EWRCG Board Meeting

Wednesday September 24th, 2025

Updates/Revisions to the wording are in red. 9/26/25 4:04 pm

Attendees

Kayci Zorman-Muhvich (secretary/treasurer), Dave Gruba (President), Mike & Sue Meskill, Brian & Nancy Johnson, Joanne Rhoades, Mick Shusta, Mark Zupec, Dede Ernest, Louis Meskill, Anna Kreuger, Jenn Cole, Michael Tracano, Brianna Anderson, Neil Weisinger, Dusty Moravitz (VP #1), Kurt Mattila (VP #2), Sheila Weisinger, Josh Day, Bobbi & Robbie Betcher, Anna Hallman (bar manager).

Agenda

Call meeting to order 5:58pm.

No comments from President Dave Gruba

Approval of Memberships:

1. Anna Krueger, Louis Meskill, Mick Shusta, & Sue Meskill.

Additions/Deletions to the agenda:

2. Discussion of Mike Banovetz dismissal during the July 30th meeting. The discussion was tabled until the end of the meeting due to wanting to get through the other things on the agenda first.

Approval of the previous meeting minutes:

3. Jenn motioned to approve, Dede seconded. All in favor- motion carried.

Requests to appear:

- 4. Neil Weisinger has concerns about the harassment shown in text messages towards his wife, Sheila Weisinger.
- There was discussion at this time about the Attorney General Office letter we received which was discussed in depth more at the end of the meeting, the informal informational meeting that was held on September 17th, 2025, the pull tab situation at SRL, and the court order between Sheila and Mike B.

Gambling Report:

5. Checking account: \$2,514.89

6. Saving Account: \$392.06

7. Payroll: \$5,119.86

8. Inventory: \$3,384.19

9. Office Supplies: \$0

10. Milage: \$0

11. Utilities: \$94.58

12. Misc.: \$0

13. Donations made since the last meeting:

a. Babbitt Golf Scramble \$200.00

14. Refund from Pilot Games: \$215.74

15. Lawful Expenditures: Held off until next meeting.

a. Ely Hoop Club

b. Friends of the Library

c. Contented Critters

16. Paper Pull Tabs: \$6,758.00

17. E Tabs: \$12,975.25

18. E Bingo: \$243.53

19. The gambling report was approved- all in favor-motion carried.

20. Discussion of gambling payroll.

21. Discussion of the 990 form for the 5013c.

Bar Report:

- 22. August 2024: \$39,420.26
- 23. August 2025: \$39,461.00 up \$40.74
- 24. September 2024: \$45,780.81
- 25. September 1st- 23rd 2025: \$49,524.91 currently up \$3,744.10
- 26. Winter Hours: Will officially change after Deer Hunting season is over. Bartenders can use their discretion to close if the bar is dead late in the night.
- 27. Halloween Party: Anna H has some ideas.
 - a. Looking to work around the other bars since Halloween is on a Friday this year. Start early, possibly 3-7pm.
- 28. There is a pool tournament scheduled at the bar on September 27th starting at 9:00am.
- 29. New Hire: Bria and she is doing a fantastic job.

Event Report:

- 30. 2 more weddings are left this season. One is this upcoming weekend and the other is in 2 weeks.
- 31. Holding Raini St. Martin's celebration of life in the back room. It will be a closed party and the EWRGC is donating the back room. All in favor, motion passed.

Treasurer report:

- 32. The report was available for the members to look at. The Highland Account was passed around the room.
- 33. Net income from Jan-Aug. Is \$8,737.77 which according to Kurt has been consistent with previous reports.

Financial Report:

- 34. Rod & Gun Club account: \$16,778.16
- 35. Samz account: \$18,162.21
- 36. All in favor of the financials- motion passed.
- 37. Kurt made a motion to pay the rest of the property taxes for the amount of \$2,797.00 if gambling is not able to pay. If gambling has the funds they will pay, otherwise the club will cover it. All in favor- motion carried.

Old/New Business:

- 38. Tom Nemanich is still getting paid \$350.00 every 2 weeks.
 - a. When we get the square loan of roughly \$26,000, the idea is to use that money to pay off Tom. We are currently in the process with Tina and square to get this loan information sorted out.
- 39. The website is still working.
- 40. Attorney General Letter/ Misc. Information:
 - a. Corporate taxes and the Attorney General information was shown.
 - i. The tax number was incorrect, and we were told to hold off until that is figured out.
 - ii. 990 T is federal and included in our tax return, the 990 is separate and through the state.
 - iii. A letter was read out loud by Kurt from the AGO from January 17, 2022.
 - iv. The Conflict of Interest Policy from January 8th, 2015 was shown. Any bids have to go through the Board and be approved.
 - b. Tina wants to get together next week and figure out what needs to be presented.
 - c. Gambling needs to provide the financials.

- i. Sheila called and emailed about the extension and to talk about a few other things.
- d. Discussion on getting an attorney.
 - i. Everything was furnished from the prior notice back in 2022.
- e. The Banovetz court order turned into a club issue and brought Dave into it as he is President.
- f. Sheila left the meeting due to her repeating herself over and over at 7:42 pm.
- g. Court order states we still need to provide the minutes and LG1004 form to Mike B.
- h. Discussion on whether to get an attorney or not.
 - i. Option to get an attorney or own up to our mistakes.
 - ii. Bryan Lynsay has been the club attorney in the past and is currently Sheila's attorney which is a conflict of interest.
 - iii. Mike M made a motion to get an attorney. Jenn seconded. All in favor-Motion passed.
- i. It is a conflict of interest with Sheila's attorney Bryan Linsay and the Attorney General.
- j. Discussion on putting a hold on gambling.
 - i. First motion made: Mike M made a motion to put Sheila on administrative leave without pay until this issue with the AGO is resolved. Josh D seconded. All in favor- Michael Trucano, Jenn Cole, Anna Krueger, Louie Meskill, Mike & Sue Meskill, Nancy & Brian Johnson, Josh Day, & Mick Shusta. The Executive Board did not vote (Dave, Dusty, Kurt, Kayci) Mark Zupec, Neil Weisinger, Dede Ernest, Robby & Bobbi Betcher voted no. This motion was not approved. After the discussion, the motion underlined in red was approved.
 - ii. Before this motion was approved there was more discussion about putting Sheila on administrative leave with no pay:
 - 1. Losing gambling will not affect our 5013c.
 - 2. The GCB will not give us a recommendation on how to handle this situation, and we are having a hard time getting ahold of them.
 - 3. The best interest in Jenn's opinion based on research is to get rid of gambling for the time being.
 - 4. Everything we need for the Attorney General should be at the bar at all times.
 - 5. Potentially having the Igloo club come in.
 - 6. Dave did have his contractors license as well as insurance when the additions/remodel was done.
 - 7. We still would have gambling if Brianna would be willing to step up for the time being.

- 8. The current boxes in play would have to be closed out.
- 9. Shutting down gambling is nothing personal against Sheila.
- 10. A new motion was made after having the discussion:
 - a. Jenn made a motion to seize and assist gambling until the end of the GCB & AGO report. Sheila is not on administrative leave without pay. All in favor- Michael Trucano, Jenn Cole, Louie Meskill, Mike Meskill, Nancy & Brian Johnson, Josh Day, & Mick Shusta, Dede Ernest, Robby & Bobbi Betcher. The Executive Board did not vote (Dave, Dusty, Kurt, Kayci) Anna Krueger and Sue Meskill also did not vote. motion passed.
 - b. Gambling will remain open until the current boxes get closed.
- 41. Text Messages from the "Board of Directors" group text were shared.
- 42. We currently do not have Board Insurance. We will be looking into Errors and Omissions coverage for Board Members. Jenn made the motion, Josh D seconded. All in favor- Motion passed.
- 43. Dede rescinded her previous motion from the July 30th meeting about Mike Banovetz's dismissal. He will receive his letter in a couple days. All in favor- Motion passed.
- 44. Dede got the club a membership book to have on hand at all times. We will begin using this January 1st of 2026.
 - a. Motion was made for memberships to be good for the calendar year beginning January 1st and ending December 31st.- All in favor.
 - b. A list of membership benefits/perks ideas will be provided by the next meeting from the current members.
- 45. **NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD OCTOBER 29th at 6pm.**
- 46. Meeting Adjourned 8:55pm

Submitted respectfully by Kayci Zorman-Muhvich Club Secretary/ Treasurer by email on September 24th, 2025 at 10:41pm