

NATIONAL BENCH REST SHOOTERS ASSOCIATION, INC.
ANNUAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
July 22, 2006

The annual meeting of the NBRSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS was called to order by President Dennis Thornbury at 12:00 PM MDT on Saturday, July 22, 2006, in the Ponderosa Meeting Room of the Holiday Inn Express, located in Raton, New Mexico. In attendance were:

Dennis Thornbury, President
Pat Ferrell, Business Manager
Bob Dodd, Vice President
Hobie Bond, Eastern Regional Director
Scott Hunter, Gulf Coast Regional Director
Butch Fjoser, Mid-Continent Regional Director
Bud Mundy, Mississippi Valley Regional Director
Ron Miller, North Central Regional Director
Denny Andrews, Northwestern Regional Director
Wilbur Harris, Southeastern Regional Director
Don Nielson, Southwestern Regional Director
Gary Sinclair, Incoming SW Regional Director
Jim Erickson, NBRSA Financial Officer
Don Powell, US World Benchrest Team Chairman

Dennis Thornbury called the meeting to order at noon and introduced the incoming Southwestern Regional Director, Gary Sinclair, to the Board Members.

Thornbury recognized Don Powell, the NBRSA International Representative, and asked him to give the Board an annual update. Powell stated that the next World Championship Competitions are to be held in Weimer, Germany on August 28 - September 3, 2007. He mentioned that the 2009 World Championship Competitions are scheduled to be in South Africa. Powell reminded the Board that he had been “grooming” Mike Ratigan to assume the role of the NBRSA International Representative whenever Powell finally decides to step down. Powell assured the Board that he feels Ratigan is completely capable of filling this position. He said he has really enjoyed serving NBRSA in this capacity and does not know how much longer he will remain in this office. Powell then thanked everyone for supporting the US World Team.

Jim Erickson, Financial Officer, gave a report on NBRSA’s financial standing. He explained that complete audits now cost more than \$20,000. Therefore, NBRSA had a “mini audit” (agreed-upon procedures) done for \$1,500. Havern, Behrens & Heim, CPA’s did the “mini audit” and our financial books are in order. Erickson recommended that NBRSA have an audit done every 3 years. He stated that NBRSA has 3 sources of revenue – memberships, match fees, & targets. As an organization, we are looking good in our financial standing. Jim analyzed some of the accounts for the previous five years. He suggested target costs should go up 5% so NBRSA will not be losing money on targets. Erickson noted that membership dues have been dropping; club dues have remained pretty constant; match fees have also been dropping due to lower attendance; and the magazine costs are also remaining fairly constant. He also stated that the Membership dues had not been increased in quite some time. It was brought up in discussion that the last dues increase was back in 1996 when they were raised from \$35 to \$40. Erickson recommended that an increase in dues would be appropriate. He then requested that the financial statement he had prepared for the Board also be included with the Board Meeting Minutes. He suggested they be added to the end of the minutes (both pages of his financial statement).

Thornbury thanked Erickson for all of the time and effort he has put into setting up this year's "mini audit" and in preparing the financial reports he had presented to the Board.

Hobie Bond moved that blocking to the front rest be allowed as stated in his first agenda item. Nielson seconded and the motion was unanimous. The agenda item read as: *A rectangular block constructed of any known materials, such as: wood, plastic, rubber or metal, not to exceed (suggested dimensions) 14" x 3" x 2". The block must be parallel to the leading or front edge of the Rail-Gun Base and may be attached to the bench top only through the use of removable clamp(s). No portion of the block may extend under or around or to the side of the rail-gun base in any manner. No blocking, clamping or restraining may be used on either side or rear of the rail-gun base. The rail-gun base may not extend over the bench top at any point.*

(This will be added as the last paragraph to the "Official Rule Book and By-Laws, Revised Edition No. 36" on page 4, under B. Definitions, 14. Rests, (b) Unlimited Rests.)

Bond moved that *the Host Range of a National Championship will provide practice targets placed in the frames at the same height and spacing and in line with the proper bench so as to allow competitors to practice under National Match conditions. They should be prepared to change those targets at least 3 or more times, if needed, on a daily basis, beginning no later than the Friday prior to the start of competition. Bench assignments for those who have already registered and paid should be made available at least 3 days prior to competition so flags can be set.* Nielson seconded the motion. The motion passed with only Denny Andrews Opposing. (This will be added to the "Official Rule Book and By-Laws, Revised Edition No. 36", on page 8, under D. Tournament Rules, 10. Courses of Fire. It will also be added as a second paragraph under (a) The National Unlimited, Heavy Varmint, Light Varmint, and Sporter Rifle Competitions, and on page 28, under I. The Host Club, it will be added as the third paragraph under 2. Preliminary.)

Scott Hunter moved that *Muzzle Attachment Tuners may be adjusted at the bench, provided the competitor removes the bolt and remains seated.* Miller seconded and the motion carried with only Denny Andrews opposing. (This will be added to the "Official Rule Book and By-Laws, Revised Edition No. 36", on page 15, under E. Safety, 11. Muzzle Attachments Used as Tuners.)

Hunter moved to reword the last sentence of the definition for the Unlimited Rests to read as: "An unlimited rest may be mechanically clamped to the bench top." Andrews seconded. Harris, Andrews, and Hunter voted in favor of the motion. Bond, Fjoser, Mundy, Miller, and Nielson voted against. The motion failed.

Hunter withdrew his agenda item #3 since the use of a Rail-Gun Block had already been approved by the Board under Bond's #1 agenda item.

Butch Fjoser moved that *the National late fee will be increased from \$10 to \$40 beginning with the 2007 Nationals.* Hunter seconded the motion, and it was unanimous. (This will be added to the "Official Rule Book and By-Laws, Revised Edition No. 36", on page 17, under F. Tournament Procedure, 4. Pre-Registration.)

Fjoser suggested an increase in Membership Dues in light of anticipating cost and decreasing revenue based on the financial report. Andrews moved to increase Membership Dues from \$40 to \$50 per year. Fjoser seconded. The motion passed with only Harris voting against. The dues increase will begin on January 1, 2007.

Bud Mundy withdrew his Agenda Item #3 dealing with adjusting the tuner at the bench, because it had already been addressed.

Mundy said that he felt he needed to further explain his report listing the "Minimum Requirements" for clubs wishing to hold Varmint Nationals. He stated that the list was only "suggested requirements" and was intended

to be used by the Regional Directors in deciding which bids should be accepted for hosting the Varmint Nationals.

Mundy's Agenda #4 regarding Flag Setting (flag zone) at Nationals was discussed by the Board. No action was taken.

Denny Andrews suggested that the proficiency of the Scoring Committee needed to be discussed so that no one could say a record was intentionally scored wrong. Harris moved that if a member of the Scoring Committee holds the current record, he should step aside and the Records Committee Chairman should appoint someone else to score the "possible new world record" target. The motion passed, with only Fjoser opposing. (This will be added to the "Official Rule Book and By-Laws, Revised Edition No. 36", on page 12, under D. Tournament Rules, 14. Procedure for Official Recognition of a World Record, (e). It will be added at the end of the current paragraph already printed there. It will read as follows: *(e)Each of the 4 Scoring Committee Members should be from a different Region. If a Member of the Scoring Committee hold the current record, he should step aside and the Records Committee Chairman should appoint someone else to score the "possible new world record" target so that no one could say that a "possible world record" was intentionally scored wrong.*

Andrews asked for discussion on the Hunter Nationals Range Qualifications. This could not be done, however, because no one from the Hunter Standing Committee was in attendance at this year's Board Meeting and this committee is in charge of suggesting or approving anything dealing with the Hunter Class.

Andrews requested that the Board consider the possibility of having "NBRSA-sponsored" National Championships. NBRSA would bid the Nationals for the purpose of raising revenue for NBRSA. If approved by the Board, NBRSA would then host that particular Nationals. The Board discussed the idea and Fjoser stated that any excess money made at the 2006 Varmint Nationals at Raton, New Mexico (after expenses) will be donated to the NRA Whittington Center. This is in addition to a \$10 per shooter per day fee that is charged by the NRA Whittington Center. The Whittington Center will pay for the targets and also a portion of the expense of the target crew.

Andrews volunteered to look for money-making ideas for NBRSA to implement, in addition to searching for ways to promote NBRSA Membership.

At 1:55 PM MDT, the meeting was recessed until 3:00 PM for a lunch break.

The meeting reconvened at 3:00 PM.

Wilbur Harris moved to remove all restrictions from the Unlimited Class that are not related to safety. Andrews seconded the motion. Only Harris, Andrews, and Miller voted in favor of this motion; the motion failed.

Harris moved to allow Unlimited Rests "to be "attached to the bench top". On page 4 of the "Official Rule Book and By-Laws, Revised Edition No. 36", under B. Definitions, 14. Rests, (b) Unlimited Rests, remove the word "NOT" from the sentence that reads; "An Unlimited Rest may NOT be attached to a bench by any means who so ever." Andrews seconded the motion. Andrews, Harris, Miller, and Hunter voted in favor; Bond, Fjoser, Mundy, Nielson voted against. The vote was tied; President Thornbury, broke the tie by voting against. The motion failed.

Harris withdrew his Agenda Item #3 dealing with allowing adjustment of tuners during a match since this had already been voted on.

Harris moved to make equipment and course of fire changes “temporarily effective” the following January 1st. Then continue with the General Membership “ratification vote” the following year. The regions have already given the changes a “first look” and during the “temporarily effective” period of time, the changes will go through a “trial period”. Fjoser seconded and the motion passed unanimously. This will be added to the By-Laws on page 55 of the “Official Rule Book and By-Laws, Revised Edition No. 36”, under Article III – Board of Directors, Section 6. Action by the Board of Directors, (d). It will then read as: *(d) Any rule change governing equipment or course of fire for each shooting discipline (Varmint, Sporter, Unlimited, Hunter, Rimfire, 600-yard, 1,000-yard benchrest shooting) must first be approved by the Board of Directors. The rule change would then be “temporarily effective” beginning on January 1 of the following year. The Regions will have already given the rule change a “first look”. Then during this “temporarily effective” period, the changes will go through a “trial period” before final ratification by the General Membership. The following year, the rule change must be ratified by a majority of the members voting at the National Championship Tournament in the particular discipline affected by the change, and then shall become effective upon ratification.*

Harris moved to replace General Membership voting at the Nationals with a mail-in ballot supplied to the entire NBRSA Membership. Andrews stated that NRA has a rule that members must show up at General Meetings to vote. Motion died for lack of a second.

Harris moved to change the Sporter Class Rifle to a 10 ½ pound rifle fired from sandbag rests and remove all restrictions from the rifle except the weight limit. Hunter seconded the motion. With only Hunter and Harris voting in favor, the motion failed with a vote of 2 to 6.

Harris moved to eliminate the annual match agreement currently required (Registered Shoot Memorandum of Agreement) and to modify the existing match agreement to a document that is durable as long as a club remains affiliated with the NBRSA or a change to the document is necessary. After it was pointed out that this is a legal document that is designed to protect NBRSA against lawsuits, Harris withdrew the motion.

Harris moved to place a moratorium on rule changes for three years following the 2006 NBRSA Annual Board Meeting. Fjoser seconded; motion passed with only Hunter and Miller voting against.

Harris made a motion to move the paragraph at the top of page 23 of the “Official Rule Book and By-Laws, Revised Edition No. 36”, which reads as: *“You must report crossfires to me immediately following the completion of this relay. Your crossfire will be counted toward...”* The paragraph is to be moved to the bottom half of page 22 following the paragraph which reads as: *“Any time lost by any such interruption of shooting shall not be charged against your allotted time.....”* The paragraph will now read as: *“You must report crossfires to me immediately following the completion of the relay in which they occur. Your crossfire will be counted toward your own record number of required shots. Therefore, if you crossfire once, you should shoot only 4 (9 in a “10-shot+ match) times on your Record Target.”* Fjoser seconded the motion and the motion was unanimous.

Don Nielson moved to allow a base plate to be clamped to the bench for all classes. A Base Plate is described as any item clamped to the bench: a front stop, a plate to center rest holes, and/or a plate to align gun. All are allowable but the rest or unlimited base must be able to be picked up independently. This would show that the gun is NOT clamped to the bench. This would also prove that the Unlimited Rest is NOT attached to the bench. Miller seconded the motion. With Harris, Andrews, and Miller voting in favor and Bond, Hunter, Fjoser, Mundy, and Nielson voting against, the motion failed.

Wilbur Harris was asked to give a committee report on building an electronic newsletter computer system (printing match reports by Internet). Harris had been authorized to head this committee at the 2005 NBRSA Board Meeting. Harris stated that NBRSA already owns various domain names. He said that his goal is to have

an automatic website to send in match reports. Each competitor must have a unique identifier name or number and the clubs must use the “bug-hole system” if they want their matches to be included. Results must be able to be imported onto the website. A modular approach is currently being studied and might cost \$50-60,000 for the actual program.

Don Nielson, head of the Rules and Equipment Committee, stated that since this committee has been inactive during the past four years, this committee is now being disbanded. He notified the Board that he is resigning from the committee, and, furthermore, there will be no one currently serving on this committee.

Dennis Thornbury, President, told the Board that he had authorized Lester Bruno (a Records Committee Member) to replace his broken NBRSA-issued BR Measuring Device. NBRSA will reimburse Bruno for this expense.

Thornbury also authorized Lester Bruno to purchase a new base for the NBRSA Traveling Trophy that Bruno had won at last year’s Nationals. The trophy had no more room for names and this new base provides room for many more future winners. NBRSA will reimburse Bruno for this expense.

Thornbury asked the Directors to indicate which of the NBRSA-issued equipment they are lacking.

- (1) Hobie Bond, Eastern Regional Director does not have:
 - (a) BR Measuring Device (Thornbury will issue one)
 - (b) Hunter Scoring Device – Bond said he does NOT need the Hunter Scoring Device
- (2) Scott Hunter, Gulf Coast Regional Director does not have:
 - (a) Hunter Scoring Device (Pat Ferrell will issue one)
- (3) Butch Fjoser, Mid-Continent Regional Director does not have:
 - (a) BR Measuring Device (Thornbury will issue one)
- (4) Bud Mundy, Mississippi Valley Regional Director, has all NBRSA-issued equipment
- (5) Ron Miller, North Central Regional Director, does not have:
 - (a) Hunter Weight - 10 lb. (Nielson will issue one)
 - (b) Hunter Scoring Device (Pat Ferrell will issue one)
 - (c) BR Measuring Device (Thornbury will issue one)
 - (d) Book containing all NBRSA Minutes (Pat Ferrell will issue one)
- (6) Denny Andrews, Northwestern Regional Director, does not have:
 - (a) Hunter Weight - 10 lb. (Nielson will issue one)
 - (b) BR Weight Set - 10.5 lb. & 3 lb. (Nielson will issue a set)
 - (c) Hunter Scoring Device (Pat Ferrell will issue one)
 - (d) BR Measuring Device (Thornbury will issue one)
- (7) Wilbur Harris, Southeastern Regional Director, does not have:
 - (a) BR Weight Set - 10.5 lb. & 3 lb. (Nielson will issue a set)
 - (b) Bob Dodd fore-end stock checker (Pat Ferrell will issue one)
 - (c) Hunter Scoring Device – Harris said he does NOT need the Hunter Scoring Device
- (8) Don Nielson, Southwestern Regional Director, does not have:
 - (a) Hunter Scoring Device (Pat Ferrell will issue one to Gary Sinclair, incoming SW Dir.)

Thornbury told the Board that Jim Erickson had been asked to serve as the financial officer in 2002. At that time, he had been offered mileage, but had declined the compensation. However, after considering all of the time and personal expense he now puts into his job, he has decided to accept NBRSA’s offer to compensate him for his mileage to the annual NBRSA Board Meetings. Miller moved that Erickson should be compensated at the same mileage rate as the Board Members, beginning with the 2006 Board Meeting. Hunter seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Fjoser moved to give a gift of appreciation to Jim Erickson for his service to NBRSA. Harris seconded and the motion was unanimous. Fjoser then volunteered to find a suitable gift.

Miller moved to raise the cost of targets 10% across the board as of January 1, 2007, to insure that NBRSA does not lose money by selling the targets. Hunter seconded and the motion was unanimous.

Thornbury brought up for discussion whether or not the “points” system for the world qualifying matches needed to be changed at this time. This was discussed and then the subject was tabled until next year.

Thornbury reported that Cross Printing has agreed to continue with the current contract with NBRSA on the “NBRSA News” magazine. The current contract states Cross Printing will edit, print and mail the monthly magazine, of not less than 16 pages, with labels provided by NBRSA. These will be provided at \$1.75 per issue for the USA and Foreign at \$3.02 per issue. Additional copies will also be furnished to the officers and directors for their use.

Pat Ferrell explained that Al Elliott, Representative for NBRSA’s Federal Tax Exemption Status and the NBRSA Power of Attorney, had recommended that a statement be made within the Board Meeting Minutes authorizing Pat Ferrell, NBRSA Business Manager, to sign the yearly filed IRS Form #990. Fjoser moved that Pat Ferrell be authorized to sign the IRS Form #990. Bond seconded and the motion was unanimous.

Thornbury read a letter from Gilbert Brown, President of Champion’s Reloading Products, asking for permission to use the NBRSA Logo on the home page of his Website. After a brief discussion, it was decided that this would not be in the best interest of NBRSA; his request was refused.

Thornbury asked for “feedback” on the success or failure of the “one-year trial period” for the 600-Yard Benchrest Factory Class. At the 2005 Board Meeting, the Board had agreed to a “one-year trial period” and after that period of time, it was to be reviewed again in 2006. Nielson said there had been some 600-Yard Benchrest Factory Class matches held since last year, but he recommended that the “trial period” be extended for another year. Nielson then moved to extend the “trial period” one more year; Fjoser seconded; and the motion was unanimous. Interested clubs are encouraged to host matches for the 600-Yard Benchrest Factory Class; however, the matches will not be NBRSA Registered Matches. Therefore, there will be NO Match Fees paid to NBRSA and NO World Records can be set. Then, if participation warrants, it will be discussed again at the 2007 Board Meeting.

Thornbury stated that the procedure to submit and score long-range World Records (600 and 1,000 yards) currently does not coincide with the procedure used in the other classes. The long-range World Record targets are not being sent to a Regional Director. This was discussed and it was mentioned that since records are getting smaller now, the targets need to be scored by a Long-Range Records Committee, similar to the Records Committee being used for Varmint and Hunter World Record targets. Nielson moved that the Long-Range record targets should be first sent to a Regional Director, next to the Long-Range Records Committee. Then, if verified to be an official new World Record, the target is to be sent to Francis Broussard, Records Committee Chairman. Hunter seconded and the motion was unanimous. This will be included on page 37 of the “Official Rule Book and By-Laws, Revised Edition No. 36”, under K. Official Rules for 1,000-Yard Benchrest Competition, 6.Targets & Records, (f). It will then be reworded to read: *(f) As of January 1, 2007, the Match Director and 2 Referees must sign all record targets as legitimate and correct. The Match Director must fill out the approved World Record submission form. Long-range record procedures need to be the same as short-range record procedures. Record targets are to be sent first to the Regional Director, next to the Long-Range Records Committee and then, if verified as a new official World Record, sent to Francis Broussard, the current NBRSA Records Committee Chairman.*

Thornbury asked for bids for the 2007 Long-Range Varmint Nationals. Nielson bid the Palomino Valley Gun Club, near Reno, Nevada. The bid was unanimously accepted. The 2007 Long-Range Varmint Nationals (200 – 300 yards) will be hosted by the Palomino Valley Gun Club, located near Reno, Nevada on June 9 – 10, 2007.

On September 12, 2006, a bid from the Palomino Valley Gun Club was accepted by the Board (voting by email) for the club to also host the 2006 NBRSA Long-Range Varmint Nationals, as well as the 2007 Long-Range Varmint Nationals. The 2006 Long-Range Varmint Nationals (200 – 300 yards) will be hosted by the Palomino Valley Gun Club, located near Reno, Nevada on November 11 – 12, 2006.

Thornbury asked for bids for the 2008 Long-Range Varmint Nationals. There were no bids.

Thornbury asked for bids for the 2008 Varmint, Sporter, Unlimited Nationals. (The 2007 Varmint, Sporter, Unlimited Nationals will be hosted by the Kelbly Rifle Club, near North Lawrence, Ohio, on September 17 - 23, 2007.) Bond bid Fairchance Gun Club, located near Smithfield, Pennsylvania for September 15, 2008. Nielson bid Arizona Bench Rest Shooters, near Phoenix, Arizona, for sometime in October of 2008. Thornbury called for a show of hands. Two voted in favor of Fairchance Gun Club: Bond and Harris. Six voted in favor of Arizona Bench Rest Shooters: Hunter, Fjoser, Mundy, Miller, Andrews, and Nielson. The 2008 Varmint, Sporter, Unlimited Nationals will be hosted by the Arizona Bench Rest Shooters, located near Phoenix, Arizona sometime in October 2008. The exact date will be announced later.

Thornbury asked that the Prairie Dog Target Club be considered for the 2007 Hunter and Long-Range Hunter Nationals. At the 2005 Annual Board Meeting, the Prairie Dog Target Club had requested a bid be placed on their behalf to host the 2007 Hunter and Long-Range Hunter Nationals. Their bid was somehow overlooked and no action was taken during the 2005 Annual Board Meeting. Since then, the Prairie Dog Target Club had assumed that they were hosting the 2007 Nationals and have been spending funds on range improvements. Thornbury called for a show of hands for the Prairie Dog Target Club. The vote was 7 to 1 to accept the Prairie Dog Target Club's bid (Mundy opposed). The 2007 Hunter and Long-Range Hunter Nationals will be hosted by the Prairie Dog Target Club, located near Porcupine, South Dakota on August 14 – 17, 2007.

Mundy stated that at the current time, the Bench Rest Rifle Club of St. Louis has no one to run the varmint and hunter matches beginning in October 2006.

Thornbury asked for bids for the 2008 Hunter and Long-Range Hunter Nationals. There were no bids.

Thornbury asked for bids for the 2007 Rimfire Nationals. There were no bids.

Thornbury asked for bids for the 2007 1,000-Yard Nationals. There were no bids.

Thornbury asked for bids for the 2007 600-Yard Nationals. Nielson bid Folsom Shooting Club. The bid was unanimously accepted. The Folsom Shooting Club, located near Woodland, California will host the 2007 600-Yard Nationals on April 20 – 22, 2007 (Sign In, Weigh In, & Sight In is scheduled for April 19, 2007.)

Nielson explained that the 600-yard competitors had requested a change in the size of their targets. They had previously been using a target that was 60% of the size of the 1,000-yard targets. They are now requesting a smaller 600-yard target. Nielson moved to approve the requested smaller 600-yard targets, which are to be 40% of the size of the 1,000-yard targets. Andrews seconded the motion and it was unanimous.

Nielson said that Karl Hunstiger is able to reduce the size of the 1,000-yard targets and print the new NBRSA 600-Yard Targets so that they will be 40% of the size of the 1,000-Yard Targets. Hunstiger volunteered to then sell the targets to NBRSA for ½ price if he can place an ad for McMillan Stocks on the targets. NBRSA would

then sell them at a profit. Fjoser seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 6 to 2 (Harris and Miller opposed).

Bond requested that NBRSA competitors who have attended NBRSA Nationals for 50 years should receive an NBRSA recognition plaque.

The Board voted to give the Business Manager, Pat Ferrell, a \$200 a month raise, beginning August 1, 2006

Don Nielson then nominated Dennis Thornbury to serve another two-year term as the NBRSA President. Butch Fjoser seconded; Thornbury was unanimously elected.

Scott Hunter nominated Don Nielson to serve as the NBRSA Vice President. Denny Andrews nominated Bob Dodd to continue serving as the NBRSA Vice President. Don Nielson was elected to serve as the NBRSA Vice President and will begin his two-year term on Monday, July 31, 2006).

Hunter moved to give Bob Dodd a plaque recognizing his previous service as the NBRSA Vice President. Andrews seconded the motion.

Bond moved to recess the Board Meeting until Friday, July 28, 2006. Hunter seconded the motion. The Board Meeting will reconvene on Friday, July 28, 2006, in the NRA Whittington Center's Coors Range Stat House at approximately 7:00 PM.

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On Friday, July 28, 2006, the NBRSA Annual Board Meeting reconvened in the NRA Whittington Center's Coors Range Stat House, near Raton, New Mexico.

Dennis Thornbury, NBRSA President called the meeting to order.

After discussing the Rail-Gun Block again, it was decided to remove the reference of any specified dimension for the Rail-Gun Block. The "Official Rule Book and By-Laws, Revised Edition No. 36", will be revised on page 4, under B. Definitions, 14. Rests, (b) Unlimited Rests. Following the sentence which reads, "An Unlimited Rest may NOT be attached to a bench by any means what so ever", this will be added: "*A rectangular block may be constructed of any known materials, such as: wood, plastic, rubber or metal. The block must be parallel to the leading or front edge of the Rail-Gun Base and may be attached to the bench top only through the use of removable clamp(s). No portion of the block may extend under or around or to the side of the rail-gun base in any manner. No blocking, clamping or restraining may be used on either side or rear of the rail-gun base. The rail-gun base may not extend over the bench top at any point.*"

Following further discussion for adjusting of Muzzle Attachment Tuners, it was decided that a competitor will be disqualified if he stands or does not remove the bolt prior to adjusting his/her tuner. The "Official Rule Book and By-Laws, Revised Edition No. 36", will be revised on page 15, under E. Safety, and will read as: *11. Muzzle Attachments Used as Tuners. Once the command "Commence Firing" is given by the Range Officer, there shall be no adjusting of muzzle attachments at the firing line unless the competitor removes his/her bolt and remains seated. If a competitor stands or does not remove his/her bolt prior to adjusting his/her tuner, he/she will be disqualified.*

Because of the questions brought up at the General Membership Meeting regarding a moratorium on any rule changes for three years following the 2006 NBRSA Annual Board Meeting, the Board re-evaluated their earlier decision and rescinded the three-year "no rule change" by a 6 to 2 vote (with Mundy and Fjoser dissenting).

The final action to be taken by the Board was their approval of the Bench Rest Rifle Club of St. Louis (located near Wright City, MO) to host the 2008 Hunter and Long-Range Hunter Nationals in mid-August 2008 (beginning on a Tuesday).

The Board Meeting was then adjourned.