

Springfield Sports Club Inc / Fredericton Recreational Shooting Association

****draft**Annual General Meeting Minutes**

October 18, 2010

Present: Board Members , President Greg Gilbert , Treasurer Tim Cairns, Secretary Larry Schriver, CRO Bill Hancox Directors-at-Large John Harper, Bob Kierstead, Laurence Gilbey

35 members attended the meeting.

- Greg Gilbert called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

Old Business: 2009 AGM Minutes read by Larry Schriver. Greg asked Membership if there were questions or omissions. Steven Stewart proposed motion to accept Minutes as read; motion seconded, motion passed

New Business:

1. Tim provided membership update. At present 178 members. Membership down a bit; turnover approximately 25-30% annually; one group of 8 from Environment Canada did not renew. Some may not have renewed due to the \$150 fee; suggested our facility offers much to the membership
 - Question from the floor regarding potential follow-up regarding high membership turnover
 - Tim explained some turnover may be result of military postings; some join to purchase a firearm
 - Some may join neighboring clubs due to lower fees
 - Steven Stewart suggested Board could potentially assign someone to follow up with members that do not renew; Al Duguay volunteered to assist with follow up interview
 - One member suggested he would not appreciate a telephone call if he did not renew
 - Tim suggested the Board will discuss the issue
2. Tim provided 2010 financial update
 - Approximately \$9000 is in FRSA bank account; \$3400 is set aside for the legal fund
 - Explained that one covered firing point was constructed instead of the two originally planned
 - \$2500 in additional cost was incurred for the wood for target stands, cleaning toilets
 - Approximately \$10,000 for re-certification of 600m, 1000m ranges and other side berms

- \$900 ammunition for Open House; also used for groups that rent the range
- Insurance \$2400 (\$800 fee plus \$10/member)
- Major change to yearly expenses: lease cost is now \$180/year, down from \$1800/year because FRSA is now designated as a not-for-profit organization. Credit given for previous years so no payment required until 2012
- Lease expires this year. DNR to re-inspect the range
- \$3000 was applied to Contractor debt; \$3000 remains to be paid. The original debt was \$18,000
- IPSC NB has donated several props to the range, resulting in no more IPSC NB –owned props on the range. From this point onward replacement props will be paid for and built by FRSA
- Approximately \$1000 in fees was collected from range rentals
- FRSA is presently in strong financial position
- Matt Sandy posed a question to Tim regarding legal fund. Tim explained the events around the legal case and that the next step is to fight the CFO on ATT conditions. \$600 has been used to date and the remainder of the money is being held in trust
- Tim noted that our bills are being paid; existing funds being held in reserve to begin 2011. Some target stands are still being shot up.
- \$3000 is budgeted for targets and props for 2011. Discussed the success of a shrouded metal target to catch bullet splatter
- Tim advised members that members can email any questions regarding finances to Tim at any time throughout the year
- Steve Stewart proposed a motion to accept the two reports. Seconded by Ed Rowlinson, motion carried

3. Greg read the 2010 Range Report

- hosted the .22 rifle and pistol championship
- hosted the 2010 RNBRA Small Bore Championship
- increased interest in IPSC
- Club Cowboy Shooting Championship held
- Black powder shoot

- Hunter sight-in
- Successful Open House
- FRSA represented at Gun Shows: Fredericton Woods and Waters; O'Dell Gun Show
- Range re-certification inspection took place. Follow-up by the inspector is required to re-inspect the safety sign and fixes to berms. It was noted that the range inspector may have resigned his position
- Considerable expenditures for range re-certification and covered firing point
- Special "thanks" to Ed Rowlinson, Maintenance Contractor, for excellent work maintaining and improving the range
- Greg asked for a motion to accept the Range Report. ?? Proposed motion, Ed Rowlinson (?) seconded. Motion carried

Tim read the proposed budget for 2011:

- Red and green flag poles installed
- signage explaining allowed activities on each range
- Tim explained the side berm requirements for Gallery and Action Shooting (2.5m and 3.0m high)
- Range Inspector indicated that steel must deflect bullets downward
- Projects 165 members projected in the Budget
- \$17,000 budgeted for spending on the facility. Also outlined the major points in the budget:
 - Shelter on Range#4, approximately half the size of the existing covered firing point
 - The large building will soon require work on the floor
 - Two tandem loads of stone to be dumped
 - Proposed membership fee remain unchanged at \$150

Dan Toner suggested that new members be accepted at the regular \$150 fee later in the season, so also include the following calendar year. Tim suggested this item will be on the agenda for the next Board meeting in November.

Greg called for a motion to accept the proposed budget. Motion offered by ?? and seconded by ?? . motion carried

Greg described upcoming events:

- Oct 31st fall cleanup day
- .22 rifle and pistol shoots go through the fall and winter season

Larry read the three proposed changes to By-Law 6.2, 6.3, 7.1

1. Change to By-law 6.2 proposes that only "...members in good standing" may be elected to the Board of Directors

2. Change to By-law 6.3 proposes that Directors be elected as a group, and that the Directors then determine which individual holds each position on the Board of Directors
3. Change to By-law 7.1 proposes that members present at each Annual General Meeting will determine the date for the following Annual General Meeting

Most members agreed with the first and third proposals. With respect to the second proposal, Greg explained the reasons for the proposed change were to a) clarify the Executive positions, and 2) to allow the elected Directors to decide who will fill the Executive positions. Much discussion “for” and “against” took place:

For:

- John and Greg indicated that other organizations elect Board of Directors in this manner
- Several other members expressed support

Against

- Dan Toner indicated that he has served on Boards of several organizations which elect to specific positions
- Steve Stewart indicated that as one who participated in the drafting of the original Constitution, the intention was to elect to specific Board positions

After discussion, Greg called for a motion to vote on the three proposed changes. Ed Rowlinson seconded. Results of the three votes:

By-law 6.2 passed – none opposed

By-law 6.3 passed – 22 “for”, 7 “against”

By-law 7.1 passed – none opposed

Greg proposed the 2011 Slate of Directors:

- Greg Gilbert
- Steve Stewart
- John Harper
- Laurence Gilbey
- Robert Kierstead
- Matthew Sandy
- Tim Cairns
- Larry Schriver

Greg twice called for nominations from the floor. None were received. Greg called for a motion to accept the Slate of Directors. Motion seconded by Steve Stewart. Motion passed unanimously.

Greg asked for new business from the floor.

Tim recommended the 2011 Annual General Meeting be held on Monday October 17th, 2011 at O'Dell Lodge. Motion to accept proposed by Steve Stewart, seconded by Ed Rowlinson. Motion carried

The Board of Directors will fill the positions on the Executive during the November 2010 Board of Directors meeting.

Greg called for a motion to adjourn meeting. Seconded by ???. Motion carried.