mr. Bukys agreed it was a great idea. Mr. Zaccanti asked if he could have some printed for Score so that his ranges could test. Mr. Neary questioned as why we left the printing company in Orville, OH. Mr. Bukys explained it was a cost factor and the NBRSA would be required to buy in bulk. Mr. Neary questioned as to the weight of the test target. Mr. Woodward suggested to try both 110-150. It was decided that it would be too much cost to try both. Mr. Meyer suggested starting with the 150.

Mr. Meyer made a motion to get sample targets printed for fall if possible. If not, as soon as possible for some ranges to test. He is to print 500 BR-1, 500 BR-2, 100 HBR-1, 100 HBR-2. Motion was seconded by Mr. Creach and approved unanimously.

Editor/Publisher Report – Bob Scarbrough for Nancy Scarbrough by proxy

Mr. Bukys reminded the Board why we changed printers when the transition of Editors took place. Mr. Neary commented on the quality of the magazine and that it looked great. Mr. Bukys thanked Nancy and Bob Scarbrough for their hard work and dedication in dealing with the transition. Mr. Bukys had received another bid from Wilcox Printing with a savings of over \$1100.00 a month. Mr. Mundy commented that was a sizeable amount of money. Mr. Bukys reminded the Board each of them had received samples and that the samples looked good. He then turned to floor over to Mr. Scarbrough. Mr. Scarbrough spoke that if it appears too good to be true you should question it. He told the Board that Ms. Scarbrough gets personal assistance with the magazine. The current printer actually comes to their house to assist. Mr. Bukys stated that with the prospective printer, the same thing could be accomplished through email. He also stated that the NBRSA would buy her a printer for this purpose. Mr. Bukys and Mr. Meyer, who has been working with Wilcox Printing, stated that they are willing to help Ms. Scarbrough with whatever assistance she will need. Mr. Neary spoke on behalf of the current printer. He thinks we need to question why is it so much cheaper. Mr. Meyer responded that this is a small family company and their overhead is a lot less than a printer elsewhere. Mr. Scarbrough stated that he does not believe they will maintain quality at that price. Mr. Mundy stated that the Board had given Ms. Scarbrough an extended time to get comfortable with the new job. He suggested sending Ms. Scarbrough to Wilcox Printing to check their facilities and assistance. Mr. Hunter stated that maybe another extension should be given to Ms. Scarbrough with her current printer. Mr. Bukys agreed with Mr. Mundy that ample extensions have been given. He also stated the bulk mailing permit would be moved by Ms. Scarbrough from the Wyoming location to the Michigan location. That would be an additional savings to the organization.

Mr. Scarbrough also brought up that they would like to see labels for Nationals printed on the targets by the Target printer. Discussion pursued among the directors about the extra cost to print them. Mr. Bukys stated that this was up to the individual ranges hosting the matches and not a NBRSA issue. Discussion was tabled.

Mr. Mundy made a Motion to make a commitment with Wilcox Printing and send Ms. Scarbrough to the new printer to train at the NBRSA's expense. Mr. Zaccanti seconded

the motion. Mr. Zaccanti, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Woodward, Mr. Meyer, Mr. Mundy, Mr. Creach, and Mr. Lee voted to approve. Mr. Neary abstained. Motion passed.

Financial Report: John Horn for Larry Costa by proxy

Mr. Horn reviewed the various financial reports with the Board. He stated that the organization had no material changes for year 2016. He reminded that they should be diligent in spending. He commented that cutting the cost of the magazine by \$1,100.00 was a good start.

Business Manager Report: Pam Campbell

Ms. Campbell reported that things were running smoothly after a somewhat rough transition. Mr. Neary thanked Ms. Campbell as did Mr. Bukys for her dedication and hard work. Ms. Campbell thanked the Board for their assistance and help over the last 6 months.

World Team Report: Wayne Campbell

Mr. Campbell reported that plans were on schedule for the 2017 WBC-14 to be held in Nelson, NZ. The teams will be leaving on the 1st of November.

Mr. Campbell and the Board then discussed the possible ranges to be used as qualifiers next year. It was suggested that they add an extra match by selecting 5 locations instead of 4 plus the Nationals. This would allow an extra opportunity should a range have low attendance for a person trying to qualify.

The matters were tabled until the Board meeting reconvenes on Wednesday.

Member Issue

Mr. Bukys presented the issue with NBRSA Member Rodney Brown. After discussion, the **Motion was made by Mr. Meyer to terminate his membership with the NBRSA pursuant to the by-laws of the NBRSA. Mr. Creach seconded the motion. Approve: Mr. Zaccanti, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Mundy, Mr. Creach, Mr. Meyer, Mr. Neary. Abstained: Mr. Woodward, Mr. Lee. Motion passed.**

European World Record Committee

Mr. Bukys reported that he had attempted to work with the Europeans on this matter. He said that it seemed at one time they were told they did not have to pay match fees. He told them that all clubs holding registered matches were required to pay the fees. Mr. Bukys had thought it was a good idea in the beginning but that they do not have any interest, therefore the matter should be tabled.

President's Items:

1. The Board to consider eliminating the 50 bench requirement for a range to host a Group National event.

Mr. Bukys talked about 50 benches back when we had a lot more shooters. Mr. Mundy commented he agreed with Mr. Bukys. Mr. Creach agreed but thinks changing the time of the year might help attendance. Mr. Bukys reminded the Board that the Nationals has to be late in the year because of the World Team qualifying. Mr. Woodward commented its late in Phoenix usually October because it is too hot anytime before. Mr. Meyer commented ranges have a hard time getting target crew and help because kids are back in school when they are hosted late.

Motion was made by Mr. Mundy to rescind the 50 bench rule. Mr. Hunter second the Motion. Mr. Zaccanti, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Woodward, Mr. Mundy, Mr. Creach, Mr. Neary, and Mr Lee voted to approve the Motion. Mr. Meyer abstained. Motion carried.

2. Board to consider allowing the Directors to appoint their Alternate Director instead of them being elected.

Mr. Mundy spoke that the NBRSA lawyer told them years ago that the NBRSA must have an alternate. Mr. Hunter agreed. Mr. Meyer suggested that they be elected under the same heading just like our government. Example was President selects his Vice President/ Mr. Zaccanti explained that was what he did with this years' election. Mr. Zaccanti suggested that each director be required to find their own alternate. Mr. Bukys agreed. Mr. Neary spoke saying his region wants an election. They want to pick their alternate, not the director. Mr Creach thinks we need to follow the guidelines in the bylaws. Mr. Creach questioned that if we changed wouldn't we have to change the by-laws. Mr. Bukys spoke reminding them sometimes the director and alternate director can't work together.

The question was asked by Mr. Woodward as to what would happen if you have a director or no alternate, or have an alternate but no director? Mr. Bukys stated the Alternate vacancy is not clear. Mr. Bukys suggested that Mr. Woodward may go ahead and appoint an alternate in his situation where his Alternate is deceased. Mr. Hunter stated the manual was not updated after they were told they had to have Alternates. Mr. Bukys moved we postpone this motion, that the Board leave things as it is. Mr. Zaccanti questioned if the same qualifications are required for a Director and the Alternate. Mr. Mundy and Mr. Woodward agreed the Alternate must have the same qualifications because he could become the Director. Mr. Bukys also agreed.

Matter was tabled.

3. Board to consider whether a membership renewal should be dated the actual due date or the current month that it is processed.

Mr. Zaccanti suggested that the date the membership is paid would become the members' new anniversary date. Mr. Zaccanti gave an example of the importance for members to always be active members. He had a member who expired and lost a potential world record. Mr. Woodward commented that sometimes memberships expire due to illness or other reasons and the member should not be penalized.

Mr. Zaccanti made a motion to use the date the membership is paid regardless if it had expired. If paying in advance, then the members' anniversary date would still remain their current expiration date. Mr. Hunter second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Board to consider who should be paying the credit card processing charge fee – NBRSA or member/advertiser.

Mr. Meyer asked about taking checks and if there were an increased risk if we eliminated processing credit cards. Ms. Campbell spoke and stated that that was not an issue. Mr. Lee spoke and stated that credit cards and online processing is very important to a lot of members.

Motion was made by Mr. Neary that if the members renew by check the membership will remain at \$60.00. If by debit/credit card, the membership fee would increase to \$64.00 to cover the processing fees. The \$4.00 increase will also be applied to the Canadian and International memberships using debit/credit cards. Mr. Mundy second the motion. The motion also included that advertising, match fees & target fees would be charged a 3% fee. New fee increase would go into effect January 1, 2018. Mr. Mundy seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Board to consider who pays for the postage when a member does not receive a magazine but magazine was mailed to the correct address (lost in mail, etc.) or the membership has expired.

Mr. Neary commented as long as membership is current and someone doesn't receive their magazine then the NBRSA will pay the postage. If it is the fault of the member, ex. moved and didn't notify the business office then the member pays the postage. If the membership has lapsed, the members will pay for back issues and postage.

6. Board to consider selling magazines to advertisers/members to sell. A person wants the extra magazines. Mr. Neary stated that was a great idea for advertisement. Mr. Zaccanti recommended selling at cost. Mr. Mundy spoke they use send extra copies to directors to put in stores and it didn't work Mr. Bukys told the Board that there are a couple of members who have businesses that have volunteered to include copies of the magazine in with their orders in hopes in generating interest. Discussion ensued about the amount to charge if we sell the magazine. It was decided that the cost would be \$5.00 per magazine plus shipping. If purchasing 10 or more the cost would be \$4.00 plus shipping.

7. Board to consider a situation where someone wants to receive the magazine but does not want to join NBRSA.

Mr. Neary & Mr. Meyer didn't think this was good idea. Mr. Woodward suggested giving the person a free magazine in an attempt to get them interested.

Mr. Woodward made the motion to give the first magazine (an old subscription) free to potential new members. Mr. Meyer second the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Board to consider a policy on how long the Business Manager keeps online renewals that contain credit card information.

Mr. Lee, webmaster discussed a new program he is working on that will change the way online memberships are processed and will eliminate this issue. Until that is put into place, **all emails**

containing credit card information will be deleted/shredded 2 weeks after the Business Manager processes them.

9. Board to consider whether the mileage rate should be increased to the Government rate guidelines (currently paying \$.28). Mr. Bukys suggested to the Board that we go with the government guideline of \$.54 Up to \$500.00. Mr. Meyer also suggested the Board start having two (2) meetings a year and split the mileage fee between the two (2) meetings. He stated the Board has so much business, we may need two (2) meetings a year. Mr. Bukys suggested Cactus and Nationals. Mr. Lee stated he never travels to the Cactus.

Matter was tabled.

10. Board to discuss terms of a life membership. Does it include a magazine or not?

Currently Life Membership* - \$500.00

No charge for annual magazine if membership purchased before 8/27/1999.

*After 8/27/1999, \$30/year. One-Time Life Associate Payment - \$100.00

Mr. Bukys stated that the \$30.00 a year does not cover the cost of the magazine and the postage. Mr. Meyer agreed we need to charge. It was suggested the fee to life members be increased to \$48.00. The Business Manager will research and see how many we have that should be paying the fee. Mr. Woodward thought we should make all life members pay for the magazine. Mr. Creach suggested we leave it as.

Tabled until meeting on Wednesday.

New Business:

Eastern Region Agenda Items:

1. Could the sporter class weight be increased to 17 lbs. With the sporter rules changed but not the weight limit, we have seen no change or experimentation and I believe it is due to the weight restriction not being heavy enough to warrant a shooter to build new Sporter that is different than LV class. At 17 lbs, there are other shooting sports that have 17 lb. weight classes that may cross over to try BR shooting since their gun would be legal. Also some of the ole cruiser rifles (unlimited) may come out of moth balls to shoot in heavier Sporter class. Submitted by Jim Kelbly.

Mr. Neary stated that he had discussed this with his region and the majority responding were in favor of increasing the weight to 17 lbs. Mr. Mundy stated it would require another gun. Mr. Mundy and Mr. Bukys said it will be a true advantage over the other guns. Mr. Neary thinks it will hurt the number of shooters because of shooting against a 17 lb gun. Mr. Neary stated that Mr. Kelbly thought it might bring back old shooters or interest new shooters.

Motion was made by Mr. Neary to approve increasing the class to 17 lbs. Mr. Meyer seconded the Motion. Mr. Neary, Mr. Meyer, Mr. Hunter voted in favor. Opposed were Mr. Zaccanti, Mr. Woodward, Mr. Mundy, Mr. Creach, and Mr. Lee. Motion failed.

2. I suggest that a change be made to the following rule in the Rule Book # 39 Jan. 2017. Page 36 section 3. Meetings. "all members of the region must be notified by mail at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the annual meeting "Change to:" All members of the region must be notified by an add published in the official magazine of the N.B.R.S.A. and on the N.B.R.S.A. Web site at least thirty (30) days prior to the date and location of the annual meeting." Submitted by Stan Buchtel.

Mr. Hunter recommended inserting the verbage or by electronic notification.

Motion was made by Mr. Neary to insert the verbage and seconded by Mr. Woodward. It was passed unanimously.

3. I propose to eliminate the option of the host club to have a separate 3 minute sight-in period for each distance (except at a national match). I propose the rule be modified to simply provide a 10-minute match. The practice of having a separate 3 minute sight-in period, as opposed to a 10 minute warm-up match, has created a number of competitive fairness and operational issues with NBRSA match hosting ranges whom have opted to use the separate 3 minute sight-in period. This article is found on Page# 11 under "Time Limits" in our current NBRSA rule book as listed below. The host club may elect to have a separate "warm up match" or one 3-minute "sight in period" for each distance (except at a National Match). The time limit for a "warm up" match will be 7 minutes for a "5-shot" match and 12 minutes for a "10-shot match". If the match is stopped by the range officer, two minutes shall be added to the remaining time. In no event shall the time allotted after the cease fire exceed the original time limits. Not less than 30 minutes shall be allowed between the END of 1 relay of 1 match and the START of the same relay of the next match. There shall be no exceptions to the requirement that all competitors shall complete their string of fire within the time allowed. At all Registered Matches, the Range Officer shall have the Official Timer calibrated in seconds, which shall determine time limits. Submitted by Jack Neary

Mr. Neary proposes to eliminate the 3 minute warm up match and make it a 10 minute match. Mr. Creach stated that some ranges get confused. With no further discussion, Mr. Neary made the motion to propose to eliminate the option of the host club to have a separate 3 minute sight-in period for each distance (except at a national match). I propose the rule be modified to simply provide a 10-minute match.

Motion was seconded by Mr. Hunter. Approve: Mr. Neary, Mr. Zaccanti, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Woodward, Mr. Mundy, Mr. Meyer and Mr. Lee Against: Mr. Creach. Motion carried.

Gulf Coast Agenda Items:

1. Should NBRSA have a standard, “Shooter Registration Form” for all registered matches which is to be completed by all participants? If so, what information should this form entail? (Scott Hunter).

Mr. Hunter read a suggested statement that he and his attorneys had drafted. Mr. Lee stated that all of the NBRSA forms needs to all standardized. Mr. Hunter says some clubs have their own forms. Mr. Neary it was a good thing to have statements that protect our organization. Mr Woodward stated that all disciplines need to use the same form at all sanctioned matches. Ms. Campbell will prepare a draft form and email to all directors and officers.

Mr. Zaccanti made a motion we standardize our registration form. Mr. Neary seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Mississippi Valley Region Agenda Items:

1. Board discussion on target paper. (Bud Mundy). This agenda item was previously discussed under the Target Committee report.

North Central Agenda Items: There were no items presented for discussion from this region.

Southeast Region Agenda Items: There were no items presented for discussion from this region.

Mid-Continent Region Agenda Items: There were no items presented for discussion from this region.

Southwest Region Items:

1. Consider changing the “Unlimited format for the Nationals to a 6 match-10 shot contest. Include a warm-up match and 5 records matches. Use the usual 100 yard followed by 200 yard procedure. Provide a 2 year trial period with final acceptance/rejection at the end of the trial period. Submitted by Tom Libby.

Agenda item was withdrawn by Mr. Woodward

2. Replace the current unclear description of what constitutes a Regional “Unlimited” Championship Tournament with the wording used in earlier rule books (e.g. “Regional Unlimited Championship Tournaments shall be five ten shot matches at 100 yards and five ten shot matches at 200 yards...” taken from 27th edition rule book). If not acceptable, provide information as to when the change in the unlimited regional event rule was revised and approved and the reason for the change. Submitted by Dave Tunbridge.

Mr. Bukys discussed the shooting and stated it was about shots and not groups. Mr. Zaccanti referred the Board to the rule book for clarification of the discussion.

Motion was made by Mr. Woodward to approve the change. Motion died for lack of second.

Northwest Region Items:

Ad- Hoc Item: Mr. Zaccanti asked the board about locating weights for 600 yard club matches. Several board members stated Don Neilson used to make them. Mr. Neary suggested Meiter Scale. Mr. Zaccanti questioned that since they would only hold 2 matches, were they required to have the weights? Mr. Hunter suggested he try borrowing a set from highway department. Mr. Creach stated they can combine sets of weights. Mr. Zaccanti stated he had a 10 pound, 10 ½ pound and a 3 pound set.

Mr. Zaccanti also questioned if old 2 bull 300 yard score targets that were printed 1996-99 were still legal to use at registered matches. Mr. Bukys stated that as long as they were NBRSA official targets, they were legal regardless of how old they were. They must also be shot for the discipline they were intended.

Ad- Hoc Item – Mr. Neary asked if we should have a standard traveling trophy form stating that whoever wins will return them to us. Mr. Mundy and Mr. Hunter stated it was a problem. No further discussion.

2018/2019 National Events

2018 Group Nationals – **Holton Gun Club, Holton, MI**

2019 Group Nationals – Fairchance Gun Club – Approve -2, Against - 6

Ben Avery Gun Club - Approve – 6 Against - 2

2018 – Long Range Nationals –**Rogue Valley Shooting Sport Assn. White City, OR**

2019 -Long Range Nationals– **Sloughhouse Benchrest Shooters (Sacramento, CA) Approve -7, Oppose 1**

2018 –Short Range Score Nationals– **Boone Valley Ikes. Webster City, IA**

2019 -Short Range Score Nationals– **Greeley (Northern Colorado Benchrest Shooters) – Eaton CO
Approve: 8**

2018 – LR Score Nationals– **Walker County Benchrest, Huntsville, TX**

2019 - LR Score Nationals– **Walker County Benchrest, Huntsville, TX Approve: 8**

2018 – LR Varmint Nationals – **Walker County Benchrest, Huntsville, TX**

2019 – LR Varmint Nationals – **Palomino Gun Club, Reno , NV Approve: 8**

Bids for 2020 National Events

Motion to recess at 5:15 pm was made by Mr. Zaccanti and second by Mr. Neary. It passed unanimously.

Mr. Gene Bukys NBRSA President called the NBRSA membership meeting to order at 12:30 pm on Wednesday, September 20, 2017. Mr. Bukys stated that the minutes from the Board of Directors on Saturday September 16, 2017 would be posted at the range for the memberships review.

He also discussed target paper changes and the Board had found a new paper that would be tested by some of the ranges as soon as the printer gets them printed.

Mr. Bukys reported that the Board has found a new printer for the magazine at a savings of over \$1,100.00 a month. The transition will take place as soon as the Editor can make arrangements to change. The NBRSA will incur the expenses to send Ms. Scarbrough to the new printer to work out the details.

Mr. Bukys brought up the upcoming World Team qualifying matches for the next World Championship to be held in Italy in 2019. He informed the members that the final decision of what matches would be the qualifying matches would be finalized in the closing Board Meeting immediately following the membership meeting. Once it is finalized, it will be posted in the magazine and on the NBRSA website.

Mr. Bukys discussed that the 50 bench requirement for a range to host a national has been removed.

He also discussed that the system currently in place to elect alternate directors was reviewed by the Board and it was agreed to leave the current system in place. It had been discussed in the Board meeting to have the Director select his alternate and not be elected due to issues in the past.

Mr. Bukys announced that due to the increase in debit/credit card charges that the use of online memberships would increase. Check and cash payments for memberships will remain the same. Mr. Bukys also announced that all advertiser payments, target order payments and match fee payments by debit/credit card will be charged a 3% processing fee. The Board also voted to increase the cost of the magazine for life members after August 27, 1999 from \$30.00 to \$48.00. Life members prior to that date are not required to pay for their magazine. These new fees go into effect on January 1, 2018.

Mr. Bukys discussed that members will be charged for extra copies of the magazine at a rate of \$5.00 plus postage if it is the fault of the member. Examples discussed were if you moved and failed to provide the business office with a new address, or if you simple wanted extra copies.

Mr. Bukys proceeded to go over each agenda item from the Board of Directors meeting and the locations of the 2018 and 2019 Nationals. These items are covered in the minutes from the Board of Directors meeting on September 16, 2017 for your review.

Mr. Bukys then opened the floor to the members. Mr. Dave Turnbridge, South West region member spoke against the increase in the fees. Mr. Tunbridge stated that members were being punished for using their cards. Mr. Bukys responded that it was not a punishment, that as an organization we were simply recovering our costs.

Mr. Tim Oltersdorf, Gulf Coast region member took the floor to discuss that we need to open our organization up to other venues such as bird matches and other disciplines to grow. Mr. Bukys agreed with him suggesting things such as clay, bottle caps.

Mr. Bart Sauter, Eastern region member brought back up the agenda item concerning the Sporter class and bumping the weight to 17 lbs. that was discussed by the Board and was voted against. He stated he thought it might help grow interest in the Group shooting. Mr. Gary Sinclair South west member asked the membership to consider changing the Sporter to a cruiser class. After further discussion,

Mr. Sauter made a motion to reconsider the agenda item of replacing the existing Sporter class with 17 lb. class. Motion was seconded by Mr. Cecil Peterson. Approve the reconsideration: 38 Against: 29. The agenda item will be reconsidered by the Board in the Board meeting.

Mr. Walt Berger, South West member took the floor and commented that high power shooting would not increase the membership by 10 people. He stated that Group is the hardest and most precise and that the high power shooters would not be interested. Mr. Sauter commented the F-class and 17 lb. were totally different.

Mr. Tunbridge returned to the floor and made a Motion to ask that the fee increase be reconsidered. Motion died due to a lack of a second.

Motion to adjourn the membership meeting was made by Jeff Thompson. Wade Hull seconded the motion.

2017 General membership meeting was adjourned at 12:55pm.

**Continued Board of Directors Meeting Agenda Items
September 20, 2017**

In attendance were:

Gene Bukys, President
Pam Campbell, Business Manager
Jack Neary, Eastern Regional Director
Scott Hunter, Gulf Coast Regional Director
Bud Mundy, Mississippi Valley Regional Director
Terry Meyer, North Central Regional Director
Steve Lee, Southeast Regional Director
Dan Zaccanti, Northwest Regional Director
Don Creach, Mid-Continent Regional Director Elect, by proxy

The NBRSA Board of Directors reconvened at 1:16pm on Wednesday, September 20, 2017 following the general membership meeting.

1. The Board of Directors addressed the Election of Officers as required by the NBRSA by-laws.

Mr. Bukys stated that we have a Vice presidential issue. He reminded the Board that Mr. Thornbury had stated that his resignation as Vice President of the NBRSA would be effective as soon as he handled the two (2) Certificates of Deposit still held by the Bank of the West. Mr. Thornbury had told Mr. Bukys that they came due on September 19, 2017 and that he did not attend the Nationals so he could handle the matter. He was the only one authorized to act on behalf of the NBRSA. Mr. Bukys stated since the first email resigning, Mr. Thornbury had sent another email stating that he wanted the Board to reconsider his resignation. Mr. Bukys felt that in light of Mr. Thornbury changing his range matches from NBRSA registered matches to IBS it would be in the best interest of the NBRSA to accept his original resignation. Mr. Neary stated his actions by converting to IBS clearing stated that he made a choice between the two (2) organizations. Mr. Mundy stated he made the choice prior to wanting to rescind his resignation. Mr. Zaccanti made the motion to accept Mr. Thornbury's written resignation. Mr. Creach seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Bukys will notify Mr. Thornbury. He stated he would excuse himself while the Board selected a candidate to fill the vacancy. Mr. Mundy asked Mr. Hunter if he was interested. Mr. Hunter stated that he would be willing to accept it and that he would like to assist Mr. Bukys in anyway possible. Mr. Mundy made the motion to nominate Mr. Hunter as Vice President. Mr. Neary asked Mr. Creach if he was interested in the position. Mr. Creach stated that he was just elected to serve his region and that he would like to work with his members to resolve some issues. Mr. Mundy suggested not filing the position since the Vice President position was a two year term and only a year remained. Mr. Mundy withdrew his original motion to nominate Mr. Hunter. Mr. Creach assured Mr. Bukys that all the Directors would be willing to assist over the next year should he need help.

Mr. Mundy made the Motion to not fill the Vice President position until next years Annual Board of Directors meeting. Mr. Neary seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

2. World Team Report – Wayne Campbell

Mr. Campbell recommended that the Board consider having 5 matches plus the Nationals. He stated that the point totals will still use the top two best matches plus the Nationals. This gives competitors an extra match that would definitely draw enough competitors since Raton has had problems the last couple years. He suggested the Cactus in Phoenix, AZ, Rattlesnake in Raton, NM, East/West in St. Louis, MO, Shamrock in Dublin, GA, and Hogroast in Fairchance, PA. Mr. Creach stated he would go to work on Raton and see if they could get the attendance back up at the Raton range. It had been suggested earlier that maybe Albuquerque range would consider hosting a qualifying match but Mr. Bukys stated he had discussed it with Mr. Ed Adams and they would not be able to host a match at this time. Mr. Campbell suggested dropping the points totals for regular qualifying matches from 75 to 70. This would help should a range not draw enough competitors to receive the current points of 75. He suggested to use next year as a trial year.

The Board voted unanimously.

3. Mr. Bukys re-addressed the Life Memberships. After discussion concerning the current waiver of no charge for the magazine for life member prior to 8/27/1999 and the current \$30.00 for members enrolled after that date, it was decided the fee would be raised to the cost of the magazine which is \$48.00. It was also decided that the Board would like for Ms. Campbell to provide a list of life memberships with the membership date and email the list to each director. The directors will then review the list for deceased members known to the director and notify the Business Manager who would then remove them from the membership list. Mr. Lee, Webmaster stated he would install a new query on the computer to help make this easier for the Business Manager. Fee increase will be effective after January 1, 2018 and life members affected will be notified.

4. Long Range Rule - Dan Zaccanti cleared up the misunderstanding concerning the rule on page 24 under Scoring, Ties and Penalties, section C. Record String Measurement. Currently in the rule book it states any shot that breaks the edge of paper. It will be changed to “ All record string shots must be clearly on paper so it can properly be measured.

Motion was made by Mr. Zaccanti and Mr. Neary seconded the motion to accept rule change. Motion passed unanimously

5. Mr. Bukys informed the Directors on the current procedure that the NBRSA uses to process long range targets for our Clubs. Targets ordered up to 300 yards are handled by the Business manager. 600 & 1000 yard targets are ordered directly by the clubs with Mr. Karl Hunstiger, the former printer of the magazine. Once a year Mr. Hunstiger sends the Business office a list of orders along with a check. Mr. Bukys thinks they should all be handled by the Business office. Mr. Meyer asked about the quality of the targets. Mr. Zaccanti stated that he had not had any complaints about the paper. Mr. Bukys also informed the Board that we had depleted the inventory at Orville Printing. He also stated the Orville Printing would like to do business with the NBRSA again. Mr. Meyer questioned how many targets we keep on hand. Ms. Campbell

explained the process the Business office uses to stock targets. She stated that basically the company we buy the targets from keeps a reasonable amount of inventory based on previous orders so that targets are readily available on demand to the clubs.

Mr. Neary stated that he was concerned about the issues evolving around the dismissal of the membership of Rodney Brown and the rumors that were circulating. Mr. Bukys told the Board to respond with true facts. Mr. Meyer reminded he was not removed from the U. S. World Team, but because he lost his NBRSA membership he would not be eligible.

Mr. Bukys brought up Mr. Sauters' motion to reconsider the 17lb gun. Mr. Lee commented that Mr. Sauter had convinced him that it was a good idea and a good way to get people interested. Mr. Meyer suggested trying it for 2 years. Mr. Mundy and Mr. Zaccanti suggested making it a new class. Mr. Creach stated it was changed a couple of years ago and it did not increase the membership by 2 members. Mr. Bukys stated that if you change the class then what would you do with all the records for the class. He stated that the sporter would disappear if it was not for the Hall of fame. Mr. Lee stated he was changing his mind again after all the discussion.

Motion was made by Mr. Neary to table the matter. Mr. Hunter seconded the motion. Approve: Mr. Neary, Mr. Hunter, Mr. Lee, Mr. Creach, Mr. Zaccanti. Against: Mr. Meyer. Motion was tabled.

Mr. Zaccanti informed the Board that a lot of clubs are not making any money when hosting matches due to the fact they have to rent the ranges. He stated that it had been discussed at some of the clubs to increase the National fees. Mr. Meyer and Mr. Bukys didn't think raising fees was a good idea and that they need to come up with other ways to get more members to participate.

A motion was made by Mr. Meyer to amend the service fee to 3.5 percent instead of 3 percent for targets, match fees and advertisements, the actual charge incurred by the NBRSA. Motion was seconded by Mr. Lee. Motion passed unanimously.

The floor was opened to general discussion. Mr. Neary asked what each director was hearing about the rotating relays during Nationals. Mr. Meyer stated he is hearing that more do not like than people who do. Mr. Hunter stated he hears people like but fear they will miss their relay. Mr. Hunter also stated it is in the rulebook. Mr. Mundy stated he would like to have the unlimited at the first week and get it over with so the shooters could put their guns away. Mr. Bukys suggested the Directors talk to their members and that all these matters be able until next year.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Mundy. Mr. Meyer seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 2:26 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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NBRSA Business Manager**