

## Annual Business Meeting EPR 2011

Carrsville, VA

Meeting Called to order by Jerry H.

In the Absence of a Secretary Jillian M. agreed prior to the meeting serve as acting secretary

Minutes to be done by newly elected secretary

### Roll Call

Jerry Heister - Present

Wade Reynolds - Present

Rita Lurvey – Present

Jennifer Beaty – Present but resigned

Jeff Hunt – Present

Mike Radke – Absent

Dan Duhamel – Present but not seated

John Francis Anthony Affonso – Present

Jillian Knight-Miner – Present

Ruth Py – Present

Eric Davis – Absent not seated

Mike Jaminson – Absent

Winston Roland- Absent

Jerry Middendorf- Absent

Quorum of 7 delegates present? Yes

Welcome by the Chairman: Jerry H.

April, 2011 Phone Conference minutes

Motion by Rita L.: Not read minutes of meeting

2<sup>nd</sup> Ruth Py

Motion Carried 7-0

Motion to Accept Minutes

Motion: John A

2<sup>nd</sup>: Jillian M

Motion Passed 7-0

Brief Speech by Chairman: Jerry H.

We have a lot to go over today I think we can get through it if we keep moving. It's been a trying week but we're getting through it. I spoke to NMLRA members due to health and vehicle issues they won't be able to attend today.

Treasurer Report by Treasurer: Rita L.

Our bank Wachovia merged with Wells Fargo this presented challenges due to being unable to setup checking accounts due to lack of branches in areas where we hold events.

Tried using debit cards these didn't work. If you'd like details as to why please call Rita

Boosway's will now receive a checkbook with a \$1000 dollars and a debit card that debits that account only, directly from Rita. This could present problems if

the booshway keeps the card and doesn't tell clerk they've used it. Please inform booshways to contact Rita if they know they need the account replenished.

All receipts must Have Right Forms attached & clearly marked paid or need paid by the treasurer.

Please give gate people better training on filling forms out.

Money: not completely accurate please contact Rita L. for more precise accounting

Booshway Bucks: \$19,500

Working Account: \$65,594

Small Business Money Market: \$7,151.18

Money Market CD: \$24,000

All Statements available by request via USPS contact Rita L. by phone or Email.

Motion to Accept Treasurer Reports

Motion: Ruth Py

2<sup>nd</sup> Jeff H

Motion Passed 7-0

Secretary's Report

Skipped due to lack of a Secretary

Reports on Rendezvous

COD 2011 By Dan D.: Site moved numbers were down due to weather and Don Jill Rocitte stepping back and not advertising the event the event still made some money.

COD 2012 by Dan D.: New Co Captains for event Russell Buck and Dan Duhamel site to remain the same for at least 2012 and 2013 even though it's not as nice will start looking for a new site after 1<sup>st</sup> of the year working more closely with schools, scouting, and home schools to help keep up the teaching required by the 501c3. Dan wants to install a teaching gun range with help from Jerry H., for beginners only not an open range. We are waiting on approval from land owner. Question about foundation insurance policy by Allen B. does it cover shooting at this event?

Answer from Jerry H.:

Yes it's a blanket policy that covers all events

ONTPR 2011 by Vicki Johnson scribe for event: Very pleased with site and turn out everything for the event went smoothly everyone pleased. Campers at event ran an auction for Ceaserer's Creek Pioneer Village for updates to their site this started a discussion on is this allowed. Point of order called by Jerry H. that it should be discussed if desired during the meeting.

ONTPR 2012 by Dan D.: Segundo for event: Booshway Dan'l Cain Dates are July 6 -14 2012 Site is in Canton, OH. Site is starting to be prepped. There are still a few obstacles to overcome Rita is familiar with most of these. Dates are slightly different but we've gotten some pretty good feedback on them. We are expecting a good turnout. All Contracts and bids are in except one and should be in by end of next week.

ONTPR 2013 by Jerry H: Dates are June 21-29 2013 Booshway is Karen Ball; Site is Ceaserer's Creek Pioneer Village. We will hear more about this as it draws closer.

Mid-West 2011 by Rita L. was Held in southern IL. It was hot and small. Believed to break even site was great but needs to be held sometime other than August.

Eric Davis pretty much took over running of event. Per request of Boosway and Segundo was totally absent.

Mid-west 2012 by Rita L.: Delegate in Charge is Eric Davis who is absent due to death in Family. Event will be at Muddy Lake in WI the sight is established as a rendezvous sight. Will be shuttling Handicap to and from Handicap modern camping. Event will directly follow Prairie Deschain early pull in to the park allowed but not in the event area till early setu

NEPR 2011 by John A.: went really smooth made about \$4000.00 Heat was unbearable had a few injuries due to heat. One complaint from people is they'd like the NEPR out of NY. Interruption by Jerry H. explains voting for site not boosway. As things stand do not have a site for 2012. Boosway bucks and cash difference are to be turned over to Rita L. after meeting.

NEPR 2012 Delegate in Charge Jeff H.: No site at moment has offer from IMM of PA in Emmelton, PA Jeff proposes using this site. Need board approval to move to PA. Discussion moved to another part of meeting. Possibly Old business but not for sure.

EPR 2011 by Jerry H. Delegate in Charge: Do not be surprised if this event loses money. When problems come up we have to take care of them (referring to mud). The staff has done a great job with the weather they've had. Staff is working on making sure people can get out.

EPR 2012 by Ruth P. Delegate in Charge: Site is Troy, OH Dates are September 21 – 29 2012 Budget is in and being adjusted. Fliers are out and approved. Site is having work parties.

SEPR2011 by Wade R. Booshway: Everything is going great bridges being built to ranges and everything should be ready for this event.

SEPR 2012: Currently no staff or sight. Please ask around. Sites are easy to come by staff is the problem.

Speech by Rita L.:

Believes we should start new seminar class to be held for prospective Booshway's and delegates. This works really well for the Mid-West. They don't have a problem getting booshways and delegates. Please try this at your events.

OLD BUSSINESS

Blizard update by Jerry H.:

Jerry went to preliminary hearing in WV if he had not been there the case would have been thrown out due to the 6<sup>th</sup> amendment (right to face your accuser). Ms. Blizard's attorney at that point waived the preliminary hearing. Case is now being held over to a grand jury hearing. Should be heard the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of September 2011 but may not have been able to reach a DA for conformation. If it was not heard the DA's office has 3 times to put it before the Grand Jury. Will continued to keep the board updated as info becomes available.

Taxes by Jerry H:

Received letter about a year ago from IRS due to taxes not being filed since 2007 they pulled our 501c3 tax status. At that time the board approved hiring of an accounting firm all available info sent to them by Rita L. and Jerry H. Accounting firm told Jerry H. we may have dodged bullet due to the Law changes from the IRS

there were roughly 255,000 groups lost their 501c3. Accountant said if we file 2010 and forward taxes pay an \$800.00 fee to IRS for reinstatement we can continue to operate as a nonprofit group. This should also cover us in the interim we should be okay according to the Accountant unless the IRS for some reason doesn't approve our reinstatement. Jerry will continue to update the board

#### Gate Hours

Were changed during a phone conference. To 3-6pm for any vehicular traffic, after early setup. This is creating a lot of problems. This should be looked at during New Business. Rita L. says this will not work from her perspective as a gate captain.

Motion by Wade: Repeal motion of changing gate hours from phone conference.

2<sup>nd</sup> by Rita

Amendment to motion by Wade: reverts to previous rules the Booshway has discretion on gate hours.

Passed 7-0

Original Motion Passed 7-0

#### Medical Staff:

Jerry H. believes we are opening the foundation and volunteers up to liability by calling our first aiders Medical staff, because this implying that they have the ability to practice medicine.

Motion by Jillian M: We cease to call our Medical people Medical and start calling them First Aide Responders

2<sup>nd</sup> John A.

Belief is by changing this rule we make our people less likely to be sued and they now fall under the Good Samaritan Law.

Motion passed 7-0

Policy on Service Animal

Motion by Wade R.: To establish guide lines on service animals.

2<sup>nd</sup> Jeff H.

Dan D. asked about the fact of this being old business. Was told no cause it has been discussed before.

Discussion on Legitimacy of service animal

Dan D. says service animals should be leashed and vested with markings

Jerry H says according ADA we can't keep them out or we open ourselves to lawsuits. The only thing we are allowed to ask about the service animals is what service they perform. If a legitimate service animal becomes a nuisance we can then ask them to leave.

Wade R. then says we should adopt ADA rules governing service animals.

Original Motion withdrawn by Wade R. and 2<sup>nd</sup> Jeff H.

Motion: by Wade R. to adopt ADA rules governing service animals as our guidelines

2<sup>nd</sup> John A.

Discussion by Wade R. this opens a big can of worms after reading ADA rules we are basically powerless. On proving a service animal is an actual service animal.

Jillian says we need to certify these animals somehow.

Wade reads from ADA rules on their web site: We basically can do nothing about them we must allow them.

Motion passes 6 -1? Taped stopped



New Business

Roll Call

Jerry Heister – Present

Wade Reynolds- Present

Rita Lurvey – Present

Jeff Hunt – Present

Mike Radke – Absent

Dan Duhamel- Present

John Francis Anthony Affonso - Present

Jillian Knight-Miner – Present

Ruth Py – Present

Eric Davis – Absent

Winston Roland – Absent

Jerry Middendorf- Absent

Install new Delegates

New Delegates

Dan Duhamel and Eric Davis

Reelected Delegates

Jerry Heister and Jeff Hunt

A New Delegate from the SEPR will be seated after the event. By e-mail

All new delegates are now seated

Point of order by Wade installing new executive Board

Nomination for Secretary

Ruth P. By Rita L. 2<sup>nd</sup> Dan D

Ruth P. Declined position

Dan D. by Wade R. 2<sup>nd</sup> Rita L.

Position accepted

Unanimous decision

Nomination for Treasurer

Rita L. by Wade R. 2<sup>nd</sup> Jeff H.

Position accepted

This will be her last year as Delegate she doesn't intend to run as delegate again but will work with any one elected to do it next year.

Unanimous decision

Nomination vice Chair Wade R. by Dan D. 2<sup>nd</sup> Jeff H.

Position accepted

Nomination for Chairmen

Jerry H. by Wade R. 2<sup>nd</sup> John A.

Position accepted

Unanimous decision

Range Officer Training Course Tabled till Eric Davis is present to present this point.

Motion by Rita L.: Written guidelines for booshways on how to handle illegal activities.

2<sup>nd</sup> Wade R.

Discussion: John A. according to the current rules staff only has the right to the edge of a person's camp without the legal authorities and a search warrant.

Jerry H. All state and federal laws apply to us at camp and camper's camps are considered private property.

Rita L. What are the Staff members allowed to do? What if the Staff member violates private property laws? What do we do to that person?

Jerry H. Says we can't do anything without the offended person coming up to us as board and asking us to bring this staff member up on ethics charges.

Jillian M. Asks what if a camper steals from a trader. How do they initiate steps to handle theft? Start with the Booshway and go forward.

Jerry H. To revise booshway books to reflect changes so staff knows they aren't above State and Federal Laws and are not to consider themselves a police force.

Motion Passed 8-0

Pre Registration form

Motion by Dan D.: For use of Pre Reg. forms from Muzzle Blast, Web Sites and Hand Books only.

2<sup>nd</sup> Rita L.

Discussion: Office Manager Bev H.: Problem coming from the fact events are using Pre Reg. Forms at the Gate instead of the Registration form. Pre Reg. forms are only good 30 days prior to event. Delegates need to be checking in with the gate Cpt. and booshway and make sure they are getting proper training and using the proper form at the gate.

Motion withdrawn by Dan D. and 2<sup>nd</sup> Rita L. due to the fact this issue is more for the good of the foundation

## Fliers and Gate Books

Motion by Rita L.: All Fliers and Gate Books to be edited and approved at the Business Office

2<sup>nd</sup> Dan D.

Discussion: Jerry H.: With Jen stepping down as secretary we'll have a new secretary and this is problem due to the mish mosh of fliers and Gate Books. Not having all the correct information.

Motion Passed 8-0

Motion by Rita L. All dates for events are approved by the Chairmen of the Board.

2<sup>nd</sup> John A.

Discussion Dan D. asks why is this duty being taken away from the secretary

Jerry H. Basically cause Secretary's shouldn't and in the corporate world they don't approve dates for business.

Wade R. Why is it so hard for events to have and keep dates?

General Consensus: Dates should be given on first come first serve basis.

Passes 7-1

## Artillery Rules

Motion by John A. To put Artillery Rules in the Foundation Rule book.

2<sup>nd</sup> Jeff H.

Discussion John A.: There are too many discrepancies between a gun range and artillery for the same rules to work

Jerry H. We currently have no written rules to put in the book?

Bev H. Correct

John A. I will take the responsibility to write artillery rules using NMLRA and other sources as a guide

Motion Tabled till next Phone Conference for John A. to have time to write rules.

Committee of one appointed write Artillery Rules for the NRLHF  
John accepted committee chairmanship

Quartermaster Duties

Jerry H.: JD and Randy approached Jerry about changing the way the Quartermasters duties are done.

Proposal from JD

All Foundation equipment is to be stored in a central location in this case Southern VA. As quartermaster all equipment will be stored in a large box trailer owned by the quartermasters there will be a lease charge paid to them for the trailer. They will deliver all equipment to every event and make sure that it can be set up, there will be a charge for delivering the equipment to the event to come out the event budget roughly \$1.00 -\$1.10 a mile. They will be on sight only to make repairs as needed not to set up equipment. The equipment will be standardized all poles made to the same length. All equipment would be stored in the trailer so every event would have access all foundation equipment. As well as changing all water buffalos to standard (SAE) buffalos so that they can be maintained with parts from any hardware store in the country. Also buying or making a kit of Dog Soldier and First Aide responders bags with Radios batteries and other important information in them, also the foundation would then supply at a cheaper cost than events can buy batteries and radio. Also a continuing updating and replacing equipment as needed. JD is supposed to make a written proposal before the next foundation meeting via phone. This will be a non paid position; they will do the duties of quartermaster for free.

Motion by Dan D.: For JD to put proposal together & become quartermaster for maintaining all foundation equipment.

2<sup>nd</sup> Ruth P.

Motion Passed 8-0

Committee of one made to work with JD on doing a trial run for the SEPR 2011  
Wade accepted committee chairmanship

Motion by Wade to allow smoking during the foundation meeting in confines of the tavern.

2<sup>nd</sup> Dan D.

Discussion Jillian M. Ruth will this affect you.

Ruth P no not at all

Motion passed 7 – 1

Motion by John A.: NEPR to Accept Emmelleton, PA site for the NEPR 2012 due to its being a border state.

2<sup>nd</sup> Rita L.

Discussion Jerry H.: The rules state if there are no sites proposed and no sites are found by January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year of the event. Then a border state may be used with board approval.

Motion withdrawn by John A. and Rita L.

Motion by Rita L. Change wording on Lack of event sight or personnel To Rendezvous be held in a neighboring state with board approval without waiting till January 1<sup>st</sup> date

2<sup>nd</sup> by Jeff H.

Discussion Jerry H. doesn't agree with changing the rule

Jillian M. suggest we change wording to less than a year out after closing of the event

Wade: where did this rule come from? He has never seen this rule before or heard of it. Can't find where or when this came into effect

Bev: When she started putting new books together she found stuff missing and stuff put in that had never been there before, but was in the meeting minutes.

Motion passed 8-0

Motion to put above rule into effect immediately by Wade R.

2<sup>nd</sup> Dan D.

Motion Passed 8-0

Motion by Dan D.: Add Michigan to territory for the mid-west effective immediately

2<sup>nd</sup> Rita L.

Discussion: Dan D. The Mid-west has used this area a lot more in the last ten years than the ONWTPR

Motion Passed 8 – 0

Motion: by Jeff H. Allow the NEPR to be held in Emmeleton, PA

2<sup>nd</sup> Jillian M.

Discussion: Wade what is Land cost \$2000.00

Due to current rules budget and contracts must be approved as a normal rendezvous would

Motion Passed 8 – 0

For the good of the Foundation

Letter from Concerning John A. at the NEPR from Neil Simmons:

Handicapped people setting up camp during the extreme heat camp took longer than the rules allowed; camper said it took them 2 - 3 hours. Gate people said don't push to get setup done due heat.

John A. Also said that it took almost 6 hours for them to unload, he tried to apologize latter in the week and believed the problem had been settled. He believes that rules should be enforced.

The boards belief on this matter is John A. Should in the future act more calm and offer to help instead of just trying to enforce the rules.

Jerry will respond to Neil's Letter

Copy of Letter is available from Jerry H.

John A. Said in the future we need to follow the rules but he will try to be diplomatic

Budgets

Delegates in charge check budgets more carefully due to money being wasted on large ticket items. Booshway should work with the Delegates Then they should take it to the Treasurer for approval.

When Sending Books to new booshways send Old Budgets with them

Rita will send them to delegates if they request them.

Budget vs. Actual Sheets

Please use them at the close of the event! It will help you and your booshway balance and close your books.

Also use the Vouchers to pay your big ticket items.



## Event Web Sites

Needs to have all proper information and it needs to be up to date

Must Haves: Directions, Emergency Contacts, Visitor Info

## Gate Book

Please follow the printed gate book if you can't post changes and let campers know ASAP

## Booshway Delegate Hand Book

When you get new pages take old ones out and destroy them and put new pages in proper place.

## Garbage Runs

These must be done. If conditions affect this we can adjust how they're done. This is a sanitary issue make sure your booshways know this.

Gate books should include rules concerning HAZ-MAT materials chamber pots diabetic needles proper disposal of these items for the protection of our event staff.

## Business Office

This is not to be used for foundation business please help Bev keep this separate by having your booshways contact you or the board. If it's board businesses

please keep it with the board. This includes what you send to Jerry or call and leave messages with Bev for Jerry.

Advertising

Gate books are to be advertising other NRLHF events for free.

Motion to Adjourn Rita L.

2<sup>nd</sup> by all

Thanks from Jerry H to all for all the help and support