

Miami Rifle and Pistol Club
Annual Meeting Minutes - **DRAFT******
Saturday, October 23, 2021

Attendance:

<u>Officers</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Present</u>
President	John Smith	Y
Vice President	Todd Prickett	N
Treasurer	John Herdering	N
VP Membership	John Toll	Y
VP Grounds	Kevin Donahoe	N
VP Rifle	Greg Boothby	Y
VP Pistol	Chris Hiteman	Y
VP IT / Property	John Goss	Y
Secretary	Scott Galloway	Y

74 Members in attendance.

President's Call to Order: The 2021 MRPC Annual Meeting was called to order at 12:30. John Smith presiding.

Welcome and Pledge of Allegiance to the United States was led by John Smith

The invocation was given by Michael Vott

Recognition of the following groups and individuals was led by John Smith:

Veterans of the United States Armed Forces
Match Directors
Board of Directors
Mike Olsey
Annual Meeting Sponsors-
Gina Dubell-Smith Realtor
Scott Galloway recognized John Smith for his leadership during FY21.

Approval of Minutes:

Scott Galloway, Secretary, was introduced to present the Minutes for the 2020 MRPC Annual Meeting. Copies were distributed. A motion to receive the Minutes and to accept them as written was made by Dave Williams. The motion was seconded by Mike Flora. John Smith opened the floor for questions. No questions were recorded. John Smith called for a vote which was unanimously recorded.

Treasurer's Report:

John Smith, reported on financial status and account balances, deposits and expenditures for John Herdering, MRPC Treasurer. The following highlights were recorded:

Total Current Assets -	\$400,575.78	-\$57,844.14	+16.9%
Total Fixed Assets -	\$551,636.21	-\$15,648.37	-2.8%
Total Liabilities / Equity -	\$952,711.99	+\$42,195.77	+4.6%
Income –			
Annual Dues	\$206,523.35	+\$7,387.37	+3.7%
Total Income	\$259,814.29	+\$16,630.19	+6.8%
Total Expenses -	\$217,481.89	-\$9,854.50	-4.3%
Net Income -	\$43,332.40	+\$26,484.69	+167.1%

John Smith called for questions. None recorded.

A motion to receive the treasurer’s report was received by Greg Boothby. Mike Flora seconded the motion. A called vote was received and unanimously recorded.

Membership Report:

John Toll, VP Membership, presented the following 2021 annual report:

This year began with inviting our usual 30 applicants to the orientations. Our numbers were still down due to the usual issues of 4 year waiting list, like people moving, or just losing interest in becoming a member, so we implemented the following changes:

1. At our April meeting, the Board decided to change the Accelerated Waiting List to include a 24 credit cap. If someone achieves 24 credits, they move to the top of the list. This gives applicants a clear goal that they can achieve.
2. In August, I started sending out 40 invitations a month, keeping in mind the option of dividing the orientation into 2 groups between Mark Dorger and me if too many applicants attended.

Another issue was getting applicants that have finished their orientation to complete their 8 hours of volunteer time to become a member. This issue was addressed in the following manner:

1. At our May Board meeting, we decided to shorten the time the applicant has to complete their volunteer time from 1 year from their orientation to 6 months. This creates an urgency, which seems to be paying off.
2. Re-implement the Buy-Out Plan. At one time we would allow applicants to bring \$200.00 to orientation to “buy out” their volunteer requirement. Later the Board decided to make option available by Board approval for special circumstances. At the July board meeting, we decided to bring this back as an option to all applicants, but at a rate of \$500.00. Within 15 minutes of emailed the announcement out to all applicants who needed to complete their volunteer requirement, I received 3 requests to use this option and 4 more before the August board meeting. In September we had 2 and 3 more in October. Also, at that July meeting, we voted to increase the initiation fee from \$150.00 to \$200.00.

John Smith called for questions for the VP membership. None recorded.

President’s Report:

John Smith, President, highlighted following projects that were completed in 2021:

“Miami Rifle and Pistol Club is in good shape and getting better all the time. The drain in front of the High Power 200 yard line was placed and flows a lot of water off that hill. At the same, we had the 200 yard bench rest berm reinforced and extended about 25 feet. Board Member Todd Prickett started an R&D project to get some functional, reliable steel at both 150 and 200 yards. That steel is incredibly popular. At the beginning of that project Todd’s committee would repair, reset, try something different and 3 days later all the steel would be laying on the ground. At this point it is pretty darn solid. This group also, with Board permission tried NON-steel reactive targets mounted in target frames on the High Power Range. These non-steel targets are a kind of rubberized plastic. The rounds went through without causing any movement of the target. I was really hoping that would work because that was something that might have gotten me out on that range. After milking the HVAC unit in the clubhouse along for about 10 years past its life expectancy we finally replaced it and the gable vent that it had to go through to be installed. One of our members who owns a heating and air company was contracted to handle that project which was not without challenges. Notice the new vent. There is one big project that didn’t get done that I promised you last year, the MP Range Crossing improvement. Within the last month I’ve just given up on the contractor who was going to do the work. He gave us a budgeting estimate and we talked timeline then he just became unavailable. Honestly they are a very big company and our project is like a weekend deal for them; while that means they are very capable it also means we are not going to move their bottom line. I am in the process of quoting and buying telephone poles to replace the foot bridges at the 200yd high power firing line and bench rest range. I had NO idea how expensive new poles are. That project will likely be done over the winter weather permitting. Two new matches came to the club this last year, ARA matches shot on the small bore and Steel Challenge shot on the pistol bays. Both matches are doing well and are well attended. One of the funniest phone calls I’ve had this year was from Mike Osley. I walked away from my desk to answer his call and when I ask what was going on he says “somebody painted phallus all over the MP range.” Now, honestly that stopped me in my tracks and there was a long pause. That pause was for 2 reasons, first I was wondering if I heard him right and secondly that Mike would even use the word Phallus. Then Mike says, you know what a phallus is right? I said don’t be a dick. The culprit was apprehended and punished. Scott Galloway cleaned up the graffiti. That brings me to what I thought was the funniest comment by a board member in the last year. Within three weeks we had a member walk down range at the bench rest range while the range was hot, we had a member and guest shooting full auto in the wrong bays of the MP range and we had a member get out of his car and walk past the barrier by the MP range and up the driveway to let the high power guys shooting from 600 yards know he was ready to leave. When notice of the last event was sent to the board Mr. Prickett responded with “What is happening to our members?” Just so you know, none of those people, Gary Wages and his guest Steve Gray, Orville Kelch, or barrier buster are members anymore and are not welcome here. In the last year our Rifle Disciplines had 1303 Member shooters, 240 non-member shooters, 154 junior shooters; for a total of 1697 shooters bringing in a gross income of \$12,366.00 of which they spent \$6878.10 to provide a net income of \$5487.90, or \$3.23/shooter. Then there is Pistol who only had 2524 member shooters, 1071 nonmember shooters, for a total of 3594 shooters grossing \$25,184.03 of which they spent \$11128.56 and netted out to the club \$14055.47 or \$3.91 per shooter. That is over 440 people per month competing in matches. The only reason that can happen is because of the incredible people in this club who step up and volunteer their time to make it happen; you all amaze me, I really appreciate all that you do. I challenge each and every one of us to go out of our way to politely educate and inform other club members and guests if we see rules violations. Should a polite approach be rebuffed, unless you provide me with a members name, and or an accurate description of date, time, range, car; we cannot do a damn thing about it. The state of Miami Rifle and Pistol Club is good, and getting better.”

Honorary Member Present:

John Smith introduced Joe Beeker to make an Honorary Member presentation for 2021. Joe began by stating he doesn’t know of a more deserving candidate for the Honorary Member Award. He has known the recipient for more than 12 years and describes him in one word... “Selfless”. His years of supporting the clubs functions while both serving as a board member, active match director and participant and work day volunteer are noted. The candidate conducted the new member orientation for over a decade and volunteered for

countless weekend renewal duties at the clubhouse. Joe introduced the 2021 Honorary Member, Mr. Mark Dorger.

New Business:

1. John Smith opened the floor for new business for the membership.

Berry Cole asked if steel targets at the high power range.

A – Steel targets had previously been tried at the range but the spall was causing damage to the target devices.

Lou Helsel stated that the club looks greater. Mike Osley is credited with keeping on top of the needed repairs and improvements.

Glen Zimmerman asked that the current and past MRCP board members stand to be recognized to their outstanding support of the club.

Ed Averwater asked if the tri-fold calendar font could be larger for future printings.

Todd Kolher, Junior Small Bore MD, gave an update on the discipline since taking over the roll from Keith Zimmerman. A \$700 donation was received on behalf of Barry Cole.

John Grote, Junior High Power MD, gave an update on the discipline.

Glen Zimmerman, Bowling Pin MD, gave a reflection on Keith Zimmerman's impact to the club and the juniors program.

2. John Smith introduced a proposed change to the Constitution for Article V: Officers, Vice president Property. John distributed the following proposal:

1. Constitutional Changes Proposed:

a. ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP PARAGRAPH A)

i. EXISTING TEXT: A) Resident Member. Any individual, 19 years of age or over, lawfully possess firearms and a member of the National Rifle Association may become a Resident member of The Organization on a majority vote of the Board of Directors and on payment of current applicable initiation fees and dues for a Resident Member.

ii. TEXT TO BE CHANGED TO: A) Resident Member. Any individual, 19 years of age or over, lawfully possess firearms may become a Resident member of The Organization on a majority vote of the Board of Directors and on payment of current applicable initiation fees and dues for a Resident Member.

b. ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP PARAGRAPH B)

i. EXISTING TEXT: B) Non-Resident Member: Any individual, 19 years of age or over, lawfully possess firearms and a member of the National Rifle Association, with principle residence more than 100 air miles from The Organization property may become a Non- Resident member of The Organization on a majority vote of the Board of Directors and on payment of the current applicable initiation fees and dues for a Non-Resident Members.

ii. TEXT TO BE CHANGED TO: B) Non-Resident Member: Any individual, 19 years of age or over, lawfully possess firearms with principle residence more than 100 air miles from The Organization property may become a Non- Resident member of The Organization on a majority vote of the Board of Directors and on payment of the current applicable initiation fees and dues for a Non-Resident Members.

2. BYLAWS CHANGES THAT RESULT FROM CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGE

a. BYLAWS: 302 *Must be a member in good standing of the National Rifle Association; Spouse and Junior Members are exempt from this rule only.*

i. ACTION TO BE TAKEN: REMOVE 302 FROM BYLAWS

b. BYLAWS: 704: *Any Director or member of The Organization who has been suspended or expelled by the National Rifle Association of America shall automatically stand suspended from The Organization immediately upon the receipt of official notice of the Secretary of The Organization from the Secretary of the National Rifle Association.*

i. ACTION TO BE TAKEN: REMOVE 704 FROM BYLAWS

c. BYLAWS: 705 *The National Rifle Association will be given a complete report whenever a member of the Club is expelled showing charges and action taken. The Board may submit a report on Suspension.*

i. ACTION TO BE TAKEN: REMOVE 705 FROM BYLAWS

John Smith opened the meeting for discussion on the two proposed changes. Multiple views both “for” and “against” were expressed by various members. After a lengthy discussion, Member Dave Williams called for a vote. The motion was seconded by and John Smith called the members to vote by a show of hands for both “for” and ‘against”. The vote “against” overwhelmingly carried.

John Smith announced that the proposed constitutional changes were defeated.

Election of Officers

John Smith explained the current board vacancies for 2022. He called for any other members with interest to serve. No volunteers were recorded. John Smith introduced the two nominees for the open board positions. **Mike Keder** and **Glenn Minano** both have volunteered for consideration as MRPC board members. John Smith called for a vote on the two candidates for the two open board seats. The vote was unanimous in favor of adding both Mike and Glenn to the 2022 MRPC Board. They were invited to attend the November board meeting as newly installed members.

John Smith called for any other business at hand. No topics were recorded.

John Smith closed the meeting at 1:28.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Galloway
MRPC Secretary