

Willow River Rod & Gun Club
Membership Meeting Minutes
Thursday: January 9, 2025

I. **Meeting called to order; Time:** 7:03 PM **By:** Larry Suennen

II. **Attendees: Board Members:** All board members were present

Absent Board Member(s): _____

Guests: Annual Meeting – about 42 members were present

III. **Secretaries Report: Approved** X **Not Approved** _____

IV. **Treasurer's Report: Approved** X **Not approved** _____

V. **Committee Reports:**

a) Archery:

Tuesdays will be designated as Brush League night. Brush league and also be shot at open time on your own with your access. Please see the website for more information.

Youth Archery: Will start January 17th and every Friday after until March 28 from 6-9 PM. Sign ups are being taken. Any help is appreciated.

b) ARA (Am. Rimfire Assoc.)

Joe Alexander explained the new rules pertaining to the use of pistol cartridge carbines. The new rules are posted.

c) Audit Committee:

No Discussion

d) Education: The Hunter Ed instructors will be setting up a date for their online class to use the property. The white board in the entry way can be used for communications for members and events.

e) Land Development:

Forestry Project is ongoing

f) Long Range Planning:

Call out for assistance in ideas for the layout cost and construction of the new Pistol Range

g) Membership: 2024 end membership was 706. 2025 today is 403

h) Nominating Committee:

i) Public Relations:

A lot of traffic to the Facebook page. More posts, more interactions.

j) Pistol/Small Bore Range:

New Rules are posted

- k) Rifle Range:
Is getting heavy use and may need bunker rebuild in the Spring. Recapped successful Public Sight In.
- l) Trap/High School Trap:
High School Trap will be starting in early March. Devine Intervention was the Thursday trap league winner. We had 11 teams competing and hope to have more next season. Trap League will start early May. The upper trap house needs to be rebuilt.

VI. Old Business:

Jerry gave an explanation of where we are at for accepting credit/debit cards for payment. Expecting to be operational by Summer. The club now has internet access.

Joe explained the club apparel purchase program

VII. New Business:

Election of officers. Terms for Larry and Joe were up and they agreed to run again. Ron Roettger called for nominations from the floor. With no nominations from the floor a motion for a unanimous ballot was made, seconded and passed for Joe and Larry. A short break was taken while the new board decided the positions.

President - Joe Alexander
Vice President – Larry Suennen
Secretary – Heather Munson
Treasurer – Jerry Van Houten
Membership – Wayne Roller
Non-Shooting Events – Ray Langness
Long Range Planning – Al Neumann

Joe presided over the rest of the meeting

Door Prizes were drawn periodically throughout the meeting.

The Early Bird drawing was won by Paul Zuli

Open Forum:

Mark Schlicht is looking for people interested in becoming a WIDNR hunter education instructor. His contact number is: 989-305-1750

Tom Eller said the outdoor archery targets should be replaced this year. There are 15 targets. They have been used for about 4 years. The cost will be about \$110 per target.

VIII. Adjournment: Time 8:09 PM

Respectfully submitted: Larry Suennen and additions by Heather Munson