

Oil Capital Rod & Gun Club

MINUTES

November 13, 2023, 19:00 hr. Main Clubhouse

Regular Board Meeting

	2023		2024		2025
Present	Jack Killingsworth	Present	David Woodral	Present	Bob Williams
Present	Gary Kruse	Present	Brad Cheffey	Present	Don Akin
Present	Rick Peeler	Present	Larry Bahler	Present	Jack Ostendorf

Welcome and Introductions: Call to Order by Chairman Larry B.

Chair

Motion to approve agenda by Brad C., 2nd Jack K. None opposed. Motion carried.

Members & Guests with Business:

Chair

Members Lonnie Vermillion #201, Randy Roberts #473, John Roberts #633, Ian Zacher #045 and new member David Boone attended the meeting.

Lonnie Vermilion appeared to update the BoD on his fall muzzle loader shoot and discuss next year. He indicated he was asked by a couple of pistol shooters to pass on to the BoD that they appreciated the pistol bay berm work. He indicated that he picked the wrong date for his October shoot as it conflicted with Arkansas deer season and a muzzle loader shoot in Oklahoma City. He had 14 shooters with 3 being members. He was able to turn in some proceeds to the Club. He indicated that next year he will have a Stew Shoot on March 23, 2024, a Territorial Shoot on April 25, a Championship Shoot July 18-21 and a Chili Shoot for the locals on October 19, 2024.

Randy and John Roberts indicated they were along to observe the meeting.

Director Rick Peeler opened dialogue concerning organized pistol matches. He pointed out that a concern last month was there are more guests than members at pistol matches and he pointed out that shotgun and muzzle loader matches have more guests than members. He emphasized that if we are to be the premier gun Club we advertise to be, we must serve all members and shooting sports. He indicated he has competed in 3 states this year and they had 200 to 700 shooters at pistol events. Rick advocates for modification of our current bays for increased pistol competition and expansion of bays for more member shooting and to accommodate growth.

Ian Zacher asked about the BoD's growth plan for the Club. We discussed average member age. Don A. brought up that BoD is responsible for maintenance and long-term health of Club. He advocates a growth plan to attract new members by holding matches of all types. Discussed that matches bring in younger shooters. The 1,000 shooter Oklahoma Sporting Clays event was used as an example. Jack O. indicates we are working with youth in a steel challenge program. David W. indicated we serve members first and Jack K. reminded everyone that dues are what run the Club as a non-profit organization. Ian Zacher brought up that he is here frequently and only sees shooters on weekends so we need more bays for members for weekend shooting when matches are held. Rick P. brought up that he has been to several other clubs that have a lot of steel challenge events with heavy youth participation. Larry B. brought up our youth scholastic shotgun program with 200 shooters per day from rural schools in our state.

David Boone reported on a small range in Arkansas that provides enough space for all eight phases of steel challenge. We can only host 5 phases here. Larry B. indicated that he would present the pros and cons of all ideas that have been put forth to the BoD to members at the dinner meeting. BoD generally discussed encroachment by neighbors, sound issues and maintenance of buildings. Larry reiterated nothing has been decided yet on any project.

Secretary:

Brad C.

Approval of Minutes of previous BoD meeting conducted on October 9, 2023, and any post BoD meeting matters and Electronic Board Voting. Motion by Brad C., 2nd Bob W. None opposed. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Magazine.

Club History Project: Included 2 more years in history and article will be submitted for the TARGET. Will disclose updates on history to BoD this month.

Treasurer:

Gary K.

Financial Activity for month just closed and Treasurer's notes:

- 1) October 2023 Net Income: \$1,640.63.
- 2) Year to Date Net Income: \$18,133.91.
- 3) Paid \$3,510 for water line break repair due to pressure regulator break.

A land fund CD in the amount of \$53,746.74 matured at OCCU and was moved to TTCU for a higher yield of 5.15%. We were also approaching the limit of money that we could have insured at that institution. We moved \$20,207.13 from money market at TTCU to money market at OCCU so we are compliant with By-Laws. On 11-2-23 a \$21,555.87 check was written to GP Traps for shotgun targets. We decided to give everyone that helped in the target delivery a certificate for 2 rounds of shotgun sports. As the target order was over the \$20,000 threshold for BoD expenditures, Larry B. sold 4 pallets of targets to the Scouts for \$3,700.

For the month of 9-18-23 to 10-18-23 we received a \$1,182.45 water bill from Water District #5 due to leak of thousands of gallons of water after the water line break. Jack O. turned the water off upon notification and Gary has been working with the water company over the bill. We pay a \$1 per month water leak protection fee and they are indicating they will adjust the bill to our average of \$180. Despite mailing a letter Gary also had to e-mail them the information and he continues to pursue the matter.

Motion of Acceptance of Report for Audit by Jack K., 2nd Jack O. None opposed.
Motion carried.

Reports by Activity, Programs & Event Chairmen

Jack K.

- 1) Dinner Meeting 11-20-2023, at 7 pm. Serving meatloaf, mashed potatoes and gravy, a vegetable and salad. The program will include Jack's update to members and a presentation by Larry B. concerning "proposed" club-site ideas. Jack O.

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| 2) The State Military Bolt Action Shoot-off was held on 10-14-23 and had 33 shooters with Tri-City taking the traveling trophy, but Oklahoma City had one perfect score. We had one relay and had a good RSVP ahead of the match. Used an event code at the gate for participants. | Jack K. |
| 3) The FFA Sporting Clays/ODWC was held October 18, 2023, with a couple of hundred youth participants. The Wildlife Department set up their own equipment and provided over/under shotguns for the event. | Shawn G. |
| 4) OMLRA Fall Championship held on October 19-22. (discussed earlier) | Lonnie V. |
| 5) Proposed youth "4 Stand Wobble Challenge" event scheduled for 11-4-23 has to be rescheduled due to a scheduling conflict. | Larry B. |

The 2024 Club Calendar is up. Jack O. will make stickers for you if you need them. Jack O. also recommends that the BoD hear brief presentations by activity chairmen so the BoD will have a better idea of what is going on.

Committee Reports:

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| Membership: | Jack K. |
| 1) Had 2 transfers this month. No Club owned sales this month. | |
| 2) Waiting on paperwork from 4 on the Top 10 list. | |
| 3) Orientation this month on 11-18-23 for the 2 transfers. | |
| 4) Dues progress: we have 66 members that owe dues and late fees. | |
| Saturday was the cutoff for membership cards going out in first mailing. | |
| The schedule is on the front page of the TARGET and on website. Fines go to the land fund. | |

Website: Started website migration. Let Jack K. know if you cannot get into the website. Jack may roll back the migration during the election process.	Jack K.
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TARGET:	Jack K.
Article deadline for December 2023 edition is Monday, 11-20-2023.	

Nominating Committee:	Don A.
BoD ballot announced in November TARGET with pictures and resumes.	
Ballot to be open 11-14-23 through 12-11-23. Four nominees include Jack K., Gary K., Rick P. and Alan Hart. One nominee used the wrong e-mail initially but Larry B. allowed the entry. Voting open 11-14-23 through 12-11-23.	

Security:	Jack O.
Main Gate is working. Range use is less than expected during nice weather. Sometimes you may need to nicely approach sloppy shooters to bring them into compliance. Jack O. had to recently help one shooter place metal targets properly as he was placing them in an unsafe manner.	

Policy/By-Laws:	Jack O.
Jack O. presented BoD with 4 proposals (see attached) including a proposal to raise membership to 900, a proposal to change amendment voting, a proposal to change time frame for electronic BoD elections and a proposal to change expenditures permitted by BoD.	

After discussion of proposal #1, the BoD took a vote to increase Club membership from the current 825 members to 900 members. This is presented as a motion and does not need a second. There were 7 yeas with Jack O. and Jack K. voting no. The motion carries and can be presented to members for consideration and voting.

Proposal #2 concerning the proposal to change amendment voting concerned the time frame for voting electronically. Proposal #2 was sent to committee for language update after BoD discussion. Issue was reference to paper balloting.

Proposal #3 to change time frame for electronic BoD elections raised the same issue of mail-in or electronic voting. Upon discussion the BoD voted 5 to 4 to remove paper balloting from By-Laws and only reference electronic voting. David W., Jack O., Jack K. and Bob W. voted to continue to include the paper ballot language. Upon voting, this proposal was sent to committee for updating.

Proposal #4 addressing a proposal to change expenditures permitted by the BoD was discussed. The same issue arose concerning the balloting language as well as the language concerning "with ordinary budgeted expenditures for items in a single repetitive budget category" which may need to be explained to members. The spending limits were also discussed in depth as the proposed increases are intended to allow for shotgun target purchases and insurance fee increases without having to have a membership vote every year. Don A. motioned the membership vote on each of the increased amounts separately. The BoD is currently limited to expenditures of \$20,000 before a membership vote on the expenditure is required. The proposal raises this limit to \$30,000 before a membership vote is required for Club projects as well as shotgun targeting. Discussion ensued about leaving project cost at \$20,000 and only raise the figure for shotgun targeting. The proposal also allows for an expenditure of \$40,000 for "ordinary budgeted expenditures for items in a single repetitive budget category" which would include insurance. After discussion, the proposal was sent to committee for updating.

Building Committee:

Jack O.

Issues with tenant trailer: Jack O. reports the tenant is making progress with cleaning up the trailer. He and Jack took excess furniture to the dump recently. The tenant is currently having the heating system checked out and indicates he intends to be a long-term tenant of around 10 years. He stays in communication with Jack O.

Facilities:

Bob W.

Bob's Projects Punch List:

- 1) Vacuumed out skeet and trap houses.
- 2) Replaced 25-yard targets.
- 3) Larry B. got skeet house lock on field 7 repaired for \$57 in parts.

Progress for Harris Dirt project:

Jack O.

Project completed.

Progress on aerobic septic system at Trap Palace:	Jack O.
Jack O. received call from cleaning personnel that a toilet in Trap Palace was malfunctioning. He investigated the septic system which seems to be in good working order. It appears the toilet itself is the issue. Discussed plumbing issues with sinks and toilets.	
Progress on pistol bay wall failure:	Jack O.
Jack O. has been tearing down the old walls. Will continue to disassemble and a work party date will be set for Saturday at 9 a.m. A general e-mail will be sent to members.	
Progress on proposed repairs to Trap Palace:	Gary K.
Progress on proposed replacement vs. repair of Skeet Ops:	Gary K.
Some revisions to the plans for these buildings were made, however, the projects are on hold until after the dinner meeting when all proposed projects will be presented to members by Larry B.	
Larry was able to obtain a CAD drawing of a single room new building for the skeet and trap area to replace the 2 old buildings should the membership vote against repairing them. It would be placed in the RV parking lot in the shotgun area.	
"Yes/No" ballot to repair skeet ops and trap palace:	Gary K.
The vote is on hold until after the dinner meeting when all proposed projects will be presented to members by Larry B.	
Progress on shotgun issues:	Gary K.
Targets were received and a work-day was held on 11-4-23 to dispense targets to the houses. The work went quickly and the 10 members that helped received a certificate for 2 rounds of shotgun sports. Board discussed that we have room for another load and that may save the Club money if we order before beginning of year price increases. New bio target is not available yet so we would stick with orange dome and orange top targets. We are not having to raise shotgun fees yet and buying another load now may stave off any increases next year. Will put out to BoD for an electronic vote after getting a quote.	
Unfinished Business:	Chair
Increase membership capacity to 900 members:	Larry B.
BoD voted to proceed so issue may be presented to membership for consideration and vote.	
New Business:	Chair
Bob W. needs dollar amount in Christmas basket fund to purchase gift cards this year.	
Open Board Discussion: None.	Chair
Motion to Adjourn: Motion by Bob W., 2 nd Brad C., None opposed. Motion carried.	
Next Meeting: Regular Board Meeting set for December 11, 2023, at 7:00 p.m., at the Main Clubhouse.	

Notes by Brad C.

Post BoD Meeting Matters and Electronic Board Voting:

Chair

On November 14, 2023, Larry B. put forth a motion to purchase another truck load of shotgun targets for the same price as our last delivery. 2nd Rick P. None opposed. One abstained. Motion carried.

On November 20, 2023, Larry B. and others made an in-depth presentation to members at the Dinner Meeting concerning all proposals made to the BoD for Club projects including pistol bay repair, pistol bay expansion, shotgun building rehabilitation or replacement, concrete tops for 50-yard shooting benches etc.