**Mat Valley Sportsman’s**

**Mi 38.5 South Glen Hwy**

**Palmer, AK 99645**

**General Membership Meeting**

**February 9th, 2023**

**Valley Church of Christ, Wasilla, Alaska**

**Determination of Quorum:**

**Attendance 61 Voting Members (some late arrivals)**

**Call to Order 701 pm**

**President’s Comments:** *2022 has been a good year for MVS. All lanes have been updated. Road Construction is scheduled for 2023 and will result in tighter parking at MVS. Many staff have worked more hours than regular. We had a tough time with snow this winter and it has affected shooting.*

**Bruce Axtell** *presented a check for $500 toward MVS Endowment Fund and called out others to do the same to support MVS Endowment.*

**Senior Member John Leary** *was presented with Honorary Lifetime Membership. John has been a member, RSO, Manager and Board Member for many years at MVS and contributed on many projects and maintenance issues.*

**Earl Lackey** *was presented with Honorary Lifetime Membership. Earl has been a Board Member for many years at MVS.*

**Larry White Treasurers Report:** *$138,000 plus for 2022. Range Heater was not replaced. RSO John Smithers gave the unit a thorough inspection and stated it simply needed maintenance and recommended some spare parts.*

**Training Report: Mike Nickles** *Training has generated $3000 + in January. Women’s Only Course is working well. Has been booked 3 times. Total income from training after expenses was $12,922 for 2022.0*

**RSO Manager:** *Rocky Jones reports we have 40 RSO’s counting 7 RSO’s in training. A minor injury occurred in 2022 with wrong ammunition fired in a handgun.*

**Sponsorship Committee:** *Dave Young reports $33,000+ Gaming Permit has been renewed. $47,476 to be spent in 2023. Some money has been spent on updated security, training materials, H&H for HVAC system for increasing the air flow on HC Range, 8 new guns for Ladies Night and Training, spotting scopes and stands for open hours and precision use indoors. Also reports that Youth Members of Dakota League will have their fees waived for 2023. Also planning on a lighting project for MVS Range. Front door, along with increased upgrades for security was replaced with ADA Compliant Door, at cost of $11,000 and very convenient for all patrons. $16,000 was spent on paving parking lot last year. Further considerations coming for parking lot lights.*

**Nomination for Board Members***: Scott Crockett will accept Nominations for Board Members. Nominations were made for Steve Myers, Rocky Jones, James Bruce, Diana Lopez and Kelly Mears. Each nominee will speak for 3 minutes. Scott and Melinda Crockett will assemble the ballots.*

**Larry White** *discussed the problems, under Bizzflo Management System, with Family Memberships not being used within the parameters and suggests it be eliminated. MVS has seen rising costs in Insurance (Approx $20,000 for Membership, Facility and BOD) Rex Walling moved to eliminate Family Membership. Rocky 2nd. Motion carries. Rex made motion to raise all memberships by $5. Rocky 2nd. Some discussion. Bruce called for the question. Motion passed 34-23. All memberships will be increased by $5.*

***Election Results- 60 Ballots***

**Steve Myers 39**

**Kelly Mears 24**

**Diana Lopez 20 (Alternate for 1 year )**

**Rocky 19**

**James 18**

**In accordance with Roberts Rules, any member can be recognized and make a motion.**

**Dave Young** *was recognized and made motion to the membership* **“to retain the Anschutz Target Rifles and loan them to Borealis/Dakota League participants at no charge”.** *Mark Schmidt 2nd.*

***(In April 2021, the BOD voted to sell the rifles and not allow the Dakota League or Borealis Club’s Junior participants to use them. There has been no progress since, despite the Board Directive.)***

***Input supporting the motion came from Dave Young, Kelly Mears, Dave Roberts, Mark Schmidt, Dave Hingst and Todd Yoon, who states that Anchorage alone has 450 air rifle shooters that can tap into the NRA Small Bore/Dakota League, but with no rimfire competition rifles, the club can’t equip them. Alexandra Brown was lone dissenter to speak and did not feel youth should be given anything without earning it. Scott Crockett stated he, at the request of the Board, had taken pictures of the rifles and was ready to post them online but had yet to do so.***

**Motion passed 45-16.**

**No other business.**

**Good of the Order 840 PM**