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## October 26, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:31PM by President Ken Danz. There were 22 members present. The minutes from the September 28, 2017, meeting was approved as distributed.

## Treasurers Report

Treasurer's report showed our last reported balance as \$36,266.25, with debits of \$12,321.97 and deposits of \$43,607.88 (primarily from 2018 dues receipts). This gave an ending balance as of 10/26/2017, of \$55,580.19 as reported by Treasurer Richard Updyke. The Treasurer's report will be filed for future audit, as usual.

## Membership Report

As of 10/26/2017, we have 384 members that have renewed for 2018, with 50 members still remaining (dues must be post-marked by 11:59pm, 10/31/2017 to avoid being dropped from our membership). There is currently a wait list of approximately 73. Please check your spam mail folder for the renewal notice. Dues postmarked after 10/31/2017 will be rejected and returned.

**Club Events** ~ Please check the web for Calendar of Events and to find out up-to-date information about a particular shooting event.

- **Cowboy** – There were 22 shooters this month. It was a beautiful day. The next club match is on 11/4/2017.
- **Geezer Guns** – There were 10 shooters this month. The next match is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday in September. Anyone interested in shooting, the matches are the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month and the cost to shoot is \$5. Contact John Merson for more information. Next match is 11/16/2017.
- **Battle Rifle** – The October match had 7 shooters with the weather forecasting rain. The next match is scheduled for 11/12. Matches are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month. Cost is \$10 for the 1<sup>st</sup> gun and \$5 for the 2<sup>nd</sup> gun...pistol match at the end is free.
- **ESPS** – USPSA October match is scheduled for 10/28/2017, with 75 shooters registered for this match. See the calendar for the next match.
- **Steel Challenge** – The October match had 24 shooters and 35guns. The next match is 11/19.
- **Project Appleseed Event** - .The October Appleseed Event was successful with 5 shooters attending. Watch the bulletin board or website calendar for future events.
- **Silhouette** – The next match is scheduled for 11/18.

## Old Business

- **Pole Building** – We have the certificate of occupancy in hand. Yeah!!! Stop by and take a look!!! It is nice! We are now starting on Electricity and walls. There will be a General Club storage bay, and a bay for each of the major shooting disciplines.
  - **Clubhouse Floor Replacement** – No new news on this for this month. Please watch the newsletter and website for updates. It will be fall before we start this work. We are still looking for volunteers to help with this project. Contact Ken Danz or John Merson.
  - **Light on Clubhouse Flag Pole** - A light will be placed on the Clubhouse 30ft. Flag Pole so that our Flag can be flown around the clock. Chuck Lebow will help with the fixture and John Merson will install. Anyone able to help with this project should contact John Merson. There was no new news on this project this month.
  - **Club Dues - Dues notices went out via email on September 1<sup>st</sup> (or late on 8/31).** You will only receive one notice. **Dues are due on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Do not wait to return your dues. The Club does offer a 1-month grace period to allow for mail delays etc... Any dues post-marked after October 31<sup>st</sup> are late and will be rejected, with NO EXCEPTIONS. If your dues are received late you will be required to re-join the club by going back on the waiting list and paying the initiation fee again. Only COMPLETE dues submissions will be accepted. Remember to return your signed Waiver and your check along with your dues sheet (3 things in total). New signed waivers are required every year from each member. This year we will be asking you to re-submit your birthdate on your dues invoice sheet, to clear up a few database discrepancies.** Anyone wishing not to renew their dues must return their gate card key immediately, or be charged a \$20 replacement fee.
  - **Club Elections** – Elections for club officers were held at the October meeting. The following people were elected or re-elected to the following offices:
    - **President** – Ken Danz – Unopposed
    - **Vice President** – Wes Grogan – Unopposed
    - **Secretary** – Jeff Johnson – Unopposed
    - **Treasurer** – Richard Updyke – Unopposed
    - **Membership Officer** – Tim Perry – New officer – Welcome!!!!
    - **Executive Officer** – Earl Schommer – New officer – Welcome!!!!
    - **Chief Instructor** – John Merson – Unopposed**Debbie and Tracy Kilby are resigning from the Board of Directors at the end of 2017. We would like to offer a special and sincere thank-you to Debbie and Tracy Kilby for many years of faithful and exemplary service to the club as officers on the Board of Directors and/or match directors. They will be greatly missed and we wish them the best of luck. THANK YOU!!!!**
  - **Updating/Upgrading Insurance Coverage for the Club** – It was learned that some of the property and umbrella insurance coverages for the club were outdated and under-valued. The Executive board has voted to update the required insurance coverages to reflect both the present property values and also the litigious atmosphere in which we operate today. Once a final figure is determined, the membership will be notified.
  - **Cowboy Clinic** – There will be a Cowboy Action Shooting clinic held by the Cowboy shooters in the next few months. Please watch the website and calendar for more information and date. No new information on this topic this month.
  - **Fall Clean-up** – We have scheduled November 11<sup>th</sup> for our fall clean-up this year (8am – done). Watch the newsletter and website calendar for any additional information and/or weather cancellation. Come out and enjoy the fun, earn some work hours and meet your fellow club members. If you attend, please be sure to sign the work book to get credit for your hours!
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## New Business

- **Scanning-In/Out at the Gate and Guest Waivers** – The Board of Directors wishes to make another announcement about Scanning-In/Out when a member enters and leaves the property and also about having a guest sign a waiver as soon as you enter the property with the guest. We are noticing that many members are not scanning-in/out when they enter/leave the property because they either enter/leave behind another member through the gate or that the gate is already open. **The only time a member does not have to scan-in/out is when you are here to attend a club sanctioned function or shoot. If you are not attending/participating in the club sponsored shoot, but rather are here for some other reason and the gate is open, you must still scan-in/out to comply with club rules. It is a good practice to scan-in/out whenever you enter/leave the property, even if you are attending the sponsored shoot.** Also, we are still noticing that members are not having guests sign a waiver whenever a guest is brought onto club property. It is important that you do this! The future of the club could depend on this. Have a guest sign a fresh waiver even if they have signed a waiver before...better safe than sorry.
- **Club Elections** – Club elections were held for the Board of Directors/Club officers. Two new members to the Board were elected by unanimous vote of the membership present. See above comment for details

## Legislative Updates

- Please check out the website for updates on pending legislation. The description(s) below of any legislation is our best interpretation of the bill/law, but may not be completely accurate. We encourage you to research these for yourself and to come to an informed opinion.
- Maryland
  - No new information was discussed.
- Delaware
  - Nothing new was discussed.

**New Member Introductions** – There were no new members inducted into the club this month. Member additions will start again in January 2018 when we have figured out how many people did not renew their membership in the club for 2018. We look forward to getting to know all new members and shooting with each new member. Be safe and have fun! Welcome!!!

The meeting was adjourned at approx. 8:00PM.

**The next meeting will be held January 25, 2018, at 7:30 PM. Please come out and support your club. Have a very happy Holiday Season!!!**