

Notes from our May 2021 Spring Meeting

At the Holiday Inn, in Sheridan Wyoming, the Meeting began at about 1:03 pm, and continued to about 4:50pm. President Kenny Lankford chaired the meeting and the other board officers present were Vice President Paul Garbin, Secretary-Treasurer Nick Nickelson, Competitions Director Phil Morgan, and Legislative Director Cynthia Garbin. WSSA Club members present were Mark & Beverly Spungin, Chris & Susan Smith, George Rogers, and Jimmy Dunlap. Please note that Dudley Irvine Junior Small Bore Director was absent, and also that the Hunting/Conservation, & Junior High Power positions are open.

Kenny opened the meeting by thanking everyone for coming. He noted that since our last meeting the elections are no longer in doubt and our second amendment rights and freedoms are very much threatened by the changes of leadership in the senate and also the new incoming administration. He noted that most of the news media never misses an opportunity to portray us in the most negative way possible. Kenny stated that the country's culture is changing, and that many of its citizens are moving and migrating to different states. Kenny went on to say that many of our local and state leaders & representatives, are pro second amendment, and have worked with us to support the shooting sports. Kenny reminded us that we need to be proactive and to vote for our freedoms every opportunity we get.

Review of the Annual Financial 2020 Report and also the 2021 Treasures Report. Nick went over these reports and everyone took some time and reviewed both of the reports. We lost a little money in 2020. This was because we spent money to fix up our AR-15 Rifles, purchase several hundred rounds of ammo, and also we donated some money to the Worland Shooting Complex. The 2020 Financial report has all the details.

<u>Discussion:</u> According to S&A Bookkeeping, we need to bring our banking practices more in line with standard government methods. {Please note that standard government methods do not include online banking, debit card transactions, and also, please note, {now days you can purchase items with your cell phone}. Nick (our treasurer) will take the necessary additional steps to update our procedures and will begin to file our financial records electronically using programs such as Microsoft Excel & Adobe PDF. We may change banks to help with this. Also the local branch we are

"now" using in Worland, is going from people (Bank Tellers) to an ATM robot to handle all cash/check transactions. This may make it harder for small business to operate. We will be monitoring these issues and discussing them at our fall meeting

<u>Discussion:</u> Our Vice President Paul Garbin went over the inventory of the clubs assets & property. Kenny provided him & Nick with a list of items that the club owns, important to have for a shooting organization. We have pictures of the clubs trophies and a list of all the firearms make model and serial numbers. See the Inventory list for all the details.

You may recall that the Wyoming Legislature passed a bill last year that requires high schools to offer some very limited firearms training. Kenny has the letters from WSSA to the 45 Wyoming school districts almost ready. Once they receive these letters, hopefully we can begin to reverse the negative stigma of firearms training in schools.

The Chinese Virus prevented us from working with the 4-h youth in Douglas last year. We hope to be able to work with the 4-h folks this year during their state championships. Hopefully we will be able to conduct a few clinics this year as well. It would seem that there are more than Eight Million new guns owners now.

<u>Vice President Paul Garbin</u> ask the WSSA if they would be interested in helping with a (YHEC) youth hunter regional in Wyoming next year. Everyone was enthused and interested in the idea. This could be a way to reach out to the youth across the country. We will be discussing this during our fall meeting.

<u>Competitions Director Phil Morgan</u> noted that most of the State Championship matches have been scheduled for this year. Please check the web site matches schedule pages for all the current details.

<u>Legislative Director Cynthia Garbin</u> explained that Wyoming has a new law requiring people show I D when they vote now. She noted that some of Wyoming Counties are now second amendment sanctuaries. Cynthia will be monitoring our representatives, legislators, and political candidates. Please look for more information on our facebook and web site pages as we move closer to the next elections cycle.

As of the writing of these minutes, the following personnel have agreed to have their names place on the 2022–2024 election ballots for the positions as indicated below, and the election ballots should be snail mailed to the members not later than the 14^{th} of June 2021.

Vice President Paul Garbin
Sectretary/Treasure Nick Nickelson

Junior Small Bore Director Possible Maybe Dudley Irvine??
Hunter Conservation Possible Maybe Roger Sebesta??

The Worland Shooting Complex has completed their range improvement projects for this year. Since it was only half funded, it was only half completed. However the improvements that were completed have improved the range safety measures more than financial expenditures by tenfold. Work on their range improvement projects will continue next year. Hopefully guns and ammo will become more available in the coming months so that Friends of the NRA can hold fund raising events to obtain the money to complete range improvement projects. See the Worland Range Improvement Report for all the details.

<u>Steve Chapel</u> from Thermopolis is the M-1 Garand Rifle winner.

The CMP will be contacted and given the necessary information so that Steve can receive his rifle.