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The meeting was called to order at 7:30PM by President Ken Danz. There were 25 members present. The minutes from the January 2018 meeting were approved as posted/distributed. Secretary Jeff Johnson was absent and minutes were recorded by President Ken Danz...thanks Ken!

Treasurers Report

Treasurer's report for January 2018 showed debits of \$6568.00, and there were no deposits. This gave an ending balance as of 1/22/2018, of \$61,732.86 as reported by Treasurer Richard Updyke. The Treasurer's report will be filed for future audit, as usual.

Membership Report

As of 2/22/2018, we have 418 members. There is currently a wait list of approximately 27, and we have another 22 signed up for orientation.

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 13 shooters in February 2018.
- **Geezer Guns** – There were 11 shooters in February. The next match is the 3rd Thursday in March. Anyone interested in shooting, the matches are the 3rd Thursday of the month and the cost to shoot is \$5. Contact John Merson for more information.
- **Battle Rifle** – The February match was flooded out. Matches are held on the 2nd Sunday of the month. Cost is \$10 for the 1st gun and \$5 for the 2nd gun...pistol match at the end is free.
- **ESPS** – USPSA first match of 2018 is on 2/24/2018. See the calendar for match dates.
- **Steel Challenge** – The February match was cancelled due to range conditions. See the calendar for the next match.
- **Silhouette** – The February match had 15 shooters and 37 guns. See the calendar for the next match.

Old Business

- **Clubhouse Floor Replacement** – No new news on this for this month. Please watch the newsletter and website for updates. We are still looking for volunteers to help with this project. Contact Ken Danz or John Merson.

- **Light on Clubhouse Flag Pole** - Anyone able to help with this project should contact John Merson. There was no new news on this project this month. We are waiting for warmer and drier weather.
 - **Updating/Upgrading Insurance Coverage for the Club** –The Executive board has purchased insurance to meet our current needs.
 - **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.
 - **Spring Clean-up Day** – The date of April 21st has been set for our spring clean-up. The time is from 8am – until.... Come on out and help your club, meet members, and have a great time. Coffee and donuts are provided. Leaf blowers, yard implements and pressure washers are always welcome. Your help is appreciated. We will be preparing the club grounds for the big Delaware State Cowboy shoot in early May. For questions, contact Wes Grogan.
 - **Scout Day** – The date of May 12th, 2018, has been set aside as our annual Scout Day. This is a day where Wes helps introduce local Scouts to the safe use and handling of firearms. Watch the calendar on the website to see which ranges will be in use. Contact Wes Grogan for questions.
 - **Additional Range Closures** – The BOD has approved a request from ESPS for closure of the range on the Friday afternoon before the ESPS match, for setup. ESPS shoots on the 4th Saturday of each month, February thru October with the exception of no match in August. The range (both RR and PR) will close at 3pm on the Friday before the match. More details on this to follow.
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New Business

- **Safety Violations** – It was discovered (again!!!) that someone was shooting on the rifle range where the rounds were impacting only 10-15 feet from the front of the firing line in front of the 50 yard rifle berm. Unfortunately, it was discovered that the DVR for the camera system had stopped working at some point before this infraction occurred. Behavior such as this puts the club at risk and is not to be tolerated. We keep having violations like this, month after month...come on ladies and gentlemen, this is not a difficult concept to understand or remember. Please remember, everyone is responsible for their actions or the actions of their guests while on club property.
- **Moving of Club Materials into the new Pole Building** – Help is needed to move plywood and plastic, and to clean-out the left sea container. Now that the new Club bay is complete in the new pole building, we need to get these materials moved. Contact any board member to offer assistance.

Legislative Updates

- Please check out the website for updates on pending legislation, if available. 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.

Special note: The legislatures of both the State of Maryland and the State of Delaware, as well as our Federal Government are at it again, attacking our 2nd Amendment Rights!!! This year, our Rights are probably under one of the most serious attacks that we have seen in recent years, if ever. **It is imperative that you contact your State Representatives/Senators, and Representatives/Senators of the Federal Government and calmly voice your opposition to the many and serious treats to our 2nd Amendment Rights by the Anti-gun forces/supporters.** 2018 could see some of the worst and most devastating anti-gun laws and bans we have ever seen. Please do your part.

- Maryland
 - **March 6, 2018 is a date that testimony is being heard in the Maryland House on several anti-gun and pro-gun bills in Annapolis. Please come out and show your support/opposition to these bills and most definitely contact the committee members and your Representatives and Senators to show your opposition to the anti-gun bills and your support for the pro-gun bills. The MSI (marylandshallissue.org website has details).** Several bills threaten our rights. A proposed bill (SB-1062/HB-???) would completely ban magazines over 10 rounds...making the mere possession of a magazine with a capacity above 10-rounds a crime with no grandfather provision – this would have a huge impact on the club, our members and guests, and several competitions; There is a bill that would remove any firearms exemptions for “antique” weapons (???) ; other bills of interest that we do not have the specific information on...please educate yourselves. Please contact your Maryland Representatives and Senators to **oppose** these bills.
 - Maryland also has a few “pro-gun” bills that we encourage you to investigate these bills and please contact your Maryland Representatives and Senators to voice your support for these pro-2nd Amendment bills. The MSI website (marylandshallissue.org) has some information on all of these bills or will direct you to this information.
- Delaware
 - Several bills threaten our rights. A proposed “Bump-stock” ban, that as currently written, would also prohibit aftermarket triggers; The Governor has proposed a ban on AR-15 type rifles; other bills of interest that we do not have the specific information on...please educate yourselves. Please contact your Delaware Representatives and Senators to **oppose** these bills.

New Member Introductions – There were 9 new members at the meeting this month. 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. 8:30PM.

The next meeting will be held March 29, 2018, at 7:30 PM. Please come out and support your club.