



Royal New Brunswick Rifle
Association Inc.

**Minutes of RNBRA Board Meeting
Sussex, NB
December 5th, 2015**

Attendees: Conrad Leroux, Gordon Holloway, Michael Lutes, Don Coleman, Dollard LeBlanc, Steven Stewart, Jody Waring, Shelley Gregan, Debbie Craig and Lorraine Chapman

1. Call to order @ 10:00 am.
2. The Rule of Order (Article 10-02 of RNBRA Bylaws) was read by President, Conrad Leroux,.
3. Conrad extended greetings to those present and asked each one to state his/her name and position on the Board.
4. Acceptance of the Agenda was moved by Mike Lutes and seconded by Dollard LeBlanc. The motion was carried.
5. Minutes of the March 7th, 2015 meeting were read. Dollard moved acceptance of the minutes, seconded by Jody Waring. The motion was carried.

Business Arising from the Minutes:

6. a) Steven Stewart spoke of Air Gun issues including the \$1800 (in previous minutes). Conrad will write and ask for a report of money received for Canada Games. Gordon Holloway stated this has been a terrible distraction and he suggested that we not discuss the issues with Air Gun till they give the RNBRA Board the accounting required to which the Board members agreed.

b)The Fullbore Section has decided how they want the Fullbore Trusts/Funds invested and will contact Treasurer, Shelley Gregan, with the details. `

Treasurer's Report:

7. Treasurer, Shelley Gregan, reported a bank balance of \$57,288.25 including \$9,214.86 which represents the Fullbore Trusts/Funds which will be invested shortly.

New Business:

8. Because of changes to the RNBRA Board, the signing officers for RNBRA will be Conrad Leroux, Gordon Holloway and Shelley Gregan.

9. a) Jason Arsenault has e-mailed Mike Lutes a copy of funding from the province for RNBRA to help with the 2016 request.

b) The problem of trophy storage at the Museum on Base Gagetown has been resolved for now.

c) RNBRA was formed in December of 1866 before Confederation in 1867. A committee of Mike Lutes as Chairman along with Austin McPhee and Lorraine Chapman was formed to identify suitable activities to celebrate this important 150th anniversary of the Association.

10. Bert deVink has a room at his home that he has made available for RNBRA storage. The Secretary was tasked with composing a letter thanking Bert for his generous offer. The RNBRA Board has accepted the offer. Lorraine said she would like to go through the remaining material in the storage unit before it is moved to Bert's home.

11. The Dominion of Canada Rifle Association has made a change in their membership fee structure. Those desiring membership from DCRA can now send it in to DCRA without going through the provincial organization. It was also noted that DCRA has a new Secretary-Treasurer.

12. Here are some critical dates and deadlines that were noted and need to be kept in mind.

- March 31st-DCRA Affiliation due
- March 31st Shooting Federation of Canada affiliation due
- April 1st- pay insurance to NFA
- April 15th-the Profile or funding request must be submitted
- June 1st- put out call for nominations for Board positions-2017
- August 31st- Have audit of books from 2015 AGM to then completed and results sent out to Board to review before the AGM

13. Dollard LeBlanc made a motion seconded by Don Coleman that an amendment be made to the RNBRA Bylaws allowing affiliated clubs one vote at the Annual General Meeting. Each person can only vote once on each question. The vote of the Board was unanimous in favour of the motion. This is to be ratified at the Annual General Meeting.

14. Conrad had a draft prepared of a membership/affiliation mailout. It received Board approval. Mike Lutes made a motion to approach the Lieutenant-Governor to be Honorary Patron of the RNBRA and Colonel McIsaac to be Honorary President of the Association. The motion was seconded by Gordon Holloway and was carried. The goal is to reestablish the friendship that once existed with both these offices.

15. Conrad spoke of the mission of RNBRA and what the organization does. A concept paper by an interested member has been submitted to the Board and merits attention and study to help

generate more interest in RNBRA and to increase membership. A copy of the concept paper will be attached to the Secretary's minutes.

16. Steven Stewart spoke of Range Officer courses he delivers as a representative of RNBRA. He stated that the IPSC RO course is a different one. Steven and Lorraine are maintaining a file of RO courses as they are delivered and of any information found of courses delivered in the past. This is so RO cards can be renewed every 5 years.

17. Cadet units are seen as associated or affiliated clubs with RNBRA. It was noted that those working with youth require a criminal record check. Dollard LeBlanc moved a motion seconded by Mike Lutes that persons requiring a criminal record check be reimbursed by RNBRA. The motion was carried.

18. Conrad has talked to many persons to identify committee and trustee appointments. He has prepared a list of these positions which will be attached to the Secretary's copy of these minutes.

19. Because the room could only be rented till 3:00pm, the meeting was adjourned. There were a few items remaining to be discussed. These will be dealt with at a meeting to be scheduled for early January of 2016.

Respectfully submitted,
Lorraine Chapman