

**THE NATIONAL CONGRESS OF OLD SHOOTISTS
ADVENTURELAND INN
DES MOINES, IOWA
NOVEMBER 20th and 21st, 2004**

Marshal Thorpe called the meeting to order at 8:10 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Senators: Abels, Boeke, Glenn, Goodwin, Hartwig, C. Rollins, Thorpe, C. Trueman, V. Trueman, Warnick, J. Weber, Williams 12

Representatives: Brannon (Kansas Vigilance Committee), Burman (Palmer Creek Vigilance Committee), Caldwell (Border Regulators), Chenault (Johnson County Rangers), Coop (Great Lakes Freight & Mining Co.), Garnatz (Western Iowa Border Agents), N. Rollins (Nebraska Territorial Rangers), Alvestad (Fort Des Moines Rangers), K. Weber (Cedar Valley Regulators) 9

Proxies: Kroemer, Singleton (Hat Creek Regulators), Ersland (Hickory Hills Regulators), Bursovsky (Blue River Regulators), Jensen (Colorado Congress of Old West Shootists & Social Club), Molhuysen (Lowland Regulators), Spanton (Wisconsin Old West Shootists) 7

Minutes of Twenty first Territorial Congress March 5, 2004 approved as published. Glenn/ Goodwin Passed

Bankers Report (hand out to all present) approved subject to audit Glenn/ Hartwig Passed

J. Weber reported that the lady working on audit has been ill - material should be ready to present at the Congress Meeting at Feb. Convention

Due to break down in communication and time restraints - the Lost Member letter was sent out without revision. Glenn reported that this mailing was successful enough to pay for the mailing. As of today 27 Ex-members have rejoined

Glenn reported the need for more NCOWS decals / \$256 for 1000 decals was approved.

Rewritten By-Laws by Senator Warnick:

Preamble;

(Insert) All NCOWS rules and regulations are subject all applicable - Federal, State and Local laws.

Williams/Abels Passed

By-Law 1: Membership:

Strike 1-6a (The fee for reinstating a former member to current membership shall be \$10,00.)

Glenn/Hartwig Passed

By-Law 2: Officers:

Change 2-5 (The Executive Committee may establish- to- The Executive Committee shall establish)

Glenn/Chenault Yes: Glenn, Caldwell, Chenault, Coop Failed

By-Law 3: Governance:

3-1a strike (or Representatives) from last sentence. Yes: Burman, Coop, Glenn, Boeke, Williams

Failed

3-1a Change the words (by-law) to paragraph in last sentence and add; Action taken by this By-law may be rescinded at next Territorial Congress Meeting by 2/3 vote of congress present.

Warnick/Alvestad Passed

By-Law 4: Elections

4-3 Strike (The Territorial Congress Shall provide for absentee balloting of the Territorial Elections.)

Glenn/V. Trueman Passed

By-Law 6: NCOWS Affiliations:

No changes made

By-Law 7: Authenticity:

7-4 add (Visible) ammunition containers and shooting supplies and equipment shall be consistent with historical authenticity. Glenn/V. Trueman Passed

By-Law 8: Vendors and Dealers:

8-4 change the word (shoot) thru out to event. Glenn/V. Trueman Passed

8-4 Strike (Vendors who are Full Members of National Congress of Old West Shootists shall be granted a 25% discount on their set up fees.) Goodwin/V. Trueman Passed

Move By-Law 10 Insurance ahead of By-Law 9 Rules and Regulations Glenn/Hartwig
Secretary will rearrange and renumber.

By-Law 9: Rules and Regulations:

Working Cowboy: Strike (Working Cowboy will shoot the same course of fire as the other shooters but will omit a pistol, pocket pistol and shotgun.) Caldwell/Abels Passed

Working Cowboy: Strike (cartridges) in first sentence and strike (You may need to reload one or both firearms to complete stage (not all stages will have reloads).) V. Trueman/Abels Passed

Strike 9-1c (All registered shooters at National, Regional and State Shoots shall be NCOWS members.) Glenn/Warnick Passed

NCOWS Rules and Regulations:

Strike last sentence in 2nd paragraph (Duplex loads in the ratio of a maximum of ten percent (10%) smokeless powder to black powder or Pyrodex in cartridges for single shot rifles will be permitted.) Glenn/Hartwig Passed

Range Rules and Regulations:

#15 strike pump -No more than two rounds may be loaded into (pump) shotgun at a time. Abels/V. Trueman Passed

#20 Strike (one leader) and change (2 watching) to 3 watching - Posses should have no fewer than 8 persons. (one leader), 1 timer, 1 shooter, 1 watching loading, 1 watching unloading, (2) 3 watching hits and picking up brass, 1 loading. Chenault/Glenn Passed

Put Ruger Vaquero Bisley on Non-Approved firearms list--affective at Territorial Congress Meeting , Convention 2006. Glenn/Coop No: N. Rollins, C. Rollins, Garnatz, Goodwin/ Hartwig Passed

Put slide on shotgun shell holders on NON-approved accoutrements list--affective at Territorial Congress Meeting, Convention 2006. Glenn/Coop No: N. Rollins, C. Rollins Passed

Accept By-Laws as amended and Approved, Not-approved firearms and accoutrements lists (see attachment). Glenn/V. Trueman Passed

V. Trueman and Williams presented information and pictures of possible property to purchase for National Range. V. Trueman will check into possible grants

The Executive Committee should obtain an option on proposed land and report back at Congress Meeting in Feb. (no money involved) Chenault/Glenn Passed

Chenault of The Johnson County Rangers in Kentucky presented information on holding a National Shoot on a range there. Thank you folks for stepping up with the proposal.

Marshal Thorpe called a recess at 6 p.m. will return at 8 a.m. Nov. 21st

Back in session 8:07 a.m.

Motion to have National Event (Shoot) at Groninga Hills in Ackley July 25-30, 2005 V. Trueman/J. Weber No: Glenn, Warnick, Williams, Brannon, Chenault Abstain: Ables, Boeke, Goodwin Passed

Judge Trueman and Marshal Thorpe will meet with Steve Groninga to set up arrangements.

Items for 23rd Territorial Congress Agenda;

Election of officers, Land Purchase report, National Event (Shoot) report, Review New Ruger Vaquero, Dividing NCOWS area into regions (report by Executive Committee)

Convention Feb. 2005--Senators and Representatives will meet at 6 p.m. in rooms A & B. Congress meeting is a 6:30 p.m.

Any nationally advertised multi-day NCOWS posse shoot will send NCOWS 25% of income after expenses. V. Trueman/Williams Passed

Any reenactment performed for profit under the name of NCOWS will send NCOWS \$1.00 per performer. Glenn/Goodwin Passed

How to improve the future of NCOWS :

Marlin Ingram's levels of living Historians - as guide line , Brochure that points out allowed and non allowed items even before joining, Magazine of past articles that will help with collecting gear, National Congress business card for members to hand out when asked why we are dressed this way (tells what we are about and what we do also a calendar of events), Video of events, National reenactment, Gunfighters competition , reports of reenactments in Shootist, calendar of events and reenactments around the country, news releases in advance. The Executive Committee will follow up on these ideas.

Marshal Thorpe formed a Reenactment committee; V. Trueman (chair), Boeke, Abels, Chenault, Coop, Williams This committee will look into implementing ideas on reenactments.

Johnson County Rangers--Eastern Regional Rendezvous Oct.7 & 8,2005 Approved

Nebraska Territorial Rangers --Regional Shoot Sept.23, 24, & 25, 2005 Approved

Appoint 6th person in line of current Senate Elections to fill last year of Dirk Whites term on Congress. Glenn/Williams Passed

Letter to be sent to Dirk White informing him that he has been removed from the Senate to be replaced.

Posse Charters must be renewed with list of current posse members by Jan. 1, 2005 for Posse representative to set on 23rd Territorial Congress

Next Congress Meeting; February 18, 2005

Mid-America Center

Council Bluffs, IA

6:30 PM, Room(s) A/B

Adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Cherel Trueman, Secretary

The Executive Committee met following the Congress Meeting:

Approved \$2,500.00 Ad budget for Convention

**MINUTES OF THE
23RD TERRITORIAL CONGRESS
OF
THE NATIONAL CONGRESS OF OLD WEST SHOOTISTS
MID-AMERICA CENTER
COUNCIL BLUFFS, IOWA
FEBRUARY 18, 2005**

Marshal Thorpe called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Marshal Thorpe swore in the new Senators and Representatives

Present: Senators: Brannon, Carpenter, Glenn, Goodwin, Hartwig, Irons, Kroemer, C. Rollins, Scott, Thorpe, Trueman, Warnick, J. Weber, Williams 14

Representatives: Burley for Garnatz (Western Iowa Border Agents), K. Weber (Cedar Valley Regulators), Alvestad (Fort Des Moines Rangers), Torrence (Kansas Vigilance Committee), Chenult (Johnson County Rangers), Ersland (Hickory Hills Regulators), N. Rollins (Nebraska Territorial Rangers), Bursovsky (Blue River Regulators), Burman (Palmer Creek Vigilance Committee), Caldwell (Border Regulators), Coop (Great Lakes Freight and Mining Company) 11

Proxy: Spanton (Wisconsin Old West Shootists), Ellison (Hat Creek Regulators) 2

Motion to destroy ballots for Senator elections. Glenn/Williams Passed

Motion to move elections of Executive officers from end of Congress Meeting to this time. C. Rollins/N. Rollins **YES:** Carpenter, Hartwig, C. Rollins, Thorpe, Trueman, Burley, N. Rollins, Bursovsky, Caldwell (9) **NO:** Brannon, Glenn, Irons, Kroemer, Scott, J. Weber, Williams, K. Weber, Alvestad, Torrence, Chenault, Ersland, Burman, Coop (14) **ABSTAIN:** Goodwin, Warnick (2) Failed

Marshal Thorpe appointed Cherel Trueman to record the minutes for this meeting.

Minutes of 22nd Territorial Congress November 20th and 21st, 2005 approved as published. K. Weber/Hartwig Passed

Bankers Report (hand out to all present) approved. J. Weber/Caldwell Passed

Hartwig suggested the Executive Committee look into purchasing C.D.s

.Herb Gindules reported that present Convention is in the black and going well. The dates of February 17, 18, 19, 2006 are open for us to use with a \$500.00 increase on the center.

Motion to hold Convention 2006 on February 17, 18, 19 in Council Bluffs with Herb in charge again. Williams/Trueman Passed

Trueman reported the land was still available-but won't hold without an offer and deposit. No grants available at this time.

Motion that NCOWS should pursue buying land. Coop/Bursofsky **YES:** Glenn, Williams, Ersland, Coop (4) **NO:** Brannon, Carpenter, Goodwin, Irons, C. Rollins, Scott, Trueman, Warnick, J. Weber, Burley, K. Weber, Alvestad, Torrence, Chenault, N. Rollins, Bursofsky, Burman , Caldwell (18) **ABSTAIN:** Hartwig, Kroemer (2) Failed

Marshal Thorpe appointed Irons to chair a committee to investigate ranges available for rent.

Motion to approve New Ruger Vaquero, Beretta Stampede and Colt Cowboy revolvers. Williams/Alvestad **NO:** Caldwell Passed

Motion to 24th Territorial Congress meeting November 12 &13, 2005 with location to be determined. Trueman/Caldwell **NO:** Torrence, Coop, Chenault Passed

Any one interested in setting a place for this meeting contact Marshal Thorpe by April 1, 2005

Motion to reconsider location of 2005 National Shoot Coop/Glenn **YES:** Glenn, Scott, Williams, Chenault, Coop (5) **NO:** Brannon, Carpenter, Goodwin, Hartwig, Irons, C. Rollins, Trueman, Warnick, J. Weber, Burley, K. Weber, Alvestad, Torrence, N. Rollins, Bursofsky, Burman, Caldwell (17) **ABSTAIN:** Kroemer, Ersland (2) Failed

A written signed agreement will be made with Groninga Hills L.L.C. agent Steve Groninga.

Election of officers for the Executive Committee:

NEW OFFICERS FOR 2005:

Marshal- Tracy Thorpe

Deputy Marshal- Chad Carpenter

Judge- Steve Caldwell

Secretary- George Glenn

Banker- John Irons

Editor- George Warnick

Senator Delegate- Lee Goodwin

Representative Delegate- Dennis Alvestad

Adjourned 9 p.m.

Respectfully

Cherel Treuman

Minutes of the 24th NCOWS Territorial Congress
November 19th & 20th, 2005
Embassy Suites Hotel, KC International Airport,
Kansas City, MO

Marshal Thorpe called the meeting to order, Saturday, November 19, 8:33 AM.

Present: Territorial Senators **Rob Brannon, Chad Carpenter, George Glenn, Lee Goodwin, John Irons, Cindy Rollins, Dave Scott, Tracy Thorpe, George Warnick**. Territorial Representatives **Tom Burman** (Palmer Creek Vigilance Committee), **Jack Bursovsky** (Blue River Regulators), **Robert Chenault** (Johnson County Rangers), **Steve Coop** (Great Lakes Freight & Mining Company), **Ray Garnatz** (Western Iowa Border Agents), **Norm Rollins** (Nebraska Territorial Rangers), **John Torrence** (Kansas Vigilance Committee).

Present by Proxy: Territorial Senators **Jim Boeke, Duane Hartwig, Angie Kroemer, Jay Weber, Dave Williams**. Territorial Representatives **Dennis Alvestad** (Fort Des Moines Rangers), **Steve Caldwell** (Border Regulators), **Danny Ellison** (Hat Creek Regulators), **Pete Erslund** (Hickory Hill Regulators), **Rob Fulcher** (Crab Orchard Cowboys), **Dave Howrey** (Wood River Horse Thieves), **Jan Molhuysen** (Lowland Regulators), **Thomas Spanton** (Wisconsin Old West Shootists), **Karen Weber** (Cedar Valley Regulators).

Absent: Territorial Representatives **George Carr** (Auglaize Rough Riders), **Paul Jensen** (Colorado Congress of Old West Shootists & Social Club), **David Lassen** (Sand Creek Raiders), **Peter Menyhart** (Whitehorse Regulators).

Guests: **Michael Tatham, Robert H. Dorian, Bill Proctor, John Covert, Michael Torrence, Herb Gindulis**.

The Minutes of the 23rd Territorial Congress were approved as published.

Banker **John Irons** presented the financial report: Assets of \$53,640.16; Liabilities & Equity, \$53,640.16. Year-to-Date Expenses \$22,961.41; Year-to-Date Income \$25,442.75. Assets are distributed as follows: 15 month CD (6-15) @ 3.45%, \$10,000; 3 month CD (9-15) @ 1.89%, \$5,016.28; 6 month CD (6-15) @ 1.59%, \$5,000; NCOWS Checking, \$2,988.60; NCOWS Savings \$30,635.28. Banker's Report was accepted as presented.

Editor's Report: Editor **George Warnick** reported that we have a new printer for *The Shootist*. The magazine is now costing us \$2.00 per member per year.

Judge **Chad Carpenter** stated that we are here to help NCOWS and NCOWS Posses develop and grow.

Guest **Bill Proctor** displayed his original painting for the Sept/Oct *Shootist* cover; the painting has been donated to NCOWS and will be raffled off at the 2006 Convention and Old West Show & Sale.

Senator **Dave Scott** asked that the following statement be read into the record: "As most of you know, within just a few days after I returned home from the Nationals, my son, Jason Scott, suffered an unexpected but fatal heart arrhythmia. He was only 34 years old, a husband and a father, a

sergeant with the Hancock County, Indiana, Sheriff's Department and a reenactor with the Great Lakes Freight and Mining Company in the persona of 'Rafe McKinley.' Soon after, we received an outpouring of support from NCOWS members – some of whom are here in this room and many others who are not – in the way of cards, letters, phone calls, e-mails, flowers and contributions. I would like to humbly request that it be noted for the record and made an official part of the Minutes of this Congress that on behalf of myself and the other members of Jason's family we wish to express our sincere and heartfelt gratitude for the support, the kindness and the generosity of the NCOWS organization and its members during this tragic time for us. Thank you."

The Congress moved on to the published agenda items.

Motion to approve The Crab Orchard Cowboys as an NCOWS Posse, **Glenn/Scott**. Passed 31-0.

Motion to amend By-Law 10-1 by adding "if there are at least three shooters registered for any given class. The group hosting the event may waive the three-shooter minimum." **Glenn/Scott**. After discussion the motion was withdrawn.

Motion to amend By-Law 10-1 by dividing each shooting class into Men's and Women's, e.g. Men's Black Powder Shootist and Women's Black Powder Shootist, etc. **C. Rollins/Chenault**. Motion passed 28-3. Voting "No" were **Ellison, Fulcher, Hartwig**.

Motion to amend By-Law 10-1 by eliminating the separate Ladies' Class. **Glenn/C. Rollins**. Passed 27-1, 3 abstentions. Voting "No" was **Ellison**; abstaining were **Ersland, Hartwig, Kroemer**.

Motion to amend By-Law 10-1 by adding an Elder Men's and Women's Class, open to those over age 70 only; may use any of the above shooting styles. **Carpenter/Goodwin**. Passed 26-4, 1 abstain. Voting "No" were **Ellison, Hartwig, Kroemer, Molhuysen**; **N. Rollins** abstained.

Motion to amend By-Law 10-1 by amending the Senior Class to be open to those over age 60. **Garnatz/Goodwin**. Motion withdrawn.

Motion to amend By-Law 10-1 by adding: Youth, Boys and Girls: shall be open to those age 9-13 only, may use any of the above shooting styles. Will use only rifle and shotgun on all stages (subject to all local, state and federal firearms laws). May use .22 rifle and .410 shotgun on main stage to accommodate smaller stature. Will be encouraged to begin using NCOWS-approved firearms as the participant gains experience and physically develops. **Carpenter/Burman. Scott** moved to amend the motion by substituting "those firearms permitted under" for Only rifle and shotgun on all stages . . ."; second by **Chenault**. Amendment and motion withdrawn.

Motion to amend By-Law 10-1 by changing the Junior Class to be limited to ages 14-17. Motion withdrawn.

Motion to Amend By-Law 10-1 by adding to the Working Class Cowboy definition: "There will be no more than two single round revolver reloads per match. Shooter will shoot the same sequence as the first revolver and rifle in the other classes." **Williams/Coop**. After some discussion **Coop** withdrew his second; motion died for lack of a second.

As a result of the above actions, By-Law 10-1 now reads as follows:

10-1. All NCOWS shooting classes, as established by By-Law, must be made available to all shooters at each National, Regional or Charter Posse Shoot. These classes shall be:

Men's and Women's Smokeless Shootist: Shooters may shoot smokeless powder and may fire

handguns using a two-handed grip.

Men's and Women's Blackpowder Shootist: Shooters must shoot blackpowder or approved blackpowder substitute powder in all firearms except those chambered for rimfire cartridges, and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip. Shotguns may NOT include any model of pump shotgun.

Men's and Women's Smokeless Duelist: Shooters may shoot smokeless powder and must fire handguns using a one-handed grip.

Men's and Women's Blackpowder Duelist: Shooters must shoot blackpowder or approved black powder substitute in all firearms except those chambered for rimfire cartridges, and must fire handguns using a one-handed grip. Shotguns may NOT include any model of pump shotgun.

Men's and Women's Pistoleer: Shooters are restricted to the use of percussion revolvers, pre-1873 percussion or original/authentic reproductions of rimfire cartridge pocket pistols, exposed-hammer double-barrel shotguns (percussion or cartridge), and reproduction or original pre-1873 pistol-caliber repeating rifles (e.g. 1860 Henry, Spencer, 1866 Winchester, etc: Shooters must shoot blackpowder or approved blackpowder substitute powder in all firearms except those chambered for rimfire cartridges. Pistols and revolvers must be shot one-handed. Pistoleer shooters will shoot the same course of fire as the other competitors except that in a stage requiring more than two shotgun rounds the Pistoleer shooter would not be required to shoot the extra rounds.

Men's and Women's Seniors: Shall be open to those over age 60 only, may use any of the above shooting styles.

Men's and Women's Elder: Shall be open to those over the age of 70 only, may use any of the above shooting styles.

Boy's and Girl's Juniors: Shall be open to those age 12 to 17 only, may use any of the above shooting styles.

Men's and Women's Working Cowboy: Shooter uses one pistol and one pistol caliber rifle. Smokeless or Black Powder cartridges may be used. No gun carts are to be used at any time. Pistol may be fired with one or two hands.

In addition to these classes, Chartered Clubs and special events may offer additional classes so long as they adhere to the general outline of these By-Laws.

Motion to Amend By-Law 3-2 by changing the proxy definition to read: "by providing his/her written proxy to a Territorial Senator or representative. Proxies may be general or specific in nature."

Glenn/Chenault. Passed 21-9, one abstention. Voting "No" were **Bursovsky, Garnatz, Goodwin, Irons, Molhuysen, C. Rollins, N. Rollins, Spanton, K. Weber. Carpenter** abstained.

Motions to amend By-Law 3-2 by adding "without sufficient excuse approved by the Territorial Congress" and by striking "Action taken by this By-law may be rescinded at next Territorial Congress Meeting by 2/3 vote of Congress present" were withdrawn.

By-Law 3-2 as amended now reads:

3-2. Any Territorial Senator or Representative who cannot attend a Territorial Congress must notify the NCOWS office or the Marshal either with the name of the NCOWS member who will be attending in his/her place (votes will be recorded as "<X> voting for <Y>") or by providing his/her written proxy to a Territorial Senator or Representative. Proxies may be general or specific in nature. Proxy votes of "Abstain" will be permitted for any/all agenda items. Any Territorial Senator or Representative who fails to fulfill their duties as proscribed in this paragraph shall be removed from

office and may not run for re-election for a period of three (3) years. Action taken by this By-law may be rescinded at next Territorial Congress Meeting by 2/3 vote of Congress present.

The Congress recessed for lunch.

Congress called back to order 1:15 PM.

Motion to add the Taurus “Gaucha” single-action revolver to the list of approved firearms. **N. Rollins/Goodwin**. Passed 27-2, two abstentions. Voting “No” were **Caldwell, Trueman**. Abstaining were **Kroemer, Molhuysen**.

Motion from the floor to add the USFA “Rodeo” to the list of approved firearms. **N. Rollins/Chenault**. Motion failed (proxies not voting) 3-7, 6 abstaining. Voting “Yes” were **Chenault, N. Rollins, Thorpe**. Abstaining were **Burman, Bursovsky, Carpenter, Garnatz, Goodwin, C. Rollins**.

By consensus the Congress agreed that Marshal **Thorpe** could appoint an interim Firearms Authenticity Committee, to be Chaired by **Chad Carpenter**. Anyone wishing to add a new firearm to the “Approved” list should have the request and supporting documentation in to Committee Chair **Carpenter** by January 30, 2006 so that the request may be submitted to the Secretary for the agenda for the 25th Territorial Congress.

Motion to approve the Kansas Vigilance Committee 2-Gun Shoot May 5-7, 2006; the Fort Des Moines Rangers’ 4th Annual Shootout at Coyote Gulch June 2-4, 2006; the Nebraska Territorial Rangers’ 8th Annual NCOWS Midwest Regional September 22-24, 2006. **Irons/Coop**. Passed 30-0, **Hartwig** abstaining.

Motion to add the “Originals” class to By-Law 10-1. **Glenn/Warnick**. Motion to table passed on a voice vote (proxies not voting).

Motion to ban “short-stroke” modifications to lever-action rifles/shotguns. **Glenn/Scott. Scott** moved the previous question, second by **Coop**. Motion passes 14-2 (proxies not voting); voting “No” **Bursovsky, Warnick**. Main motion passes, 20-11. Voting “No” were **Alvestad, Carpenter, Caldwell, Goodwin, Kroemer, C. Rollins, N. Rollins, Thorpe, Trueman, J. Weber, K. Weber**.

Banker **Irons** presented a report by **Jay Weber** on the 2005 National Shoot at the Prairie Fire Range, hosted by the Cedar Valley Regulators. There were a total of 68 shooters registered for the shoot; 26 shot the buffalo match, 19 shot the mid-range match, 17 the revolver side match, 17 the shotgun side match, 21 the 2-gun side match, 10 the multiple-gun side match and 24 the two-man team shotgun match. One hundred-eleven attended the banquet. Twenty-one camped. Total shoot income was \$6,745. Total shoot expenses (including \$750.00 for the 1866 rifle to be given away and \$870.00 to Groninga Hills, LLC) were \$5,392.94. Net income from the shoot was \$1,352.06

John Irons (Chair of the National Shoot Range Committee – members **Rob Brannon, Dave Scott**) presented two additional possibilities for National Shoot venues: a report on a large commercial shooting site in southern Illinois (not really a proposal as such), and a proposal from Groninga Hills, LLC (not the same as the previously-received proposal from the Cedar Valley Regulators).

Congress adjourned for the day at 5:03 PM.

Congress was called to order again Sunday, November 20, 8:40 AM.

Roll Call – same as Saturday.

Herb Gindulis presented an up-date on the 2006 Old West Show and Sale. There are many activities, numerable seminars and workshops, and it looks as though it's going to be bigger and better than ever.

Bursovsky moved to hold the 26th Territorial Congress on July 29-30, 2006. Second **Torrence**. Passed on a show of hands – nobody abstaining or voting “No.”

Motion to reimburse Territorial Senators and Representatives a portion of their travel expenses was withdrawn. **John Irons** will head a committee to study the matter further and make a recommendation at the 25th Congress in February.

Next on the agenda were the proposals for hosting the 2006 National Shoot. The Chair noted that he had failed to get the proposals submitted by the Range Committee to the Secretary in time for them to be placed on the agenda. Since the Range Committee proposals were not on the published agenda, and thus those voting by proxy would have no vote on them, it was ruled that only the two proposals on the agenda would be considered.

Motion to hold the 2006 National Shoot at Prairie Fire Range, hosted by the Cedar Valley Regulators. **Torrence**. Motion died for lack of a second.

Motion to accept the Johnson County Rangers' proposal to host the 2006 National Shoot at the Hooten Old Town facility in McKee, Kentucky, June 14-17, 2006. **Garnatz/Bursovsky**. Passed 25-3, 3 abstentions. Voting “No” were **Alvestad, Howrey, K. Weber**. Abstaining were **Burman, Caldwell, Spanton**.

Initial agenda items for the 25 Territorial Congress in February, 2006, were listed: Approval of new firearms; approve any additional proposals for regional shoots; up-date safety rules and regulations; discuss reimbursement of travel expenses (**Glenn** and **Irons** to work on this); move “Form a Posse” page information into the By-Laws (**Glenn** will work on this); discuss a mechanism for disenfranchising “deadbeat” Posses; discuss proposed definitions of pocket pistols (**Danny Ellison**); remove “Originals Class” proposal from the table; clarify what constitutes an “official NCOWS event.”

The 24th Territorial Congress adjourned at 11:00 AM. The 25th Territorial Congress will convene Friday, 17 February, 2006, at the Mid-America Convention Center, Council Bluffs, Iowa. Time and place TBA.

Respectively submitted

George D. Glenn, Secretary.

Minutes of the 25th NCOWS Territorial Congress
February 17th 2006
Mid-America Center,
Council Bluffs, Iowa

Marshal Thorpe called the meeting to order, Friday, February 17th, 6:40 PM.

Present: Territorial Senators **Jim Boeke, Rob Brannon, Chad Carpenter, John Covert, George Glenn, Duane Hartwig, John Irons, Cindy Rollins, Dave Scott, Tracy Thorpe, John Torrence, George Warnick, Dave Williams, and Herb Gindulis.** Territorial Representatives: **Dennis Alvested, Jack Bursovsky, Robert Chenault, Steve Coop, Danny Ellison, Pete Ermland, Norm Rollins, Thomas Spanton, Mike Tatham, Karen Weber.**

Present by Proxy: Territorial Senators, **None**, Territorial Representatives, **Rob Fulcher**, (Crab Orchard Cowboys) proxied by Robert Chenault and **Ray Garnatz** (Western Iowa Border Agents) proxied by Glen Burley.

Absent: Territorial Senators, **Angie Kroemer** Territorial Representatives, **Tom Burman**(Palmer Creek Vigilance Committee), **Steve Caldwell** (Border Regulators), **George Carr**(Auglaize Rough Riders), **David Lassen**(Sand Creek Raiders), **Pete Menyhart** (The White Horse Regulators), **Jan Mohaysen**(The Lowland Regulators), **Dave Howrey**(Wood River Horse Thieves)

Guests: **Joe and Cathy Parrino, Bill Proctor, Jay Weber, Kayleen Best, Steve Groninga** and others who's names I missed

Swearing in of new Territorial Senators and Representatives: **John Covert, Herb Gindulis, George Glenn, Duane Hartwig, John Torrence, and Mike Tatham** were sworn in.

Election of officers:

Marshal: **Dave Scott**

Deputy Marshal: **Danny Ellison**

Secretary: **Jack Bursovsky**

Judge: **John Torrence**

Banker: **John Irons**

Editor: **George Warnick**

Senator Delegate: **John Covert**

Representative Delegate: **Dennis Alvestad**

The minutes of the 24th NCOWS Territorial Congress were approved as published.

Banker **John Irons** presented the financial report(Three different handouts) **Assets:** \$59,168.67 **Liabilities: \$00.00** Bankers report was **approved.** C. Carpenter/K. Weber **Passed unanimously**

Editor **George Warnick** discussed the shoot schedule of **The Nebraska Territorial Rangers . Norm Rollins** stated that **NCOWS** needs to get their tax exemption - Federal income tax filing situation looked at by a Tax Attorney. **Motion** made and seconded (J Bursovsky/ P. Ermland) to have Banker John Irons get a tax attorney to look into the situation. **Motion** amended by T. Thorpe seconded by

C Carpenter to go a head and have Tax Attorney do what ever is necessary to get NCOWS up to date on the tax situation, after the E-committee has looked over the finding by said such Tax Attorney.

Amendment: Passed unanimously. Motion: Passed unanimously

Herb Gindulis reported that there would be a \$400 To \$500 dollar increase to obtain the Mid-America Center next year. He also stated that NCOWS would have to let them know shortly. More volunteers are needed to make next year's convention happen.

New Business:

Item No. 1 on the agenda was withdrawn.(**G Glen**)

Item No. 2 on the agenda was withdrawn.(**J Bursovsky**)

Item No.3 update "approved/disapproved list **Approved** Taurus Thunder bolt, Beretta Gold Rush, US Firearms Lightning clone and Marlin 1894CB in 32H&R Magnum. Moved by D Williams seconded by R Chenault **Motion passed unanimously.**

Item No. 4 on agenda No motion Item dies.

Item No.5 Remove "originals" from the table. **Motion carries** (G Glenn/ J Covert)

Motion made to add "originals class" to By-law 10-1(R Chenault/ J Covert) **Yes** Boeke, Brannon, Bursovsky, Chenault, Coop, Covert, Ellison, Ersland, (Chenault for Fulcher), Glenn, Hartwig, Scott, Spanton, Tatham, Torrence, Warnick, Williams.(17) **No** Alvestad, Carpenter, (Burley for Garnatz), Gindulis, Irons, C. Rollins, N.Rollins, Thorpe, Weber (9) **Motion Passed**

Motion to attach "Originals" to appendix of By-law 10-1 (Glenn/Warnick) **Motion Passed.**

Item No. 6 Motion to add the following definition of "Pocket Pistol" to the NCOWS Rules and Regulations: "Acceptable pocket pistols are restricted to the following specifications.1 Small frame, up to 6 ½" or less(as in Colt Pocket Police or S&W tip-up) .22calibur through .38calibur. 2. Large/medium frame,4" or less (as in Colt storekeeper, Sheriffs'model and Colt Lightning) .38caliber through .45caliber. Or a revolver cut down and or modified to be carried specifically as a concealable pocket pistol (such as the documented 1860 Colt snub nosed 2" barrel .44Army). 3. Any original (pre-1899 design) DA or SA originally designed or modified to be carried specifically as a pocket pistol or hideout revolver".(P Ersland/R Chenault) Previous Question Called (Glenn/Williams) **Yes:** Coop, Ellison, Ersland, (Chenault for Fulcher), Scott, Spanton, (6). **No:** Alvestad, Boeke, Brannon, Bursovsky, Carpenter, Chenault, Covert, (Burley for Garnatz), Glenn, Gindulis, Hartwig, Irons, C Rollins, N Rollins, Tatham, Thorpe, Torrence, Warnick, Weber,(19) **Abstain:** Williams (1) **Motion Fails**

Item No. 7 Motion to amend By-law 2-1-d to read (The Banker shall function as the Treasurer and shall maintain a ledger of expenses and income along with any bank statements, receipts, bills, etc. to support said ledger. He or she shall have charge of all National Congress of Old West Shootists' funds. He or she shall disburse funds to maintain the day to day operation of the organization. He or she shall disburse funds at the direction of the Executive Committee for expenses beyond day to day operating expenses. He or she shall present a detailed treasurer's report to the Congress for the previous calendar year at the first Territorial Congress meeting of each year. Summary Treasurer's reports shall be made incrementally from the last detailed report to the Executive Committee at each Executive Committee Meeting throughout the year. (Covert/Brannon) **Motion Passed**

Unanimously

Item No.8 Motion to amend By-law3-6a to read : Conduct the financial policies of the National Congress of Old West Shootists. An independent review of the previous years Banker's report shall be made each year by a committee of three(3)NCOWS members appointed by the Marshal. The Banker shall provide any and all records requested by the committee. (Irons/Chenault) **Motion Passed Unanimously**

Item No. 9: Motion to amend By-law 1-4-e "**Honorary Member** May be bestowed upon a worthy former member or other deserving individual by the membership-- full membership rights except the right to vote or to hold office. Requires no payment of dues." by adding "Honorary memberships are a one-year membership and are renewable on a yearly basis by the Executive Committee." (Glenn/Williams) **No** : Bursovsky (1) **Yes**: Alvestad, Boeke, Brannon, Carpenter, Chenault, Coop, Covert, Ellison, Ersland, (Chenault for Fulcher) ,(Burley for Garnatz),Gindulis, Glenn, Hartwig, Irons, C,Rollins, N. Rollins, Scott, Spanton,Tatham, Thorpe, Torrence, Warnick, Weber, Williams (25)**Motion Passed**

Item No.10 Motion to approve the publication of a special NCOWS issue of *Shoot!. Magazine*. (Glenn/Covert)**Motion Passed Unanimously**

Item No.11: Amend By-law 1-3 by adding : "Posses may be reimbursed up to one hundred dollars(\$100.00) per year for their advertising of NCOWS Posse events. This reimbursement can be for media ads or for table rental at gun shows where the Posse promotes NCOWS. Receipts for such paid advertising can be submitted to the NCOWS Banker.(Brannon/ Thorpe) **Motion Passed Unanimously**

Item No.12: Motion to amend By-law 9-2 beginning A fund shall be set up to provide monies to be issued to the individual Posse Bankers for the express purpose of obtaining liability insurance coverage for NCOWS-sanctioned Posse events..."by adding"...for the first two years. After two years Posses will pay their own insurance." (Weber) **Motion died due to lack of second**

Item NO. 13 **Withdrawn** Item referred to Executive Committee.

Item No.14: NCOWS insurance policy was discussed . It was decided that the E-Committee would look further into the matter.

Item No. 15: The 27th Territorial Congress (Feb. 2007) Motion to hold the 27th Territorial Congress at the Mid-America Center in Council Bluffs, Iowa in February 2007. (Glenn/Torrence) **Motion Passed unanimously**

Item No. 16: Motion to establish a committee of three to prepare a proposal for the 26th Territorial Congress to establish a \$1000. NCOWS two -year college scholarship to be awarded upon application to any NCOWS member or child of a member who is majoring in History or other allied discipline.(Glenn/Hartwig) Amendment to motion to strike (majoring in History or other allied discipline.) (Carpenter/Thorpe) **Yes**: Alvestad, Carpenter, Ersland, C Rollins, Spanton, Thorpe, Torrence, (7) **No**: Boeke, Brannon, Bursovsky, Chenault, Coop, Elllison, (Chenault for Fulcher), (Burley for Garnatz), Glenn, Hartwig, Irons, N Rollins, Scott, Tatham, Warnick, Weber, Williams, Gindulis , Covert (19) **Amendment failed**: Original motion voted on **Motion passed 25 for, 1 (J Irons) against . Passed**

Item No. 17: Other Business: George Glenn stated that VaughnTrueman was home from the hospital and doing much better.

Item No.18: Motion to adjourn: (Williams/Glenn) **Motion Passed Unanimously.**

Minutes of the June 17th 2006 Congress Meeting at McKee, Kentucky

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Marshal Scott for the purpose of electing a Senator to replace Angie Kroemer for the remainder of her term. The three nominees who were running for the Senate seat were “ **Joe Parrino, Bob Chenault, and Bob Dorian**”

Present: Territorial Senators- **Rob Brannon, John Covert, George Glenn, John Irons, Dave Scott, John Torrence, George Warnick, and Dave Williams.** Territorial Representatives- **Jack Bursovsky, Robert Chenault, Steve Coop, Pete Ersland, Rob Fulcher, and Mike Tatham**

Present by Proxy: Territorial Senators- **James Boeke, Herb Gindulis, Duane Hartwig, and Tracy Thorpe** Territorial Representatives- **Dennis Alvestad** (Fort Des Moines Rangers), **Tom Burman** (Palmer Creek Vigilance Committee), **George Carr** (Defiance Justice Society), **Danny Ellison**(Hat Creek Regulators) **Thomas Spanton** (Wisconsin Old West Shootists) **Karen Weber** (Cedar Valley Regulators) Proxy received late due to slow Mail for **Dave Howrey** (Wood River Horse Thieves)

Absent: Senators- **Chad Carpenter, Cindy Rollins** Territorial Representatives **Steve Caldwell** (The Border Regulators) **Ray Garnatz** (The Western Iowa Border Agents) **Norm Rollins** (Nebraska Territorial Rangers).

After the Roll Call, ballots were handed out, marked and then counted. And **Robert Chenault** was declared the winner.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Minutes of the 27th NCOWS Territorial Congress

July 29 and 30th 2006

McGregor, Iowa

Marshal Scott called the meeting to order, Saturday, July 29th, 9:00 A.M.

Present: Territorial Senators- **Jim Boeke, Rob Brannon, Chad Carpenter, Robert Chenault, John Covert, George Glenn, Duane Hartwig, John Irons, Dave Scott, Tracy Thorpe, John Torrence, George Warnick, and Dave Williams.** Territorial Representatives- **Dennis Alvestad, Jack Bursovsky, Glenn Burley, Steve Coop, Thomas Spanton, Mike Tatham, and Karen Weber.**

Present by Proxy: Territorial Senators- **Herb Gindulis** Territorial Representatives- **Tom Burman**(Palmer Creek Vigilance Committee), **George Carr**(Defiance Justice Society), **Danny Ellison**(Hat Creek Regulators), **Pete Ersland**(Hickory Hills Regulators), **Rob Fulcher**(Crab Orchard Cowboys), **Jim Mullins**(The Johnson County Rangers), **Dave McFarland**(The Border Regulators), **Absent:** Territorial Senators- **none** - Territorial Representatives- **Dave Howrey**(Wood River Horse Thieves), Nebraska Territorial Rangers did not send a representative).

Guests: **Bill Proctor and his son William, Steve Groninga, Bob Dorian, Michele Torrence, Anastasia Hope, Monica Brannon, Beth Scott, and others whose names I can't recall.**

The Minutes of the 25th NCOWS Territorial Congress were approved with the following corrections : George Glenn's name was misspelled once, The Beretta Gold Rush rifle was also added to the approved firearm list.

The Minutes of the 26th NCOWS Territorial Congress Meeting at McKee, Kentucky were approved as published.

Officers Reports: Banker Irons gave reports on the 2006 National Shoot and the 2006 NCOWS Convention and the General Funds Account.

Editor Warnick gave a report on the "Shoot Magazine issue".

Judge Torrence gave a report on the "Authenticity Committee".

Secretary Bursovsky gave a report on the membership.

Motion was made and seconded (Covert, Brannon), to approve **The Beaver Creek Social Club** as a new National Congress of Old West Shootist Posse. The motion passed **unanimously**. Kayleen Best is their new Posse Representative.

Swearing in of new Territorial Senators and Representatives: **Robert Chenault, Glenn Burley and Kayleen Best** were sworn in.

Old Business: None

New Business: a motion was made and seconded (Thorpe, Alvestad) to accept the explanations of the Senators and Representatives who were absent from the 26th Congress Meeting in McKee, Kentucky on June 17th 2006. **Motion Passes 28 for- 0 against with one abstain (McFarland)**

Marshal Scott directed the Secretary to send a registered letter to the Nebraska Territorial Rangers

inquiring as to when they were going to elect a new Posse Representative for their club.

Item B (4) Motion that Posses shall remit \$1.00 per participant per sanctioned activity whether a fee is charged or not to the NCOWS Banker within 30 days of the activity was amended by its author (**Bursovsky**) to state, Posses shall remit \$1.00 per participant for the minimum required sanctioned activities whether a fee is charged or not to the NCOWS Banker within 30 days of the activity. (**Bursovsky, Hartwig**) After much discussion **Motion Fails Unanimously**

Item B(4a) Motion dies due to Item B (4) failing.

Item B alternate (4) Withdrawn.

Item B (3a) a motion and second after amendments to amend By-Law 1-3 to include the following:

All Posse events shall be sanctioned events and shall adhere to all bylaws and regulations. Any Posse wishing to vary from the rules and regulations must petition the Executive Committee for a specific waiver for that event. Said petition shall include detailed statements of need and justification for the waiver.(Warnick, Thorpe) **Yes:** Alvestad, Brannon, (Warnick for Burman), Bursovsky, Carpenter, Covert, (Scott for Ellison), (Scott for Ersland), (Scott for Fulcher), (Covert for Gindulis), Irons, (Warnick for McFarland), Scott, Spanton, Tatham, Thorpe, Torrence, Warnick, Weber, and Best (20) **No:** Boeke, Burley, Chenault, Coop, Glenn, Hartwig, (Chenault for Mullins), and Williams 8) **Abstain: (Torrence for Carr)** (1) Motion **Passes**

Item B (1) A sanctioned activity shall be defined as a regular 1 day shoot , multi-day shoot, reenactment, living history event, banquet, seminar, workshop, or business meeting. **Withdrawn**

Item B (2) A minimum of 4 sanctioned activities shall be held per calendar year. **Withdrawn**

Item B (3) No un-sanctioned events shall be allowed **Withdrawn**

Item B (5) Posses shall remit a \$6 per participant fee for a multi-day shoot to the NCOWS Banker within 30 days of the activity. (Irons/ Bursovsky in place of the \$1 per shooter and 25% of profit fee.) **Withdrawn**

Item B (5b) After amendments, A motion to amend By-Law 1-3 to read “The yearly Posse renewal fee is \$35.00 Renewal forms, including a current Posse membership list with NCOWS membership numbers and list of officers shall be returned to the National office by 1 January of each year”. **Yes:** Alvestad, Boeke, Brannon, (Warnick for Burman), Bursovsky, Burley, Carpenter, Chenault, Covert, (Scott for Fulcher), (Covert for Gindulis), Glenn, Hartwig, Irons, (Chenault for Mullens), (Warnick for McFarland), Scott, Spanton, Tatham, Thorpe, Torrence, Warnick, Weber, Williams (24) **No:** Coop, (Scott for Ellison), (Scott for Ersland) (3) **Abstain:** (Torrence for Carr), and Best.(2) Motion **Carries**

Item B (5c) A motion to amend By-Law 1-3 to read “At least fifty per cent (50%) of the members and one hundred per cent (100%) of the officers of any Posse must be active, dues-paying members of the National Congress of Old West Shootists”. (Irons, Williams) Motion **Carries Unanimously.**

Item B (5d) A motion to amend By-Law 1-3 to read “After their first year and thereafter, Posses must maintain a minimum membership of five (5) members to remain an active Posse and must maintain a minimum membership of twelve (12) members to receive insurance reimbursement”. (Covert, Williams) Motion **Carries 27 For, 1 No (Coop) 1 Abstain** (Torrence for Carr).

Item B (5e) A motion to amend By-Law 1-3 to read “All Posses must carry a minimum of \$1,000,000

liability insurance policy and provide copies of said such insurance policies to the NCOWS Banker and Secretary whether they are participating in the insurance reimbursement or not.” (Alvested, Glenn) Motion **Passes 28 for 1 against** (Coop)

Item B (5f) A motion to amend By-Law 1-3 to read “Posses not meeting these requirements shall not have their representative recognized at the next Territorial Congress meeting. Posse’s shall have 30 days after written notice to meet these requirements or face having their Posse Charter revoked.” (Bursovsky, Alvested) Motion **Passes 28 for, 1 against.** (Coop)

Item C: A motion to amend By-Law 9: Insurance to read “9-1. All Posses shall be required to maintain liability insurance coverage as provided by this by-law and to the level established by NCOWS.

9-2. The Executive Committee shall secure and maintain a general liability policy for the overall organization to protect the corporation in the event of litigation and to cover the location of the National Shoot and the Convention.

9-3. In the event that the number of members in the Posse exceeds the base policy, then the individual Posses shall make up the difference between the payment and the premium.

9-4. NCOWS will reimburse Posses for the basic minimum charge for such liability insurance if they have and maintain 100% NCOWS membership. Posses with less than 100% NCOWS membership will be reimbursed at half the current rate. (Irons, Bursovsky) Motion **Passes Unanimously**

Item D: After amendments a motion to amend By-Law 2-5 as follows, “The Executive Committee may establish and schedule at least one all- National Congress of Old West Shootists a year, and shall sanction and schedule other National Congress of Old West Shootists-sponsored events as proposed and run by the various Posses. The Executive Committee shall authorize an amount of \$500. to be paid to the Posse or Posses conducting the National Shootout. The Executive Committee may also establish and schedule an annual convention and trade show of the National Congress of Old West Shootist. The Executive Committee shall authorize an amount of \$1000 to be paid to the Posses conducting the annual Convention”.(Covert, Bursovsky) Motion **Carries Unanimously**

Item E: A motion that The National Congress of Old West Shootist set up a booth in the National Rifle Associations’ annual Convention being held April 13,14, and 15th 2007, in St. Louis, Missouri for the purpose of giving our organization national recognition, serve as a national platform to show the differences between NCOWS and the other CAS groups, serve as a membership drive vehicle for the purpose of recruiting new members into NCOWS, and to show that NCOWS is truly a National Organization. Furthermore Bill Proctor would be in charge of coordinating and planning out the schedules of the volunteers that would be needed to man the booth at the convention. (Bursovsky, Coop) Motion **Passes Unanimously**

Item F: A motion after amendments to change the Men’s and Women’s **Working Cowboy Class** to read as such “Shooter uses one revolver and one revolver caliber rifle. Smokeless or Black powder cartridges may be used. No gun carts are to be used at any time. Revolver may be fired with one or two hands. Shooter will shoot the same sequence as the first revolver and rifle in the other categories.” (Williams, Glenn) **Yes:** Alvested, Boeke, Burley, Chenault, (Scott for Fulcher), Glenn,

Hartwig, (Chenault for Mullins), Tatham, Williams (10) **No:** Brannon, (Warnick for Burman), Bursovsky, Carpenter, Coop, Covert, (Scott for Ellison), (Scott for Ermland), Irons, (Warnick for McFarland), Scott, Spanton, Thorpe, Torrence, Warnick, Weber, Best (17) **Abstain:** (Torrence for Carr), (Covert for Gindulis), Motion **Fails**

Item G: A motion to amend the **Range Rules and Regulations** as follows “No alcohol allowed on the range during shooting hours, either for use or possession. The range is defined as firing line and adjacent public areas to include primitive camping and vendor areas. No illegal controlled substances at any time. No smoking in the shooting area. Consumption or under the influence of alcohol or illegal controlled substance during shooting hours while participating in a shooting event is permanent ban from NCOWS. Visible possession during shooting hours on the defined range area is an automatic match DQ.(Covert, Thorpe) Motion **Fails unanimously**

Item H: After amendments a motion to amend By-Law 10-2 to read Smokeless powder loads shall not exceed the maximum muzzle velocities of comparable black powder loads,e.g. 1500 fps for single shot cartridge rifles; 1300 fps for lever action rifles; 1000fps for handguns. Smokeless loads may be chronographed and certified by the Judge before the shooter will be allowed to compete. No loading below manufacture’s recommendation. Minimum velocity for any main match firearm is 600fps or published loading data. (Tatham, Torrence) Motion **Passes 28 Yes – 1 No** (Irons)

Item I: Items to be put on approved and unapproved list.

1: A motion to add short-stroke pistol kits to the unapproved list (Torrence, Tatham) Motion **Passes Unanimously**

2: A motion to add Lightning Rods or similar devices on the unapproved list (Torrence,Tatham) Motion **Passes unanimously**

3: A motion to add aluminum carriers for toggle link rifles to the unapproved list. (Torrence, Tatham) Motion **Passes Unanimously**

4: A motion to add 1887 Winchester replica shotguns made by Norinco (IAC) to the approved list. (Torrence, Tatham) Motion **Passes 27 Yes-2 No** (Chenault, Boeke).

5: A motion to add the H&R Buffalo Classic Rifle to the unapproved list. (Torrence, Tatham) Motion **Passes 26 Yes- 3 No** (Scott for Fulcher, Thorpe, Carpenter)

6: A motion to add the Colt Model 1889 and related Colt revolvers (1892, 1894, 1895, 1896, 1901, and 1903) to the approved list. (Torrence, Tatham) Motion **Passes 25 Yes -3 no** (Coop, Burley, Warnick for McFarland) **1 Abstain**(Torrence for Carr)

6(b): A motion to add the Colt New Police Model to the approved list. (Torrence,Tatham) Motion **Passes 27 yes,-1 no** (Warnick for McFarland), **1 Abstain** (Torrence for Carr)

6(c): A motion to add the Colt Police Positive to the approved list. (Torrence, Tatham) **Yes** Alvestad, Bursovsky, (Scott for Ellison), (Scott for Fulcher), Thorpe. **No** Boeke, Brannon, (Warnick for Burman), Burley, Carpenter, Chenault, Coop, Covert, (Scott for Ermland), Glenn, Hartwig, Irons, (Chenault for Mullins), (Warnick for McFarland), Scott, Tatham, Torrence, Warnick, Weber, Williams, and Best. **Abstain** (Torrence for Carr), (Covert for Gindulis, Spanton Motion **Fails** Gun is put on unapproved list.

7: A motion to add Webley model # MK1, MK2, MK4, and Mk5 revolvers (birds head or banana

grips) to the approved list. (Torrence, Tatham) Motion **Passes 26 Yes,- 3 no** (Boeke, Burley, Scott for Ellison)

8: A motion to add Webley revolvers with non-bird head or non banana grips to the unapproved list. (Torrence, Tatham) Motion **Passes 27 yes,- 2 no** (Scott for Ellison, and Scott for Fulcher)

9: A motion to add stocked conversion revolvers (shot as rifles) to the approved list. (Torrence, Tatham). After some discussion motion and second were **withdrawn**

10: A motion to add single trigger/ double barreled shotguns to the approved list. (Torrence, Tatham) Motion **Passes 25 yes, - 4 no** (Boeke, Carpenter, (Scott for Ellison), (Warnick for McFarland).

11: A motion to add 1893 reproduction Winchester shotguns made by IAC to the approved list. (Bursovsky, Williams) Motion **Passes 28 yes, - 1 no** (Boeke)

12: A motion to add Taylor's & Companies, Winchester "73" in 32 H&R Mag. (Thorpe, Burley,) Motion **Passes 26 Yes,- 3 No** (Scott for Ellison), Irons and Scott

13: A motion to add Taylor's & Companies, Winchester "66" in 32 H&R Mag to the approve list. (Thorpe, Burley) Motion **Passes 21 Yes,- 8 no** (Brannon, Burley, Covert, Best, (Scott for Ellison), Irons, (Warnick for McFarland), Scott

14: A motion to add the Navy Arms Scout and similar guns to the approved list. (Thorpe, Chenault) Motion **Fails 28 No – 1 Yes** (Fulcher) Gun is added to the unapproved list.

15: A motion to add the Model P Junior to the approved list for Juniors only. (Scott, Covert) Motion **Fails 21 no – 7 yes** (Tatham, Capenter, (Scott for Ellison), (Scott for Ersland), (Scott for Fulcher), Coop, Scott **Abstain** Torrence

Item J: Motion to approve a definition of a NCOWS approved holster as the following

"No holster shall be lined with metal, plastic, or any non-leather material to make it easier to extract or re-holster revolver. No holster shall be lower than the forward (muzzle) edge of the trigger guard over the cylinder or the leading edge of the holster. Holster shall be attached to belt by a loop over the entire belt, ie, no slotted belt (buscadero rigs). No holster may be tied to the leg." **After much discussion a motion was made and seconded (Glenn, Bursovsky) to postpone until next Congress Meeting. Motion Passes unanimously**

Item K: A motion to add the following to NCOWS Rules and Regulations:

All firearms actually manufactured before 1900 must be shot at all NCOWS ranges/events with black powder or black powder substitute. (Since those guns were not made to handle smokeless powder, this is a safety issue). (Torrence, Covert) Motion **Fails 27 No 2 yes** (Warnick for McFarland) (Scott for Fulcher)

Item L: A motion to add to the NCOWS **Safety and Procedure Rules for all National, Regional and NCOWS Posse Shoots** 17-A: (A shooter having more than one squib load, will be automatic match disqualification.) (Bursovsky, Torrence) After much discussion motion was **withdrawn**.

Item M: a motion to strike the phrase "in common use" in the By-Laws 7: Authenticity: section and replace with "in use". **Withdrawn**.

Item N: a motion to amend Article VI. Section 6.05 to read as follows. All meetings of the

Territorial Congress shall be conducted pursuant to a written agenda. For an item to be included on the agenda, it must be submitted not later than 30 days prior to the meeting. All members of the Territorial Congress shall be provided a copy of the agenda not later than 20 days prior to the meeting. Items not appearing on the agenda may be discussed but not voted on unless declared and emergency item by a $\frac{3}{4}$ majority of those present. (Bursovsky,Williams) Motion **passes Unanimously**

Item O: A motion to establish a National Congress of Old West Shootists Scholarship as follows:

The National Congress of Old West Shootists Scholarship consists of a \$1000.00 yearly stipend, renewable upon application for a second year, and is open to any NCOWS member or a dependant of any NCOWS member who is or who has been accepted as a student in good standing at any accredited institution of higher learning. First –year undergraduate applicants must demonstrate significant academic achievement on the secondary level (a high school diploma with an overall grade point average of 2.33, a GED or the equivalent); second –year undergraduates must have an overall grade point average of 2.33, (on a 4.00 scale, where 4.00 is an “A”); upper-level undergraduates must have a declared major with a minimum grade point average of 3.00 on a 4.00 scale in the major and an overall grade point of 2.33. Continuing graduate students must have a minimum grade point of 3.33 in their major and 3.00 overall. Preference will be given to students whose declared major of area of study can be shown to have a significant relationship to that period of U. S. history commonly known as The Old West, (a major in history or related area is preferred) and/or to the sport of Western Action Shooting as practiced by The National Congress Of Old West Shootists. The scholarship may be used for any approved academic expense; e.g. tuition, room and board, books, supplies, and/or research. (The applicant must secure the approval of the NCOWS Scholarship Committee for any expense other than tuition.)

There will be a maximum of two scholarships (or renewal thereof) granted each academic year. In the case that a scholarship is not granted in any given year, the money for that year will be placed in a special scholarship find and held for future use. The intent is that NCOWS guarantees a total of \$2000.00 in scholarship funds per academic year. If, say, only \$1000.00 is awarded in a given year, the remaining \$1000.00 for that year will be placed into the special scholarship fund and saved for future use, such use to be determined by the Scholarship Committee.

The NCOWS Scholarship Committee shall consist of three NCOWS members to be appointed by the Marshal with the Concurrence of the Executive Committee and/or the Territorial Congress. The Scholarship Committee shall have final say in the granting and continuance of the NCOWS Scholarships.

Application forms for the annual NCOWS Scholarships will include the usual biographical information as well as a statement of purpose by the applicant, and must be accompanied by evidence of successful academic achievement (academic transcripts) and at least two letters of recommendation. Except for the academic year 2006/2007, when applications may be submitted up to 30 December,2006, scholarship applications and all accompanying materials should be in the hands of the Scholarship Committee by 1 July of any given year. (For example, applications for the 2007/2008 academic year must be in by 1 July 2007)

(Glenn, Hartwig) After much discussion it was moved and seconded (Irons, Chenault) to postpone until the legality of it was established. Motion **Passes 27 Yes – 2 No** (Glenn, Hartwig)

Item P: Safety Rule Additions

1: A motion to add “It is permissible if Posses allow for mule-eared shotguns to be cocked at the beginning of a scenario whether staged or in the shooter’s hands. (Thorpe, Bursovsky) Motion **Passes 28 Yes 1 No** (Brannon)

2: After amendments a motion was made and seconded (Thorpe, Hartwig) that “no cocked firearm with a live round under the hammer may ever leave the shooters hand except for a malfunction. This also means from one hand to the other. Motion **Passes 25 Yes 4 No** (Irons, Brannon, Coop, and (Scott for Ersland).

3: After amendments a motion was made and seconded (Covert, Coop) “The shooter shall never be allowed to move with a cocked, loaded firearm in hand. Once the firearm is cocked, one foot must remain in place on the ground until the firearm is discharged. First violation will result in a stage disqualification; second violation will result in match disqualification.” Voting **Yes**, Burley, Carpenter, Covert, (Scott for Ellison), (Scott for Ersland), (Scott for Fulcher), (Warnick for McFarland), Spanton, Thorpe.(9) Voting **No** Alvestad, Boeke, Brannon, (Warnick for Burman), Bursovsky, Chenault, Coop, Glenn, Hartwig, Irons, (Chenault for Mullins), Scott, Tatham, Torrence, Warnick, Weber, Williams, Best (19). **Abstain** (Torrence for Carr), (Covert for Gindulis) (2) Motion **Fails**

4: Anytime a pistol is re-holstered and the hammer is not all the way down on either an empty chamber or a spent case it will result in a stage disqualification. After much discussion item was **Withdrawn**

After much discussion, the rest of the items under Item P were withdrawn. Marshal Scott will be addressing Safety Issues by appointing Committees to go over these matters.

Item Q: The 2007 NCOWS National Shoot will once again be held at Hooten Old Town, McKee, Kentucky on June 20th, 21th, 22th, and 23nd 2007. A thank you goes out to Kayleen Best for once again proposing Prairie Fire Range at Ackley, Iowa.

Item R: 2007 NCOWS Convention report: John Irons gave a brief report on the upcoming Convention. He stated that more volunteer are needed to make things run smoothly. The dates of the Convention are February 16,17, and 18 2007 at the Mid America Center in Council Bluffs, Iowa. The Congress meeting will be Friday, February 16 2007 at 6:30 P.M. For more information or to volunteer, contact Herb Gindulis or John Covert.

Item S: 2008 NCOWS Convention report: Bob Dorian gave a brief report stating that they are having trouble locating a big enough place in Kansas City in February to hold the Convention. He stated that March or April would work much better. A motion was made and seconded (Irons, Bursovsky) to move the 2008 Convention to the dates available in March. Motion **Passes Unanimously**

Item T: Marshal Scott set the date of the next Congress Meeting at Friday February 16th, 2007. The caucus will start at 6:30 P.M. The meeting will start at 7:00 P.M.

motion was made and seconded to adjourn (Covert, Bursovsky) Meeting was adjourned.

Minutes of the 28th NCOWS Territorial Congress
February 16, 2007
Mid-America Center
Council Bluffs, Iowa

Marshal Scott called the meeting to order, 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 16 2007.

Present: Territorial Senators; **Jim Boeke, Rob Brannon, Jack Bursovsky, Chad Carpenter, Robert Chenault, John Covert, Herb Gindulis, Duane Hartwig, John Irons, Dave Scott, Tracy Thorpe, John Torrence, George Warnick, and Dave Williams.** Territorial Representatives; **Dennis Alvestad, Kayleen Best, Glenn Burley, Steve Coop, Danny Ellison, Pete Ersland, Dave Howrey, Troy Lytle, Jim Mullins, Dave McFarland, Thomas Spanton, and Mike Tatham.**

Present by Proxy: Territorial Representatives **Rob Fulcher** (Crab Orchard Cowboys), **Karen Weber** (Cedar Valley Regulators). Territorial Senator **George Glenn**

Absent: Territorial Senators, **None.** Territorial Representatives **Tom Burman** (Palmer Creek Vigilance Committee), **George Carr** (Defiance Justice Society)

Guests: Len Abels, James Hunt, Bob Dorian, and others whose names I can't recall.

Swearing in of new Territorial Senators and Territorial Representatives: **James Boeke, Jack Bursovsky, Robert Chenault, Troy Lytle, Tracy Thorpe, and Dave Williams** were sworn in.

Election of Officers:

Marshal: **Dave Scott**

Deputy: **Mike Tatham**

Judge: **John Torrence**

Secretary: **Jack Bursovsky**

Banker: **John Irons**

Senator Delegate: **Rob Brannon**

Representative Delegate: **Steve Coop**

It was moved and seconded (**Hartwig, Chenault**) to approve the minutes of the 27th NCOWS Territorial Congress with corrections. Motion **carries** unanimously.

Banker's Report: Banker **John Irons** gave a full financial report on 2006 and a YTD report summary up to February 11 2007. It was moved and seconded (**Bursovsky, Chenault**) to approve the report as submitted. Motion **carries** unanimously.

Other Officers' Report: **Marshal Dave Scott** recognized **Danny Ellison, John Covert, and Dennis Alvestad** for their service as NCOWS Officers for 2006.

Bob Dorian, a member of the Financial Review Committee reported that an audit of the financial records had been completed and that no abnormalities were found. It was moved and seconded (**Hartwig,Chenault**)approve the report as read. Motion **carries** unanimously.

Secretary **Jack Bursovsky** reported the current membership numbers as 999 members as of February

11, 2007.

Marshal **Dave Scott** reported that problems with “The Shootist” were being addressed.

Old Business:

It was moved and seconded (**Torrence, Brannon**) to approve the definition of a NCOWS approved holster as the following. “No belt holster shall be lined with metal, plastic, or any non-leather material to make it easier to extract or re-holster revolver. Cloth Lining shall be acceptable. No holster shall be lower than the leading, forward edge of the trigger guard in the trigger area and no lower than the midpoint of the trigger guard over the cylinder or at the leading edge of the holster. Holster shall be attached to belt by a loop over the entire belt, i.e., no slotted belt (buscadero rigs). No holster may be tied to the leg.” Motion carries unanimously.

It was moved and seconded (**Bursovsky, Chenault**) to take from the table a motion to establish a National Congress of Old West Shootists Scholarship as follows.

The National Congress of Old West Shootists Scholarship consists of a \$1,000.00 yearly stipend, renewable upon application for a second year, and is open to all NCOWS members or dependants of any NCOWS member (except that members of the Territorial Congress and their dependents and members of the Scholarship Committee and their dependents will not be eligible) who are or who have been accepted as a student in good standing at any accredited institution of higher learning. First-year undergraduate applicants must demonstrate significant academic achievement on the secondary level (a high school diploma with an overall grade point average of 2.33, or a GED or the equivalent); second-year undergraduates must have an overall grade point average of 2.33 (on a 4.00 scale, where 4.00 is an “A”); upper-level undergraduates must have a declared major with a minimum grade point average of 3.00 on a 4.00 scale in the major and an overall grade point average of 2.33. Graduate students entering their first year of graduate study must have completed their undergraduate degree with a minimum grade point average of 3.00 on a 4.00 scale in the major and an overall grade point average of 2.33. Continuing graduate students must have a minimum grade point of 3.33 in their major and 3.00 overall. Preference will be given to students whose declared major or area of study can be shown to have a significant relationship to that period of United States history commonly known as The Old West (a major in history or related area is preferred) and/or to the sport of Western Action Shooting as practiced by The National Congress of Old West Shootists. The scholarship may be used for any approved academic expense; e.g. tuition, room and board, books, supplies, and/or research. (The applicant must secure the approval of the NCOWS Scholarship Committee for any expense other than tuition.).

There will be a maximum of two scholarships (or renewals thereof) granted each academic year. In the case that a scholarship is not granted in any given year, the money for that year will be placed in a special scholarship fund and held for future use. The intent is that NCOWS guarantees a total of \$2,000.00 in scholarship funds per academic year. If, say, only \$1,000.00 is awarded in a given year, the remaining \$1,000.00 for that year will be placed into the special scholarship fund and saved for future use, such use to be determined by the Scholarship Committee.

The NCOWS Scholarship Committee shall consist of three NCOWS members to be appointed by the Marshal with the concurrence of the Executive Committee and/or the Territorial Congress. The Scholarship Committee shall have final say in the granting and continuance of the NCOWS Scholarships.

Application forms for the annual NCOWS Scholarships will include the usual biographical information as well as a statement of purpose by the applicant, and must be accompanied by evidence of successful academic achievement (academic transcripts) and at least two letters of recommendation. Scholarship applications and all accompanying materials should be in the hands of the Scholarship Committee by 1 July of any given year. (For example, applications for the 2007/2008 academic year must be in by 1 July 2007.)

Voting--Yes: Bursovsky, Chenault, Coop, Ersland, Gindulis, (Williams for Glenn), Hartwig, Spanton, and Williams (9). **Voting-- No:** Alvestad, Best, Boeke, Brannon, Burley, Carpenter, Covert, Ellison, (Scott for Fulcher), Irons, Lytle, Mullins, McFarland, Scott, Tatham, Thorpe, Torrence, Warnick, (Jim Paul, for Weber). (19) Motion **Fails**, item remains tabled.

2007 National Shoot Report: **Robert Chenault** reported on the 2007 National Shoot to be held at Hooten Old Town in McKee, KY, on June 21, 22, and 23rd 2007. He stated that preparations are going well, but that he could still use some help with Posses sending in some stage designs for the match.

2008 Convention Report: **Bob Dorian** gave a report on the preparations for the 2008 NCOWS National Convention to be held at the Jack Reardon Convention Center in Kansas City, KS. The dates are Feb. 15, 16, and 17, 2008.

Safety Committee Reports: **Steve Coop** brought a proposed set of safety guidelines for Long Range Matches and for Reenactments. These guidelines are attached to the back of these minutes.

As far as the Main Match Safety Committee Report, after the brief report provided to the Marshal was read, some members of the Safety Committee, present at the Convention, reported there had been problems with communication and therefore universal involvement in the process. The Marshal indicated he would contact all parties involved and see if the problems could be rectified. If not, the Marshal indicated a new Safety Committee would be appointed. The new report from this committee will be presented at the Summer Congress meeting.

It was moved and seconded (**Irons, Tatham**) to set the proposed Long Range and Reenactment guidelines for review and approval at the 29th Congress session. Motion **carries** unanimously.

It was moved and seconded (**Chenault, Ersland**) to postpone action on a review on the Main Match safety items until a review is completed by all members of the Main Match Committee. Motion **carries** unanimously.

New Business:

Item A: It was moved and seconded, (**Tatham, Bursovsky**) to amend Bylaw 7-1 to read: **7-1: Authenticity:** It is the responsibility of the individual to document the authenticity of all items of apparel, accouterments, and firearms. It is the responsibility of the individual, if asked to provide documentation on the authenticity of items of apparel, accouterments, and firearms that may appear to be not of the time period.. The remainder of this by-law shall act as a general guide, however, the Territorial Congress, in conjunction with the Authenticity Committee, shall maintain, update and publicize specific lists of both "Approved" and "Not-Approved" items of apparel, accouterments, and firearms. These lists shall be made a part of this by-law and shall take precedence over any other portion of this or any other by-laws with which they may conflict. Questionable items may be granted temporary amnesty by the Judge on an individual member basis (not a blanket

proclamation) until said item is listed by the Territorial Congress. Motion **fails** unanimously.

Item B: It was moved and seconded (**Gindulis, Williams**) to amend Bylaw 7-2 to read: (shaded areas below are existing bylaw wording. Proposed changes are underlined (new) or crossed out (removed).

7-2: Authenticity: No modern (post 1899) firearms will be allowed unless they are authentic reproductions of traditional firearms or very markedly resemble traditional firearms. Traditional firearms are defined as those ~~manufactured and/or commonly used during the 1865-1899 time period.~~ mass produced in quantities greater than 500 units and /or commonly used. -Center-fire calibers may substitute for original rim-fire calibers in reproduction firearms. Reproduction firearms chambered in calibers not utilized in original models shall be allowed as long as such calibers are original to the period or are otherwise approved by the National Congress of Old West Shootists. Motion **fails** unanimously.

Item C: Amend Bylaw 10-1 by adding the following shooting class. "**Range Detective**" Shooter uses two revolvers and an approved rifle. Smokeless or Black Powder may be used. Shooter shoots the same course of fire as other classes minus the shotgun or pocket pistol where applied. Shooter may shoot Duelist or Shootist (two handed). **Withdrawn**

Item D: It was moved and seconded (**Williams, Hartwig**) to amend Bylaw 3-2 to read: (shaded areas below are existing bylaw wording. Proposed changes are underlined (new) or crossed out(removed). **3-2:Governance:** Any Territorial Senator or Representative who cannot attend a Territorial Congress must notify the NCOWS office or the Marshal either with the name of the NCOWS member who will be attending in his/her place (votes will be recorded as "<X> voting for <Y>") or by providing his/her written proxy to a Territorial Senator or Representative. Proxies may be general or specific in nature. Proxy votes of "Abstain" will be permitted for any/all agenda items. A separate proxy must be sent for each Territorial Congress Meeting that can not be attended, ie. No permanent proxies will be allowed. Any Territorial Senator or Representative who fails to fulfill their duties as proscribed in this paragraph shall be removed from office and may not run for re-election for a period of three (3) years. Action taken by this By-law may be rescinded at next Territorial Congress Meeting by 2/3 vote of Congress present. Motion **carries** unanimously.

Item E: Amend Bylaw 10-1 by dividing Men and Women's Working Class Cowboy into separate classes. Men and Women's Working Class Cowboy Shootist and Men and Women's Working Class Cowboy Duelist. Shooter uses one pistol and one pistol caliber rifle. Smokeless or Black Powder cartridges may be used. No gun carts are to be used at any time. Pistol may be fired two-handed in Working Class Cowboy Shootist. Pistol must be fired one-handed in Working Class Cowboy Duelist. **Item dies due to lack of second.**

Item E-1: It was moved and seconded (**Williams, Coop**) to amend Bylaw 10-1 by adding the following classes. **Junior Boys Working Cowboy** and **Junior Girls Working Cowboy**. Motion **fails** unanimously.

Item F: It was moved and seconded (**Carpenter, Hartwig**) to adopt a one year moratorium on by-law changes unless proposals are submitted by members accompanied by a petition signed by 50 or more members with 2 or more years continuous membership in NCOWS. If adopted this will take effect on Feb.17th, 2007, and will be in effect for the following Congress meetings; 2007 Summer Territorial Congress meeting and the NCOWS Convention Territorial Congress meeting in 2008. The following items will be excluded from the moratorium;

By-law changes for financial business of the organization; Declared emergencies by majority vote at the 2007 Summer Territorial Congress meeting and the NCOWS Convention

Territorial Congress meeting in 2008; Current Approved and Disapproved lists for firearms, clothing and accouterments; Safety rules and regulations for live ammunition shoots and blank ammunition reenactments.

Voting--Yes: Alvestad, Carpenter, Thorpe (3) **Voting-- No:** Best, Boeke, Brannon, Burley, Bursovsky, Chenault, Coop, Covert, Ellison, Ersland, (Scott for Fulcher), Gindulis, (Williams for Glenn), Hartwig, Irons, Lytle, Mullins, McFarland, Scott, Spanton, Tatham, Torrence, Warnick, (Paul for Weber), Williams.(25) Motion **Fails.**

Item G: The insurance reimbursement on the current Posse costs and the new Posse costs were discussed. It was the consensus that nothing be changed as far as reimbursements, at this time. Posses with 100 percent NCOWS membership will continue to be reimbursed in full for a standard policy.

Item H: There was discussion about privacy and our membership list. This discussion was brought on by several requests over the past year to give out members' names from various states to try and get Posses started. It was reiterated that names and addresses shall not be given out. However, if a person or person is trying to get a Posse started, they may leave their name and contact info with the Secretary or Editor so that if another member or members from the same area want to join a Posse they have someone to contact.

Item I: It was moved and seconded (**Chenault, Williams**) that the 29th National Congress Of Old West Shootist Territorial Congress Meeting be held July 28 and 29, 2007, at Jim Boeke's facility in McGregor, IA. Motion **carries** unanimously.

Item J: It was moved and seconded (**Chenault, Tatham**) that the meeting be adjourned. Motion **carries** unanimously.

Minutes of the 29th NCOWS Territorial Congress

July, 28, 29th, 2007

McGregor, Iowa

Present: Territorial Senators; Jim Boeke, Rob Brannon, Jack Bursovsky, Robert Chenault, John Covert, George Glenn, Duane Hartwig, John Irons, Dave Scott, Tracy Thorpe, John Torrence, George Warnick, Dave Williams Territorial Representatives; Kayleen Best, Glen Burley, Steve Coop, Pete Ersland, Thomas Spanton, Mike Tatham, Karen Weber

Present by Proxy: Territorial Senators; Chad Carpenter, Herb Gindulis

Territorial Representatives; Dennis Alvestad, Rose Calloway, Danny Ellison, Rob Fulcher, Troy Lytle, Jim Mullins, Bill Proctor, Roger Schultz, Richard Smith,

Absent: Territorial Representative; Dave Howrey (Wood River Horse Thieves)

Guests: Jay Weber, Beth Scott, Brian Bauer, Steve Groninga, and Monica Brannon

It was moved and seconded (Glenn, Hartwig) to approve the Minutes of the 28th NCOWS Territorial Congress. Motion carries unanimously.

Banker's Report: Banker John Irons gave financial reports on the 2007 NCOWS National Convention, the 2007 NCOWS National Shoot, and a 2007 year to date report summary. Banker Irons also informed the Congress that the IRS penalty situation has been resolved and that all penalties that NCOWS could have incurred have been waived. NCOWS is now current with the IRS. It was moved and seconded (Williams, Hartwig) to approve the Banker's reports as submitted. Motion carries unanimously.

Other Officer's Reports:

Editor George Warnick gave a brief report on the status of the "Shootist" magazine. He stated that a new printer from Indiana has been hired to put out the magazine. Copies of the July/August issue from the new printer were distributed to the Congress.

Marshal Dave Scott gave a report on why the new computers and software that NCOWS recently purchased, was necessary.

Secretary Jack Bursovsky reported the current membership numbers as 888 members as of July 26, 2007. Bursovsky also reported that NCOWS lost two Posses, The Defiance Justice Society, from Ohio, and Palmer Creek Vigilance Committee from Iowa. NCOWS also has picked up three new Posses. These Posses are The Covered Bridge Shootist Inc, from Alabama, The Scarlet Mask Vigilance Society, from Indiana, and The Lonesome Pine Pistoleros, from Kentucky.

Safety Committee Reports: Marshal Dave Scott read a report by Marlin Ingram, head of main match Safety Committee. It was moved and seconded (Irons, Coop) to approve the report as submitted. Motion carries unanimously.

2007 National Shoot Report: Robert Chenault gave a brief report and thanked all persons involved with making the 2007 NCOWS National Shoot at McKee, Kentucky a great success.

2008 NCOWS Convention Report: Rob Brannon, head of the 2008 NCOWS Convention Committee

reported that newsletters had been sent out to various vendors, letting them know about the upcoming NCOWS Convention in February of 2008. The dates are February 15,16, and 17 2008 at the Reardon Convention Center, in Kansas City, Kansas. The adjoining hotel is the Hilton Garden Inn, at 520 Minnesota Avenue. Their phone number is 913-342-7900. Be sure and mention NCOWS for the special room rate of \$80.00 per night.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Item A: It was moved and seconded (Bursovsky, Hartwig) to require all proposals to host the 2008 NCOWS National Shoot be in the NCOWS office by September 1, 2007. Motion carries unanimously.

It was moved and seconded (Williams, Torrence) to approve Posse Charters for The Covered Bridge Shootists Inc., Scarlett Mask Vigilance Society, and the Lonesome Pine Pistoleros. Motion carries unanimously.

Item B: A proposal to amend By-Law 7-1: Authenticity. Shaded areas below are existing bylaw wording. Proposed changes are underlined (new). 7-1: It is the responsibility of the individual to document the authenticity of all items of apparel, accouterments, and firearms. The remainder of this by-law shall act as a general guide, however, the Territorial Congress, in conjunction with the Authenticity Committee, shall maintain, update and publicize specific lists of both "Approved" and "Not-Approved" items of apparel, accouterments, and firearms. These lists shall be made a part of this by-law and shall take precedence over any other portion of this or any other by-laws with which they may conflict. Questionable items may be granted temporary amnesty by the Judge on an individual member basis (not a blanket proclamation) until said item is listed by the Territorial Congress. 7-1: NCOWS focus is to attempt to provide the participants and those attending an event an atmosphere reminiscent of the years 1865-1899 in U.S. history. A participant is conforming to NCOWS rules as long as the firearms, outfits, accouterments, and accessories closely resemble an antique photograph or literary description found in books, catalogs, advertisements, or newspapers from the period of 1865-1899. Items used should closely resemble items in looks and design and considered manufactured (7-1a) and / or commonly used (7-1b) during the years 1865-1899. When asked to do so, it is the responsibility of the individual to document the authenticity of questionable items of apparel, accouterments, and firearms. The remainder of this by-law shall act as a general guide, however, the Territorial Congress, in conjunction with the Authenticity Committee, shall maintain, update, and publicize specific lists of both "approved" and "not-approved" items of apparel, accouterments and firearms. These lists shall be made a part of this by-law and shall take precedence over any other portion of this or any other by-law with which they may conflict. Questionable items may be granted temporary amnesty by the Judge on an individual member basis (not a blanket proclamation) until said item is listed by the Territorial Congress.

7-1a: The term "Manufactured" as used throughout the NCOWS By-Laws is defined as follows: Items that were sold to the public through mail order, general stores, catalog sales, door to door sales, or issued by the military. This definition is expanded to include items that were home-sewn, home-made or altered, blacksmith made or altered, and gunsmith made or altered.

7-1b: The term "Commonly used" as used throughout the NCOWS By-Laws is defined as follows: Any item that was used or could have been used anywhere in the world, that could have been

imported, shipped, sold, carried, traded, or possessed by any person that lived in, moved to, visited, or traveled through the United States during the years 1865-1899. (Gull) Motion dies due to lack of a second.

Item C: A motion was made and seconded (Torrence, Tatham) to amend the Approved-Unapproved list by removing the Smith & Wesson revolver made by Navy Arms, Cimarron and others, and replacing with Schofield revolvers made by Uberti, Navy Arms, Armi San Marco, and Smith & Wesson. Motion carries unanimously.

Item D1: A motion was made and seconded (Glenn, Williams) to add to the Approved-Unapproved list:

1: Model 3 Russian by Uberti, Navy Arms Motion carries unanimously. Item is added to Approved list

Item D2: A motion was made and seconded (Bursovsky, Ersland) to add to the Approved-Unapproved list:

1: Beretta Laramie by Uberti, Beretta Motion carries 30 to 1 (Irons). Item is added to the Approved list.

Item E: A motion was made and seconded (Brannon, Glenn) to amend By-Law 10-1 by adding the following. In the Old West women may have posed as men or occasionally done a man's work, therefore they may have dressed in men's clothing. If a woman wishes to dress as a man, she must shoot in the appropriate men's class.

After much discussion and a letter composed by the Western Iowa Border Agents was read by Posse Representative Glenn Burley stating that they felt that this amendment if passed could lead NCOWS open to a future lawsuit, the motion was voted upon. Voting –Yes: Brannon, (Bursovsky for Calloway), (Warnick for Gindulis), Tatham.(4) Voting-No: (Thorpe for Alvestad), Best, Boeke, Burley, Bursovsky, (Thorpe for Carpenter) Chenault, Coop, Covert,(Ersland for Ellison), Ersland, (Chenault for Fulcher), Glenn, Hartwig, Irons, (Bursovsky for Lytle), (Chenault for Mullins), (Chenault for Proctor), (Thorpe for Schultz), Scott, Spanton, Thorpe, Warnick, Weber, Williams, (Chenault for Smith) (26) Abstain: Torrence Motion fails.

Item F: A motion to amend By-Law 10-1 under all “shootist classes by inserting after the phrase “may fire handguns using a two-handed grip” but must cock the handgun using the strong hand thumb. (Brannon) Motion was withdrawn.

Item G: A motion was made and seconded (Brannon, Ersland) to amend the Range Rules and Regulations by deleting the item that states “no more than two rounds may be loaded into a shotgun at a time.” Voting –Yes: Boeke, Brannon, (Bursovsky for Calloway), Chenault, Coop, Covert, (Ersland for Ellison), Ersland, (Chenault for Fulcher), (Warnick for Gindulis), Glenn, Hartwig, (Chenault for Mullins), (Chenault for Proctor), Scott, Tatham, Torrence, Warnick, Weber, (Chenault for Smith) (20) Voting-No: (Thorpe for Alvestad), Best, Burley, Bursovsky, (Thorpe for Carpenter), Irons, (Bursovsky for Lytle), (Thorpe for Schultz), Spanton, Thorpe, Williams (11) Motion carries.

Item H: A motion was made and seconded (Glenn, Hartwig) to create a “sub-junior” committee for 10-12 year old members. The committee would study the possible requirements and make recommendations to the Executive Committee to create a new category. Voting-Yes: Boeke, Brannon, Burley, Bursovsky, (Bursovsky for Calloway), (Thorpe for Carpenter), Chenault, Coop,

(Ersland for Ellison), Ersland, Fulcher, Glenn, Hartwig, Irons, (Bursovsky for Lytle), (Chenault for Mullins), (Chenault for Proctor), Scott, Spanton, Tatham, Thorpe, Torrence, Warnick, Weber, Williams, (Chenault for Smith) (26) Voting-No: (Thorpe for Alvestad), Best, Covert, (Warnick for Gindulis), (Thorpe for Schultz) (5)

Motion carries.

Item I: A motion was made and seconded (Bursovsky, Brannon) to allow the use of all big bore rifles made and used within the time period between 1865-1899, such as Krag, and 1895 Winchester among others, as a side-match or long range rifle. Such rifles would be shot at paper targets using the velocities and bullets that they were designed for. Poses would have the option of offering this side-match or long range event as they choose. A motion was made and seconded (Glenn, Tatham) to postpone until the next Congress Meeting. Motion carries unanimously.

Item J: A motion was made and seconded (Chenault, Williams) to approve the proposed Long Range and Re-enactment guidelines. Motion carries unanimously. (Click on links to view guidelines)

Item K: Marshal Dave Scott set the time and place of the 30th NCOWS Congress Meeting at February 15, 2008, 7:00 p.m at the Reardon Convention Center in Kansas City, Kansas.

Item L: It was moved and seconded (Bursovsky, Tatham) that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carries unanimously.

Minutes of the 30th NCOWS Territorial Congress
February 15, 2008
Reardon Civic Center
Kansas City, Kansas

Marshal Scott called the meeting to order, 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15 2008

Present: Territorial Senators; **Rob Brannon, Jack Bursovsky, Robert Chenault, Herb Gindulis, John Irons, Dave Scott, Mike Tatham, John Torrence, George Warnick**, Territorial Representatives; **Glenn Burley, Steve Coop, Bob Dorian, Pete Ersland, Rob Fulcher, Dave Howrey, Troy Lytle, Jim Mullins, Karen Weber.**

Present by Proxy: Territorial Senators; **Jim Boeke, John Covert, George Glenn**, (George Glenn's votes will not be counted as his Proxy was received too late to be used.) **Duane Hartwig, Tracy Thorpe, Dave Williams** Territorial Representatives; **Rose Calloway** (Covered Bridge Shootists), **Bill Proctor** (Scarlet Mask Vigilance Society), **Roger Schultz** (Border Regulators), **Thomas Spanton** (Wisconsin Old West Shootists).

Absent: Territorial Representatives; **Richard Smith** (Lonesome Pine Pistoleros)

Guests: Jay Williams, Al Harris, and many others whose names I can't recall.

Swearing in of new Territorial Senators and Territorial Representatives: **Rob Brannon, Bob Dorian, John Irons, Dave Scott, Mike Tatham, and George Warnick** were sworn in.

Election of Officers: It was moved and seconded (**Ersland, Dorian**) to accept the nominations by acclamation of the following officers.

Marshal: **Dave Scott**

Deputy: **Mike Tatham**

Judge: **John Torrence**

Secretary: **Jack Bursovsky**

Banker: **John Irons**

Motion carries unanimously.

Rob Brannon was elected as the Senate Delegate.

Steve Coop was elected as the Representative Delegate.

It was moved and seconded (**Dorian, Chenault**) to approve the minutes of the 29th NCOWS Territorial Congress as read. Motion carries unanimously

Officers Reports:

It was moved and seconded (**Chenault, Fulcher**) to approve the Bankers report as read. Motion carries unanimously.

The 2007 financial review report was given by Al Weaver.

Editor, **George Warnick** gave a brief report on the magazine.

Mike Tatham reported that he has finished the rough draft on “How to form a Posse”.

Secretary **Bursovsky** gave the Secretary’s report. He stated that as of February 10, 2008 NCOWS has 930 members. He also stated that NCOWS has lost three Posses since the July Congress Meeting. They were the Beaver Creek Social Club, The Hat Creek Regulators and The Fort Des Moines Rangers. Bursovsky also stated that it looked like NCOWS may be getting a new Posse in Alaska. Bursovsky also stated that the chances were good for one other new Posse in the Midwest.

Marshal **Dave Scott** in his report stated that it looked good for a new Posse in California and a new Posse in Long Island, New York.

Old Business:

It was moved and seconded (**Bursovsky, Ersland**) to allow the use of all big bore rifles made and used within the time period between 1865-1899, such as Krag, and 1895 Winchester among others, as a side-match or long range rifle. Such rifles would be shot at paper targets using the velocities and bullets that they were designed for. Posses would have the option of offering this side-match or long range event as they choose.

It was moved and seconded (**Gindulis, Bursovsky**) to amend the original motion as follows. to allow the use of all big bore rifles made and used within the time period between 1865-1899, such as Krag, and 1895 Winchester among others, as a side-match or long range rifle. Such rifles would be shot at paper or metal targets as appropriate, using the velocities and bullets that they were designed for. Posses would have the option of offering this side-match or long range event as they choose. Motion **carries** unanimously.

It was moved and seconded (**Chenault, Bursovsky**) to amend the motion as follows. (to allow the use of all rifles made and used within the time period between 1865-1899, such as Krag, and 1895 Winchester among others, as a side-match or long range rifle. Such rifles would be shot at paper or metal targets as appropriate, using the velocities and bullets that they were designed for. Posses would have the option of offering this side-match or long range event as they choose. Motion **carries** unanimously.

The motion as amended now reads (NCOWS will allow the use of all rifles made and used within the time period between 1865-1899, such as Krag, and 1895 Winchester among others, as a side-match or long range rifle. Such rifles would be shot at paper or metal targets as appropriate, using the velocities and bullets that they were designed for. Posses would have the option of offering this side-match or long range event as they choose. **Voting Yes:** (Scott for Boeke), Brannon, Burley, Bursovsky, (Bursovsky for Calloway), Chenault, (Bursovsky for Covert), Dorian, Ersland, Fulcher, Gindulis, Irons, Lytle, Mullins, (Chenault for Proctor), (Irons for Schultz), Scott, (Scott for Spanton), (Irons for Thorpe), Torrence, Warnick, Weber (23) **Voting No:** Coop, (Scott for Williams) (2) Abstain: Howrey, Tatham(2) Motion **carries**.

Rob Fulcher gave a brief report on the upcoming 2008 NCOWS National Shoot. The dates are June 5, 6, and 7 2008. The National Shoot will be held at Evansville, Indiana.

New Business:

Steve Coop gave a report on the Sub-Junior Shooters Committee recommendations. The recommendations by this committee will be attached to the back of the Minutes.

Item A: Banker John Irons discussed the meeting with Lockton Insurance Company about the different options for Posse Insurance. He also stated that he will look into rates with different insurance companies.

Item B: Banker Irons stated that due to certain major purchases that are not yearly expenses such as brochures and NCOWS window stickers and the expense of the NRA Convention, that it looked like NCOWS had falling revenue. However he stated that he was not too concerned with it at this point. Editor Warnick also stated that he had just billed advertisers and that a major chunk of money should be coming in from that. Banker Irons then asked for an informal vote from the Congress on whether or not NCOWS should continue to pay for all the Posse insurance reimbursement or just the base policy cost as outlined in the by-laws. The congress voted overwhelmingly for NCOWS to continue providing full reimbursement to the Posse, with the lone dissent coming from Senator Bursovsky.

Item C: It was moved and seconded (**Bursovsky, Dorian**) to amend Safety and Procedure Rules (shaded areas below are existing bylaw wording. Proposed changes are underlined (new) or crossed out (removed)) No squib or magnum velocity loads. No jacketed bullets, only cast lead alloy bullets, except for Side-matches and Long-Range events as approved by the hosting Posse. Shot is to be lead only, and no larger than #7 1/2's. Only cartridges and velocities approved in The Tally Book are allowed. Shooters may be held responsible for damage caused to a target by too "hot" a load. Motion **carries** unanimously.

Item D: It was moved and seconded (**Chenault, Ersland**) to offer a reduction in membership dues if the renewal is for more than one year, somewhat like the NRA does on its two, three and five year memberships. The executive committee can determine by what amount to reduce the fee. **Voting Yes:** (Scott for Hartwig), (Chenault for Proctor), (Irons for Shultz), (Scott for Spanton), Warnick (5) **Voting No:** (Scott for Boeke), Brannon, Burley, Bursovsky, (Bursovsky for Calloway), Chenault, Coop, Dorian, Ersland, Fulcher, Gindulis, Irons, Lytle, Mullins, Scott, Tatham, Torrence, Weber, (Scott for Williams) (19) Abstain: (Bursovsky for Covert), Howrey (2) Motion **Fails**.

Item E: It was moved and seconded (**Chenault, Dorian**) to offer a reduced life membership to those 60 and older...again like the NRA does, and pay on a monthly schedule until paid for. **Voting Yes:** (Chenault for Proctor), (Irons for Schultz), (Scott for Spanton), (Irons for Thorpe),(4) **Voting No:** (Scott for Boeke), Brannon, Burley, Bursovsky, (Bursovsky for Calloway), Chenault, Coop, (Bursovsky for Covert), Dorian, Ersland, Fulcher, Gindulis, (Scott for Hartwig), Irons, Lytle, Mullins, Scott, Tatham, Torrence, Warnick, Weber, (Scott for Williams)(22) Abstain Howrey (1) Motion **Fails**.

Item F: A motion to add By-law 9-5 stating the following: Any new Posse that has 12 or more dues paying NCOWS members shall after initiating the request for a premium application from said such insurance provider, and after filling out said such application with the required information and then forward it to the Executive Committee for approval and payment to the said such insurance provider.(**Proctor**) **Motion was withdrawn.**

Item G: A motion to amend Appendix A Line 13. (shaded areas below are existing bylaw wording. Proposed changes are underlined (new) or crossed out (removed)) Course of fire will be the same during the match as other shooters using two firearms. Reloads may be required, and the use of a shotgun or revolver to engage rifle targets, may be dictated by the participant's choice of firearms. So

that no advantage or disadvantage may be created, there shall be no pistol reloads in this class.

(Tatham) Motion was withdrawn.

Item H: It was moved and seconded (**Torrence, Ersland**) to approve the following list of calibers, plus any already approved post 1900 calibers, plus the .44 Henry Flat cf.

List of pre-1900 US and common foreign (mostly British) cartridges:

230 Revolver 1890's	360 S. Revolver 1882	410 S. Revolver 1870's
45 Webley 1876	297 Long rev 1880's	360 Mars 1895
410 Revolver 1880's	45 Webley MII 1876	30 Borchardt 1880's
38 S&W 1877	430 Revolver 1870's	45 Colt 1873
30 Mauser 1893	38 COlt Police 1877	430 L. Revolver 1870's
45 Schofield 1875	300 Revolver 1880's	38 S. Colt 1875
430 JDJ 1870's	45 Bland #1 1875	32 Long 1875
38 L. Colt 1875	44 S&W Russian 1870	45 Mars Long 1895
32 S&W 1878	38-44 S&W 1886	44 S&W American 1869
450 Long Rev. 1880's	32 H&R 1884	38 Colt Army 1886
44 M&W 1877	450 Boxer 1890's	32 M&H L. 1884
38 Colt Navy 1886	44 Webley 1868	450 Colty Adams 1865
32 M&H 1883	38 Long CF 1875	44 Bulldog 1880
455 Enfield/Colt 1892	32 Webley 1883	38 AMU 1875
44 Colt 1871	455 Webley/Eley 1897	32 L. Colt 1875
38 M&H 1881	44 Rem. Army 1876	476 Enfield/Eley 1880
32 S. Colt 1875	380 Ex. Short 1886	44 Nagant 1876
50 Rem. Army 1871	32 Protector 1880's	380 Revolver 1872
44 WCF (44-40) 1873	500 Revolver 1870's	320 Revolver 1870
380 L. Rev. 1872	440 Revolver 1882	500 Irish Const. 1880's
32 L. Rev. 1882	38-40 Win. 1874	440 L. Revolver 1880's
577 Enfield,Eley 1868	32 WCF (32-20)1882	41 L. Colt 1877
442 L. Revolver 1882	32-44 S&W 1867	41 S. Colt 1875
442 Revolver 1868	360 #5 Rev. 1870's	442 R.I.C. 1868
41 S. Colt long case 1880's		

And a new copy of an original rf 44 Henry flat cf

Voting Yes: (Irons for Schultz), (Irons for Thorpe)(2) **Voting No:** (Scott for Boeke), Brannon, Burley, Bursovsky, (Bursovsky for Calloway), Chenault, Coop, (Bursovsky for Covert), Dorian, Ersland, Fulcher, Gindulis, (Scott for Hartwig), Irons, Lytle, Mullins, (Chenault for Proctor), Scott, (Scott for

Spanton), Tatham, Torrence, Warnick, Weber, (Scott for Williams) (24) **Abstain:** Howrey (1) Motion **Fails.**

Item I: It was moved and seconded (**Bursovsky, Ersland**) to hold the 2009 NCOWS Convention at the Reardon Civic Center in Kansas City Kansas, March 20, 21, and 22, 2009. Motion **carries** unanimously.

Item J: The Executive Committee will be soliciting Poses for bids to hold the 2009 NCOWS National Shoot. Rowdy Fulcher from the Crab Orchard Cowboys has indicated that they would probably be willing to host the shoot the first weekend of June in 2009. The Executive Committee will make this decision at a later date.

Item K: It was moved and seconded (**Chenault, Bursovsky**) to hold the 31st NCOWS Congress Meeting at Jim Boeke's facility in McGregor, Iowa on the last weekend of July.

It was moved and seconded (**Burley, Bursovsky**) to amend the motion by striking out the date. Motion carries unanimously.

The amended motion now reads to hold the 31st NCOWS Congress Meeting at Jim Boeke's facility in McGregor, Iowa. **Voting Yes:** (Scott for Boeke), Burley, Bursovsky, (Bursovsky for Calloway), Chenault, (Bursovsky for Covert), Ersland, (Scott for Hartwig), Irons, Lytle, (Chenault for Proctor), Scott, Weber (13) **Voting No:** Brannon, Coop, Dorian, Fulcher, Gindulis, Mullins, Tatham, Torrence, Warnick (9) **Abstain: Howrey,** (Irons for Shultz), (Scott for Spanton), (Irons for Thorpe), (Scott for Williams).(5) Motion **carries.**

It was moved and seconded (**Bursovsky, Chenault**) to adjourn the meeting. Motion **carries** unanimously.

NCOWS APPRENTICE-YOUTH PROGRAM

The goal of this committee is to establish an Apprentice-Youth program which will act through Posse mentors to train and educate sub-12 year olds to become safe, responsible and involved members of NCOWS.

Committee List: Karen Steiger
Rose Calloway
Jack Bursovsky
Bob Chenault
Steve Coop (chair)

Apprentice-Youth Standing Committee Request—The members of this committee request that NCOWS establish a standing Apprentice-Youth Committee to facilitate and develop this program. This committee, once established, will be made up of Apprentice-Youth Mentors to act as volunteers to both administer and develop the program at the posse level. Additionally, one or more Executive Board members will be needed on the committee as they deem necessary.

Apprentice-Youth Requirements: The requirements for a youth to participate in the program are as follows: 1) under 12 years of age

2) parent/guardian must be an NCOWS member in good standing

3) to shoot, they must present an approved Hunter Safety Education Certificate from their state of residence and be approved by the Mentor and Range Safety Officer/Posse Marshal

Apprentice-Youth Mentors: Will be selected by each participating Posse. These will be the members that will actually run the program at the posse level and work in combination with the parent/guardian to train and educate the Apprentice-Youth. They should be experienced members of NCOWS who are familiar with the NCOWS Bylaws, safety guidelines and their Posse' range rules. They should also possess the ability to work with youth of this age and develop an effective training and Old West educational program for the individual Apprentice-Youth. They will additionally serve as members on the Apprentice-Youth Committee.

Parent/Guardian: Must be a current NCOWS member. They will work in conjunction with the Mentor to allow their child to learn all aspects of the Apprentice-Youth Program. Their ongoing participation with the Apprentice-Youth and the Mentor is required throughout the program

Posse: The participating posse leadership will work with the mentor to assist in the administration of the program. The Posse will be responsible to request a greenhorn/.22 specialty shoot or side match variance for all events (Posse level, Regional or National Shoot) involving the program.

**Revised MINUTES OF THE 31ST TERRITORIAL CONGRESS OF
THE NATIONAL CONGRESS OF OLD WEST SHOOTISTS
Reardon Civic Center, Kansas City, Kansas
March 20, 2009**

Marshall Scott called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given

A special presentation of “petit fors” was made to George Warnick by representatives of the Ladies Tea

Marshall Scott read a letter of resignation from Senator James Boeke.

It was moved and seconded (**Dorian/Ersland**) that the runner up in recent senate election, Jerry Barnes, be appointed to fulfill the remainder of Boeke’s term. **Motion carried**

Tom Snow was recognized as the provisional representative of the Phoenix Irregular Guard.

Roll call was taken:

Present: **Senators;** Brannon, Chenault, Covert, Fulcher, Irons, Scott, Tatham, Torrence, Warnick. **Representatives;** Burley (Western Iowa border Agents), Coop, (Great Lakes Freight & Mining Co.), Dorian, (Kansas Vigilance Committee), Ersland, (Hickory Hills Regulators), Lytle, (Blue River Regulators), Mullins (Johnson County Regulators) Proctor, (Scarlet Mask Society), Spanton, (Wisconsin Old West Shootists).

Present by Proxies: **Senators:** Bursovsky, Glenn, Hartwig, & Williams. **Representatives:** Abels (Phoenix Irregular Guard), Beechler (Texas Ten Horns), Ellison, (Hat Creek Regulators), Howrey, (Wood River Horse Thieves), Smith, (Lonesome Pines Pistoleros)

Absent, without proxies: **Senators:** Thorpe (Jerry Barnes (see above) was absent but excused.) **Representatives:** Calloway, (Covered Bridge Shootists), Schultz (Border regulators).

Marshall Scott called for nominations for new officers. Motion was made, (Dorian/Coop) that the current officers be retained. **Motion carried.**

Scott called for nominations to fill office of Secretary left vacant, as Bursovsky did not seek re-election. Warnick nominated Pete Ersland, Coop 2nd Motion **carried.** Ersland elected.

Old Business:

Minutes of 30th Congress were approved as presented.

Banker Irons read his reports. The report was reviewed and pronounced sound by financial reviewers: Jim Stephens (KY), Wayne Stevens (IA), Don Layton (IN).

Chenault moved and Covert 2nd that Bankers report be approved as read. **Motion carried.**

With assurances from Banker Irons that all requirements had been met, two new posses, the Texas Ten Horns and the Hat Creek Regulators (resurrected posse) were approved.

Western Iowa Border Agents withdrawing from NCOWS effective June 15, 2009, per Glen Burlely.

Rep. Fulcher discussed the 2009 national shoot.

New Business:

Item A: It was moved and seconded (**Ersland, Dorian**) to approve the guidelines for the Youth-Apprenticeship Program. These are:

- 1) Under 12 years of age
- 2) Parent/guardian must be an NCOWS member in good standing
- 3) To shoot, they must present an approved Hunter Safety Education Certificate from their state of residence and be approved by the Mentor and Range Safety Officer/Posse Marshal

Apprentice-Youth Mentors: Will be selected by each participating Posse. These will be the members that will actually run the program at the posse level and work in combination with the parent/guardian to train and educate the Apprentice-Youth. They should be experienced members of NCOWS who are familiar with the NCOWS Bylaws, safety guidelines and their Posse' range rules. They should also possess the ability to work with youth of this age and develop an effective training and Old West educational program for the individual Apprentice-Youth. They will additionally serve as members on the Apprentice-Youth Committee.

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Posse: The participating posse leadership will work with the mentor to assist in the administration of the program. The Posse will be responsible to request a greenhorn/.22 specialty shoot or side match variance for all events (Posse level, Regional or National Shoot) involving the program.

Motion carried by voice vote with John Irons voting Nay.

Item B: It was moved and seconded (**Dorian/ Proctor**) to form a standing committee for the Youth-Apprenticeship Program. **Motion carried** with Irons & Bursovsky (proxy) voting Nay.

Item C: It was moved and seconded (**Chenault/Covert** to amend Article V Section 5.05 (shaded areas below are existing bylaw wording. Proposed changes are underlined (new) or crossed out(removed)) For purposes of a Territorial Congress, a quorum shall be not less than half of the full number of Territorial Senators and Representatives, proxies being counted for this purpose. All proxies must be announced at the start of the meeting. Proxies may be general or specific in nature, and will be sent to the Marshal or Secretary no less than five (5) days prior to the Territorial Congress. For the purpose of voting, a majority--unless otherwise specified--means a simple majority consisting of fifty-one percent (51%) of the total votes present and voting. Each member of the Board of Directors shall have one vote. The affirmative vote of the majority of the members of the Board present and voting shall authorize any action voted upon unless otherwise provided in these Articles. **Motion carried** by roll call vote: 15 to 8 with 2 abstaining.

Aye- Beechler, Bursovsky, Chenault, Covert, Dorian, Ellison, Ersland, Fulcher, Glenn, Hartwig, Mullins, Proctor, Scott, Smith, Spanton. **Nay-** Abels, Brannon, Coop, Irons, Lytle, Tatham, Torrence, Warnick. **Abstain-** Burley, Williams

Item D It was moved and seconded (**Fulcher/ Beechler**) to add the 1876 Winchester replicas, made by Uberti and Chaparral Arms to the Approved List of firearms. **Passed unanimously**

Item E: A motion was made and seconded (**Beechler/Fulcher**) amend By-Law 10-1 shaded areas below are existing bylaw wording. Proposed changes are underlined (new) or crossed out (removed)) All NCOWS shooting classes, as established by By-Law, must be made available to all shooters at each National, Regional or Charter Posse Shoot. These classes shall be:

Men's and Women's Smokeless Shootist: Shooters may shoot smokeless powder and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip

Men's and Women's Blackpowder Shootist: Shooters must shoot blackpowder or approved blackpowder substitute powder in all firearms except those chambered for rimfire cartridges, and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip. Shotguns may NOT include any model of pump shotgun.

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Men's and Women's Pistoleer: Shooters are restricted to the use of percussion revolvers, pre-1873 percussion or original/authentic reproductions of rimfire cartridge pocket pistols, exposed-hammer double-barrel shotguns (percussion or cartridge), and reproduction or original pre-1873 pistol-caliber repeating rifles (e.g. 1860 Henry, Spencer, 1866 Winchester, etc: Shooters must shoot blackpowder or approved blackpowder substitute powder in all firearms except those chambered for rimfire cartridges. Pistols and revolvers must be shot one-handed. Pistoleer shooters will shoot the same course of fire as the other competitors except that in a stage requiring more than two shotgun rounds the Pistoleer shooter would not be required to shoot the extra rounds.

Men's and Women's Seniors: Shall be open to those over age 60 only, may use any of the above shooting styles.

Men's and Women's Elder: Shall be open to those over the age of 70 only, may use any of the above shooting styles.

Boy's and Girl's Juniors: Shall be open to those age 12 to 17 only, may use any of the above shooting styles.

Men's and Women's Working Cowboy: Shooter uses one pistol and one pistol caliber rifle. Smokeless or Black Powder cartridges may be used. No gun carts are to be used at any time. Pistol may be fired with one or two hands.

Men and Women's Originals: Shooter uses two (2) guns, any combination of NCOWS approved firearms to complete the course of fire. Must have three (3) originals present to have the class. For complete rules and regulations see Appendix A at the back of the Tally Book.

Men and Woman's Range Detective: Shooter uses two (2) NCOWS approved revolvers and an NCOWS approved rifle to complete the same course of fire as four (4) gun shooters. No shotgun is required. Shooter may use either smokeless or blackpowder and may shoot either shootist or duelist.

In addition to these classes, Chartered Clubs and special events may offer additional classes

Motion failed 4 to 21 after roll call vote. **Aye** - Abels, Beecher, Coop, Fulcher. **(4) Nay** - Brannon,

Bursovsy, Chenault, Covert, Dorian, Ellison, Ersland, Glenn, Hartwig, Howrey, Irons, Lytle, Mullins, Proctor, Scott, Smith, Spanton, Tatham, Torrence, Warnick, Williams. (21) **Abstain** Burley.

Item F It was moved and seconded (**Tatham, Dorian**), to amend By-Law 10-1. The shaded areas below are existing bylaw wording. Proposed changes are underlined (new) or crossed out (removed)) All NCOWS shooting classes, as established by By-Law, must be made available to all shooters at each National, Regional or Charter Posse Shoot. These classes shall be:

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Men and Women's Originals: Shooter uses two(2) guns, any combination of NCOWS approved firearms to complete the course of fire. Shooter must shoot revolver duelist style. There will be no revolver reloads for this class. Must have three(3) originals present to have the class. For complete rules and regulations see Appendix A at the back of the Tally Book.

In addition to these classes, Chartered Clubs and special events may offer additional classes so long as they adhere to the general outline of these By-Laws.

A motion to amend was made and seconded (**Chenault/Fulcher**) to read, “unless two revolvers are used” **Amendment carried by roll call vote. Aye:** Beechler, Chenault, Dorian, Ellison, Ersland, Fulcher, Proctor, Scott, Spanton, Tatham, Torrence. (11) **Nay:** Abels, Brannon, **Covert**, Irons, Lytle, Mullins, Smith, Warnick (8) **Abstain** -Burley, Bursovsky, Coop, Glenn, Hartwig, Howery, Williams (7)

Main Motion (as amended) failed 5 to 16 after roll call vote. **Aye:** Dorian, Ellison, Ersland, Tatham, Torrence (5). **Nay:** Abels, Brannon, Bursovsky, Chenault, Covert, Fulcher, Glenn, Hartwig, Howery, Lytle, Mullins, Proctor, Smith, Spanton, Warnick, Williams. (16) **Abstain** -Beechler, Burley, Coop, Irons, Scott (5)

Item G: It was moved and seconded (**Torrance/Tatham**) to amend By-Law 10-1 shaded areas below are existing bylaw wording. Proposed changes are underlined (new) or crossed out (removed)) All NCOWS shooting classes, as established by By-Law, must be made available to all shooters at each National, Regional or Charter Posse Shoot. These classes shall be:

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Men’s and Women’s Working Cowboy: Shooter uses one pistol and one pistol caliber rifle. ~~Smokeless or Black Powder cartridges may be used.~~ Working Cowboy will be divided into the

following separate divisions:

Men and Women's Black Powder Shootist.

Men and Women's Black Powder Duelist

Men and Women's Smokeless Shootist

Men and Women's Smokeless Duelist

No gun

carts are to be used at any time. ~~Pistol may be fired with one or two hands.~~

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In addition to these classes, Chartered Clubs and special events may offer additional classes so long as they adhere to the general outline of these By-Laws.

Motion failed 4 to 21 after roll call vote. **Aye:** Beechler, Spanton, Tatham, Torrence. **(4) Nay:** Brannon, Bursovsky, Chenault, Coop, Covert, Dorian, Ellison, Ersland, Fulcher, Glenn, Hartwig, Howery, Irons, Lytle, Mullins, Proctor, Scott, Smith, Warnick, Williams. **(21) Abstain-**Burley.

Item H: It was moved and seconded (**Covert/Brannon**) to amend By-Law 10-1 shaded areas below are existing bylaw wording. Proposed changes are underlined (new) or crossed out (removed)) All NCOWS shooting classes, as established by By-Law, must be made available to all shooters at each National, Regional or Charter Posse Shoot. These classes shall be:

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Men's and Women's Working Cowboy: Shooter uses one pistol and one pistol caliber rifle. Smokeless or Black Powder cartridges may be used. Class will be split into the following categories
Traditional(Blackpowder Duelist)

Open (all other combinations of powder and hold)

No gun carts are to be used at any time. ~~Pistol may be fired with one or two hands.~~

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Motion Failed 8 to 15 with 3 abstentions after a roll call vote. **Aye:** Brannon, Covert, Dorian, Ellison, Proctor, Spanton, Tatham, Torrence. **Nay:** Abels, Beechler, Bursovsky, Chenault, Coop, Ersland, Fulcher, Glenn, Hartwig, Irons, Lytle, Mullins, Smith, Warnick, Williams, **Abstain** -Burley, Howrey, Scott

Item I: It was moved and seconded (**Coop/Dorian**) to add to the Disapproved List of firearms the following: 1: Beretta Renegade (a 1873 Winchester replica) Motion **carried unanimously**

Item J: It was moved and seconded (**Covert/Torrance**) to add to the Approved List of firearms, the following: 1: Reproduction Peabody Rifle made by Providence Tool Company. **Motion carried unanimously**

Item K: A motion to amend By-Law 1-3 shaded areas below are existing bylaw wording. Proposed changes are underlined (new) or crossed out(removed)) Charter Club Membership. Charter Clubs will be known as Posses. Any organization or shooting club wishing to become a Posse of the National Congress of Old West Shootists may apply for Charter Membership, which shall be granted when that organization has satisfied the Territorial Congress that it adheres to and will abide by the purpose, goals, rules and regulations of the National Congress of Old West Shootists in the conduct of National Congress of Old West Shootists-sanctioned activities. All Posse events shall be sanctioned events and shall adhere to all bylaws and regulations. Any posse wishing to vary from the rules and regulations must petition the Executive Committee for a specific waiver for that event. Said petition shall include detailed statements of need and justification for the waiver. Each Posse shall be free to set its own standards of membership within the limits set by the National Congress of Old West Shootists. New Posses will pay a \$35.00 Charter Fee. Posse Charters are renewable on an annual (1 January - 31 December) basis. The yearly renewal fee is \$35.00. Renewal forms, including a current Posse membership list with NCOWS Membership numbers and list of officers shall be ~~returned~~ **submitted** to the National office by 1 January of each year. At least fifty per cent (50%) of the members and 100% of the officers of any Posse must be active, dues-paying members of the National Congress of Old West Shootists. After their first year and thereafter Posses must maintain

a minimum membership of five (5) members to remain an active posse and must maintain a minimum of twelve (12) members to receive insurance benefits. (See also By-Law 9). Posse may be reimbursed up to one hundred dollars (\$100) per year for their advertising of NCOWS Posse events. This reimbursement can be for media ads or for table rental at gun shows where the Posse promotes NCOWS. Receipts for such paid advertising can be submitted to the NCOWS Banker. All Posse must carry a minimum of \$1000,000 liability insurance policy, said insurance policy must carry NCOWS as an additional insured. In cases where a Posse is sharing insurance with another organization, both NCOWS and the NCOWS Posse must be carried as an addition insured. And Posse must provide copies of such insurance policies to the NCOWS Banker and Secretary whether they are participating in the insurance reimbursement or not. Posse not meeting these requirements shall not have their representative recognized at the next Territorial Congress Meeting. Posse shall have 30 days after written notice to meet these requirements or face having their Posse Charter revoked. **Motion withdrawn.**

Item L: A motion was made and seconded (**Covert,Irons**) to amend By-Law 9: Insurance

9-1. All posse shall be required to maintain liability insurance coverage as provided by ~~this by-law~~ these by-laws and to the level established by NCOWS.

9-4. NCOWS will reimburse Posse for at least the basic minimum charge for such liability insurance if they have and maintain 100% NCOWS membership. Posse with less than 100% NCOWS membership will be reimbursed at one-half the current rate.

9-5 For Posse that share insurance with another organization, NCOWS will reimburse Posse for the basic charges incurred for adding NCOWS and the NCOWS Posse as additional insured to the insurance policy if they have and maintain 100% NCOWS membership. Posse with less than 100% NCOWS membership would be reimbursed for one-half those charges.

Shaded text is existing by-law wording. Struck-out text is to be removed. Underlined text is to be added. **Motion withdrawn.**

Item M: A motion was made and seconded (**Lytle/Chenault**) to purge the 1866 and 1873 rifles in .32 H&R Magnum from the approved list. The rifles were never manufactured by Uberti (or anyone else) and the project was abandoned by them due to problems with feeding **Motion carried unanimously**

Item N: Discussion of the summer Congress Meeting. It was determined that this should be left to the Executive. Committee's discretion as to whether it would be needed or not and, if so, to set a date and place. The Congress also agreed that it would be acceptable to address individual issues and actions via e-mail notification and balloting if necessary

Item O: Discussion of the 2010 Convention. Motion was made and seconded (**Covert/Fulcher**) that the convention return to Reardon Civic Center in Kansas City Kansas. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Item P: Discussion of the 2010 National Shoot. It was decided by unanimous vote to again have the shoot at the Westside Sportsmen's Club in Evansville, Indiana. The site of the '08 & '09 National shoots

Item Q A motion to adjourn was made and seconded (**Tatham, Dorian**) **Motion carried unanimously.** **The meeting was adjourned**

**Revised MINUTES OF THE 32nd TERRITORIAL CONGRESS OF
THE NATIONAL CONGRESS OF OLD WEST SHOOTISTS
Reardon Civic Center, Kansas City, Kansas
March 20, 2010**

Marshall Scott called the congress to order at 7:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Marshall and Marshallette Halloway (Proprietors of the Cas City web site) were introduced.

Roll was called.

Senators present: Barnes, Bauer, Chenault, Covert, Ersland, Fulcher, Irons, Scott, Sonnen, Tatham, Torrence and Warnick.

Present by Proxy: Glenn, Hartwig and Whited.

Territorial Representatives present: Abels, Buck, Burgner, Coop, Davidson, Dorian, Lytle, Farmer, Owens and Spanton.

Present by Proxy: Abel, Beechler, Howery, Jacobson, Munger and Smith.

Not present: Davis

Marshall Scott asked if the new posse The Double M Cowboys should be approved. It was so voted.

Swearing in of new Territorial Senators and Territorial Representatives

Minutes of the previous Congress

2009 minutes were approved as corrected.

Banker's report was made by Banker John Irons was reviewed and pronounced sound by financial reviewers: Jeff Bailey, David Birk, and John Hoker

Motion to accept the bankers report was made by Tatham and seconded by Fulcher. Motion carried.

Reports from other officers.

Election of officers:

Marshal Dave Scott nominated by Dorian and was Abels moved that nominations be closed, Warnick, second. re-elected.

Deputy Marshal Mike Tatham nominated by Covert. Second by Buck, re-elected

Secretary Pete Ersland nominated by Warnick. Bob Chenault nominated by Fulcher. Ersland 16. Chenault 11. Ersland re-elected.

Banker John Irons nominated by Covert, second Owens. Nominations closed. Irons re-elected

Judge John Torrence nominated by Dorian. Bob Whited nominated by Proctor. Paper Ballot. Torrence 17, Whited 10. Torrence re-elected.

Senate Delegate John Covert and Bob Chenault were nominated but Chenault withdrew. Covert elected.

Representative Delegate Steve Coop was nominated and re-elected

Old Business:

The 2010 National Shoot will be again held at Evansville Indiana. Dates: June 2nd through the 5th.

New Business:

The question was raised that since the agenda hadn't been sent to the congress in the allotted amount of time that it was not a legal agenda. Marshal Scott said that with the approval of the members present the congress could proceed. Abels moved that we proceed and Warnick seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken:

Ayes: Abels, Barnes, Bauer, Beechler, Coop, Covert, Davidson, Dorian, Ersland, Fulcher, Howery, Irons, Lytle, Munger, Scott, Sonnen, Spanton, Tatham, Torrence, Warnick Whited, Bucks, Burgner.

Nays: Chenault, Glenn, Hartwig, Farmer, Owens, Smith.

Abstain: Abel, Jacobson.

Motion carried.

Proposal to amend Bylaw 1-1 by adding the following:
(Text to be added is underlined)

1-1. Any responsible person, 18 years of age or over, may become a full member of this organization after application and payment of the usual initiation fee and/or dues. Membership shall not be denied because of sex, age, religion, race, national origin or physical handicap.

NCOWS truly represents the period which it embraces. We recognize that this was a time when a man's word was his bond. It is our philosophy that the honor system is much preferable to micro-managing and over-legislation whenever possible. When an individual professes the desire to join our organization and participate in NCOWS events, local clubs typically work with new members, help them get their kit together and typically allow up to a year at the local or "posse" level to achieve "Level 1" authenticity as described by Marlan Ingram's "Three Levels of Authenticity" attached elsewhere in these bylaws. Participation at Regional or National events requires full adherence to NCOWS standards and bylaws regardless of membership duration.

Greg Sonnen Made the Motion, Dorian Second. Opened for discussion. Bryon Buck made a motion to amend. Len Abels Second. Abels called the motion but then withdrew that.

Bryan Bucks moved that the motion be amended to read:

"NCOWS truly represents the period, which it embraces. We recognize that this was a time when a man's word was his bond. It is our philosophy that the honor system is much preferable to legislation whenever possible. When an individual professes the desire to join our organization and participate in NCOWS events, local clubs work with new members, help them get their kit together and allow up to a year at the local or "posse" level to achieve "Level 1" authenticity as described by Marlan Ingram's "Three Levels of Authenticity" attached elsewhere in these bylaws. Participation at Regional or National events requires full adherence to NCOWS standards and bylaws regardless of membership duration."

This was added to the existing 1.1 following the words "physical handicap."

Len Abels seconded the motion. Motion passed as amended by voice vote.

Motion 1: Add the following to either the approved or unapproved list of NCOWS accepted

firearms.

Note: vote on A-F individually

A. 1851 Navy Colt, brass frame, round barrel (resembles the Griswold & Gunnison)

Tatham moved that it put on the DISAPPROVED list. Dorian second.

Roll Call:

Yeas. (14) Chenault, Dorian, Hartwig, Howery, Irons, Owens, Scott, Smith, Sonnen, Spanton, Tatham, Torrence Warnick, Whited.

Nays (15) Abel, Abels, Barnes, Bauer, Beechler, Covert, Davidson, Erslund, Fulcher, Glenn, Lytle, Mullins, Munger, Berger, Buck.

Abstain (1) Coop

Motion failed. 15 Nays, 14 Yeas.

The rest of the items in the motion:

B. 1851 Navy Colt, brass frame, hex-barrel (resembles Schneider & Glassick)

C. 1858 Remington, brass frame

D. Spiller & Burr brass frame (reproduction)

E. Rogers & Spencer (reproduction)

F. EMF Alchimista

Were removed from consideration after a motion to do so by Chenault, with Covert as second. Voice vote to do so carried the motion.

Motions by Torrence with a second by Sonnen:

.455 Webley Service Revolvers

Models to be allowed: Mark I, Mark II, Mark III, Mark IV, and Mark V.

Model to be disallowed: Mark VI

Motion by Robson/Torrence

Motion 3: other Webley Revolvers

Models to be allowed: R.I.C. (Royal Irish Constabulary), M.P.(Metropolitan Police), #1 1/2, #2, #4 (Webley-Pryse),#5 Express, Mark II Pocket, Improved Government (Patterns I, II, and III), Webley Government (including W.G., W.G. Army, and W.G. Target)

Model to be disallowed: W.S. model

Motion by Robson/Torrence

Motion 4: other British Revolvers

To be allowed: any pre-1900 design by makers such as Adams, Kerr, Tranter, Enfield Mark I & II .455/.476 service revolver

Motion by Robson/Torrence.

All Passed by voice vote

Agenda for 2010 Congress

Discussion of next Congress Meeting: Covert moved that the 2011 convention again be held in Kansas City at the Reardon Center. Chenault second. Motion carried with Dorian abstaining

Discussion of the 2011 Convention was held. Covert moved that the 2011 convention be again held Reardon Center in Kansas City. Chenault second. Approved by voice vote. (Dates to be announced)

2011 National Shoots will again be held in Evansville, Indiana. Dates June 2nd through the 5th.
Covert moved to adjourn. Second Fulcher.

Motion Carried. Marshal Scott adjourned the 32nd NCOWS Congress.

THE NATIONAL CONGRESS OF OLD WEST SHOOTISTS
Minutes of the 33rd Territorial Congress
March 18, 2011
NCOWS Convention, Reardon Center, Kansas City, KS

The Caucuses for election of Senatorial Representative and Territorial Representative Delegate were held, with results as listed:

Senatorial Rep. nominees were John Torrence and Rowdy Fulcher. Torrence : 9, Fulcher: 4.: Torrence elected.

Representative Delegate nominees were Bob Dorian and Jeff Farmer. Dorian: 3, Farmer: 7: Farmer elected.

The meeting was then called to order by Marshal Scott, at 7:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Roll called, and Senators present were: Chenault, Covert, Ersland, Irons, Scott, Tatham, Torrence. Senators Elect: Beechler, Ragland.

Present by Proxy: Barnes, Fulcher, Glenn, Hartwig, Sonnen, Whited.

Representatives present were: Abels, Davison, Dorian, Howrey, Jacobson, Lytle, Munger, Owen, Spanton, Ray.

Representatives Elect: Farmer, Graley, Lee.

Present by Proxy: Buck, Burgner, Howrey, Smith.

Absent: Abel, Davis, Hansen

A new posse, The Saluda Saddle Tramps, was recognized, their Representative seated, and welcomed to the Organization. Application for another new posse, The Cedar Valley Vigilance Committee was approved, contingent upon their obtaining liability insurance, and submitting proof to John Irons, Banker. Motion made by Dorian and seconded by Farmer. Passed with 1 dissent: Tatham, and 2 abstentions: Barnes, Burgner.

The next order of business was the swearing in of new Senators and Representatives:

Farmer, Lee, Ray, Graley, Beechler, Ragland, Scott, Tatham, Irons.

Minutes of 32nd Congress were presented by Ersland, and motion was made by Chenault, second by Dorian to accept as read. Motion carries.

Bankers report was presented by John Irons, and reviews were read from Greg Limbach and James Hunt. No discrepancies noted. Balance on hand as of 01/01/2011: \$21,142.45. Move to approve report as presented, Tatham, seconded by Ragland. Motion carries.

Secretary: Posses wishing to have a Certificate recognizing their charter may request one.

National Shoot: Judge received several stages for review.

Marshal: Marshal Scott is trying to get the Shootist on schedule. He desperately needs material for future issues. Contributions requested from any and all members. Meeting set up to talk with interested persons to discuss involvement. He plans to catch up issues by getting one out every 46 weeks, with the intent of being current by years end.

Recess for 10 minutes.

Session resumes at 8:00.

Election of Officers.

The nominating committee of Larry Little, Windy City Joe, and Bob Dorian reported their nominations:

Marshal: Dave Scott, **Deputy Marshal:** Mike Tatham, **Secretary:** Robert Chenault, **Judge:** Bob Whited, **Banker:** John Irons.

Marshal Scott reelected by acclamation.

Deputy Marshal: Tatham and Beechler were nominated. Nominations closed. Ballots cast. Tatham elected. Vote was 1811 with 2 abstentions.

Secretary: Chenault nominated. Motion to cease nomination by Ray, second by Dorian. Motion carries.

Banker: John Irons nominated, motion to close nominations by Covert, second by Owen. Motion carries.

Judge: Robert Whited and Bob Dorian nominated, move to close nominations by Ragland, second Tatham. Ballots cast. Votes : Dorian, 16; Whited, 13; 2 abstentions. Dorian is elected.

New Business:

Proposal A: Reform ByLaw Section 13.

Motion to adopt: Covert, second Tatham. Motion carries.

Proposal B: (B1, B2, B3) : Clarification of By-Law to incorporate unwritten requirements currently followed for new Posses by adding 13a5 (B1); 13a6 (B2); and 13a7 (B3). Motion to adopt by Tatham, second by Covert. Motion carries.

Proposal C: Unique Members; members must declare "Home Posse" for purposes of insurance . This is addition to By-Law 13b6.

C2: adds word *unique* to 13b4; C3: to 13a5.

Motion to approve made by Beechler, second Torrence. Motion carries.

Proposal to add new shooting class: Sodbuster. Similar to Working Cowboy, except one pistol and shotgun. Friendly amendment offered by Irons to separate class and team. Amendment accepted. Motion to adopt by Covert, second by Dorian. Discussion on implementation and shotgun type and pistol type.

Motion to table proposal pending further clarification and resolution of conflicts as proposed.

Covert, second Chenault. Roll call vote. Yes (to table) : Abels, Chenault, Ersland, Farmer, Fulcher, Glenn, Hartwig, Irons, Lee, Lytle, Munger, Owen, Scott, Smith, Spanton, Whited. Nay: Barnes, Beechler, Buck, Burgner, Covert, Davison, Dorian, Graley, Ragland, Sonnen, Tatham, Torrence. Abstain: Howrey, Jacobson.

Proposal tabled. Vote: Yes 16, Nay 11, Abstain 2

Proposal to change Originals class description to *one pistol and rifle*. by Tatham. Motion by Torrence, second by Dorian. Roll Call vote. Yes: Barnes, Buck, Burgner, Chenault, Covert, Davison, Dorian, Ersland, Fulcher, Glenn, Graley, Hartwig, Howrey, Lee, Munger, Ragland, Spanton, Tatham,

Torrence: Nay: Farmer, Lytle, Owen, Smith. Abstain: Abels, Beechler, Ray, Scott, Sonnen, Whited.
Motion carries, Yes 21, Nay 4, Abstain 6

Proposal B to change Originals Class by Tatham. To add requirement to shoot class duelist style.
Motion by Torrence, second by Dorian.

Amendment A to exempt women, amendment B to add medical/special needs to exemption. Roll call vote on Amendment B: Yes: Buck, Chenault, Ersland, Farmer, Fulcher, Glenn, Hartwig, Irons, Lee, Munger, Owen, Scott, Smith, Spanton, Whited. Nay: Barnes, Burgner, Covert, Davison, Dorian, Lytle, Ragland, Tatham, Torrence. Abstain: Abels, Beechler, Graley, Howrey, Jacobson, Ray, Sonnen.
Amendment B carries, 15-9-7.

Amendment A: Roll call vote: Yes: Chenault, Farmer, Fulcher, Lee, Smith, Spanton. No: Barnes, Burgner, Covert, Davison, Dorian, Ersland, Irons, Lytle, Munger, Owen, Tatham, Torrence, Ragland. Abstain: Abels, Beechler, Buck, Glenn, Graley, Hartwig, Howrey, Jacobson, Ray, Scott, Sonnen, Whited. Amendment A fails, 6-13-12.

Roll Call vote on Proposal B: Yes: Barnes, Beechler, Buck, Burgner, Dorian, Ersland, Glenn, Graley, Irons, Munger, Ragland, Tatham, Torrence. /o: Chenault, Covert, Davison, Farmer, Fulcher, Hartwig, Lee, Lytle, Owen, Scott, Smith, Spanton. Abstain: Abels, Howrey, Jacobson, Ray, Sonnen, Whited.
Motion Carries: 13-12-6.

Motion to have next Congress session at 2012 Convention. Dorian, seconded by Ray. Motion carries.

2012 Convention: Tatham has made up a Hooplehead's Guide, for guidance in planning and implementation of Conventions. Proposal to host 2012 National Convention by Johnson County Rangers, to be held at Paroquet Springs Convention Centre, Louisville, Ky. Dates to be March 16, 17, 18.

Motion to accept by Ersland, second by Lee. Approved.

National Shoot will be Wed.Sat., June 8-11, 2011. Request Proposals for National Shoot 2012.

Discussion on Proxy system.

Proposal to host Eastern Regional Shoot by Johnson County Rangers.

Motion to adjourn by Len Abels, second Lee.

Congress adjourned.

THE NATIONAL CONGRESS OF OLD WEST SHOOTISTS

Minutes of the 34th Congress,

Shepherdsville KY,

March 16, 2012

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Marshall Scott called the congress to order at 7:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Roll was called.

Senators present: Ted Beechler, Bryan Buck, Robert Chenault, Pete Ersland, John Irons, Celeste Mullins, Roger Ragland, Joe Ray, Dave Scott, Mike Tatham, John Torrence

Present by Proxy: Jerry Barnes, Robert Dorian, Greg Sonnen

Absent: Robert Whited

Territorial Representatives present: John Covert, Bill Cunningham, Gary Davison, Jeff Farmer, David Graley, Dave Lee, Mike Owen, Mark Smith, Thomas Spanton, Paul Swalina, Jim Stephens

Present by Proxy: Len Abels, Dennis Burgner, Larry Davis, Lynn Evans, Paul Jacobson, Duke Munger, Steve Jackson

Absent: Dave Howrey, Dave Williams

From the Caucus, Mullins elected Senate Delegate, Farmer Territorial Representative Delegate

Installation of New Senators and Representatives

Swearing in of new Territorial Senators and Territorial Representatives

Election of Officers

Marshal, Dave Scott

Deputy Marshal, Ted Beechler

Banker, John Irons

Secretary, Bryan Buck

All were elected unanimously.

Judge election candidates held by secret ballot, Roger Ragland 24 votes, Robert Whited 8 votes.

Judge, Roger Ragland

Presentation of Minutes of the 33rd Congress

2011 were read by Robert Chenault. Dave Scott recommended the reading be suspended as they were already published. Tatham moved the minutes should be accepted as published. Ragland seconded the motion,

Motion carried unanimously

Bankers Report

Banker's report was made by Banker John Irons was reviewed and pronounced sound by financial reviewers: Lyndy Kouns, Jeff Bailey and Dutch Limbach. Also in the Banker's report was the state of the insurance, which the banker is still working on with new quotes requested.

Motion to accept the bankers report was made by Tatham and seconded by Ersland. *Motion carried unanimously*

Reports from Other Officers

The Secretary's report was made by the outgoing Secretary Chenault. The Secretary's report included the news that the Convention was at the break-even point as early as Friday night, the first day of the Convention.

Deputy Marshal's Report

Given by outgoing Deputy Marshal Tatham. Tatham thanked Congress for assistance during his term. He announced there would be a downloadable Hooplehead document in the Downloads section on the NCOWS web site.

Marshal's Report

Marshal Scott gave a report for the organization consisting of three parts

1. Membership – Scott reported that there was a growing success in acquiring new posses.
2. Membership concern – growing the number of posses did not necessarily equate to new memberships. He encouraged all present to work with new NCOWS memberships within the existing posses as well.
3. *The Shootist* Magazine – we did not meet our expectations of “catching up”, but the magazine is strong again. The duties need to be split up, though. We need a new Editor (Acting is Dave Scott), Advertising Manager and Managing Editor. We also need to change the publication frequency. We cannot produce 6/year reliably with the staff we have. Scott recommended that it become quarterly, with the seasons. It will save 33% of the cost and increase the time to prepare each issue. We can supplement information through an electronic newsletter. Tatham volunteered to be the Advertising Executive. Scott also called for additional articles from the membership.

Old Business

Report on 2012 Convention

Bob Chenault reported the Convention was at the break-even point as early as Friday night, the first day of the Convention.

Insurance Issues

Our current insurance agencies carrier (Northland Insurance) has been purchased by Traveler's Insurance and will no longer be insuring shooting clubs or ranges. Banker Irons is in process of getting quotes from four different agencies.

Shootist Magazine Concerns

Temporary Editor Scott reported that the Shootist will be going to a quarterly schedule; newsletter and email will be used in between issues if urgent information is needed by the membership.

There was no other old business

Congress took a break at this point.

New Business

1. Convention 2013

Chenault proposed the 2013 Convention to be held at Paroquet Springs Convention Center, Shepherdsville KY. To be hosted by the Johnson County Rangers.

Motion was made by Ragland and seconded by Ersland

Motion carried unanimously

2. National Shoot 2013

Jim Stephens of Col. Bishop's Renegades invited the National Shoot back to the West Side Sportsman Club again in 2013. It was noted that the WSSC is paid a fee for each shooter out of the entry fees, and an increase of shooters increases the income to the WSSC. Selection of the place for the National Shoot 2013 will be made by the Executive Committee following completion of the 2012 National Shoot.

3. Regional Shoots 2012

The following is the listing of regional shoot proposals given to Congress. No vote was taken during congress, but the general discussion was positive towards the proposals.

- Eastern Regional at Hooten Old Town in September
- Southwest Regional at Greenville, Berger Sharpshooters, October 2012
- KVC Shoot in May (no other details given)
- Midwest Shoot in WI in July, Wisconsin Old West Shootists

4. Proposals

1. Class Restructuring

There were six (6) proposals for a restructuring of the shooting classes. Ted Beechler submitted a proposal to establish a formal *ad hoc* committee to investigate the feasibility of creating a new shooting class structure and to recommend the proposed changes to the Congress 2013. The committee would look at class structures that a) honor NCOWS authenticity standards; b) encourage and facilitate NCOWS growth and new NCOWS membership; c) be unique to NCOWS, and; d) should not alienate any portion of NCOWS established membership. The proposal called for the committee members to come from the five (5) largest shooting posses in NCOWS, and will solicit input from all the shooting posses in NCOWS regarding the development of its recommendations.

Because the number of proposals for class restructure was large and varied, Marshal Scott called for review of the Beechler proposal first. Should it carry, Congress will not spend time on the other proposals. A motion to approve was made by Roger Ragland and seconded by Joe Ray. In the discussion to follow, Marshal Scott recommended a revision to the proposal to change the wording from regarding members from the 5 largest posses to the Executive Committee will appoint the chair and members.

The motion carried unanimously.

A suggestion was made to turn over the balance of the restructuring proposals to the committee for consideration. Bob Chenault moved that the suggestion be accepted. Motion was seconded by “half the room”.

The motion carried unanimously.

2. Proposal by Bob Woods for Pistol Only Side Match

Bob Woods submitted a proposal to allow for a pistol only side match to be shot concurrently with the main match at the National Shoot in June 2012. The side match would shoot the same course of fire as the main match with pistols only. The side match would be scored separately. The match director was to determine the fee, number of pistols, and who may shoot the side match. Bryan Buck expressed a concern that to do this would potentially double the time to shoot the National Match and the advancement of the posses through the main match. Bob Chenault suggested that a 2/4 pistol category be allowed instead of main match. John Covert made a motion to accept this change, Celeste Mullins seconded. Further discussion resulted, where Bryan Buck made a motion to amend the proposal to be reviewed by the match director and judge on a case by case basis, to give agreement/permission 60 days prior to the shoot, and the shooter would shoot either the standard main match or the pistol only style. Marshal Scott ruled this amendment out of order, as it was a new proposal, not an amendment. A vote was taken to accept Mr. Woods’ proposal as written. A roll call vote was taken:

Aye: Farmer, Mullins

Nay: Abels, Barnes, Beechler, Buck, Burgner, Chenault, Covert, Cunningham, Davis, Davison, Dorian, Ersland, Evans, Graley, Irons, Jacobson, Lee, Munger, Owen, Ray, Scott, Sonnen, Smith, Spanton, Swalina, Stephens, Tatham, Torrence, Jackson

Abstain: Ragland

Motion failed.

John Covert made a new motion that the Match Director and Judge, with the individual requesting, review on a case-by-case basis to allow pistol only shooting for those with physical limitations via a 60-days-prior-to-match agreement with all parties. Pete Ersland suggested that the Executive Committee should approve said agreement. Motion by John Covert, seconded by Celeste Mullins.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. The Shootist Publication Proposal

Jack Bursovsky submitted a proposal to amend the by-laws to specify a publication schedule for *The Shootist* magazine. The proposal called for it to be published only twice/year, once after the convention and once after the National Shoot. A bi-monthly newsletter shall replace the other four (4) yearly issues of *The Shootist* magazine.

John Covert moved to accept the proposal and it was seconded by Pete Ersland. Bower

moved to amend to 4 issues/year, but the amendment was ruled out of order. Vote was taken.

Motion failed unanimously

John Covert made a motion to change the publication to 4 times/year, quarterly per the seasons. It was also suggested that we drop date publication format and go to a Vol/No format. The motion was seconded by Pete Ersland. Tom Spanton spoke, saying that the publication of the magazine should not be dictated by the By-Laws. Vote was taken.

Motion failed unanimously

Roger Ragland discussed feasibility of having regional responsibility for supplemental newsletters in addition to the published *The Shootist*.

Congress took a break at this point.

4. Period Correct Camping

Mike Tatham submitted a proposal to create an addendum to the Tally Book establishing rules for the Period Correct (PC) Camping. As written:

- i. All structures in the PC camping area must be appropriate to the era 1865-1899.
- ii. All residents of the PC camping area must be attired as if they were on the firing line (NCOWS level one or better).
- iii. All non-PC items must be kept out of sight and/or well covered.

Roger Ragland made the motion to accept the rules as written. The motion was seconded by Bryan Buck. A roll call vote was taken:

Aye: Barnes, Beechler, Buck, Burgner, Cunningham, Davis, Davison, Dorian, Ersland, Evans, Graley, Jacobson, Lee, Munger, Ragland, Ray, Scott, Sonnen, Smith, Spanton, Swalina, Tatham, Torrence, Jackson

Nay: Chenault, Farmer, Irons, Stephens, Mullins

Abstain: Abels, Covert, Owen

Motion carried.

5. Model P Jr. Revolver Approval

Mike Tatham submitted a proposal to approve the Model P Jr. (also marketed as the Stallion). The proposal was based upon the existence of 2/3 scale Colt copies made in Spain and Belgium and marketed in Mexico. However, not all the corroborating evidence was acquired in time for Congress, so the proposal was withdrawn by Tatham.

6. Rogers & Spencer Replica & Conversion

Bob Chenault submitted a proposal that the Rogers & Spencer 44 revolver, model of 1865 and conversions of same meet the NCOWS criteria and should be approved in the By-Laws. The motion to accept the proposal was made by Mike Tatham, seconded by Pete Ersland. The vote was taken:

Aye: Abels, Barnes, Beechler, Buck, Burgner, Chenault, Covert, Cunningham, Davis,

Davison, Dorian, Evans, Farmer, Graley, Irons, Jacobson, Lee, Munger, Owen, Ray, Scott, Sonnen, Smith, Spanton, Swalina, Stephens, Tatham, Torrence, Mullins, Jackson

Nay: Ersland, Ragland

Motion carried.

7. Derringer Approval for Side Matches

Mike Tatham submitted a proposal to approve or disapprove specific derringers for use in side matches. The subject of the proposal was replicas based on the original Remington over/under 41RF derringer. Other derringer types were not considered in this proposal. The Authenticity Committee (AC) consisting of Mike Tatham, John Torrence and Roger Ragland met to review samples of derringers to determine which should be approved and which should not. Tatham's original proposal included the Bond Texas Defender, the Bond Cowboy Defender, American Derringer, Cobra, Chiappa Double Eagle, Buddy Double, EIG, Davis and IAR (Uberti). Added to the list during the AC review because samples were on hand were the Western Arms (Herter's), the Excam TA38, the FIE D38 and the Rohm 17. In the AC review, each was placed over a 1:1 scale outline of the original Remington for comparison. The resultant recommended approval list and disapproval list came from this review.

Presented to Congress first was the recommendation of what should be on the disapproved list: Bond Texas Defender, the Bond Cowboy Defender, American Derringer and Cobra (all models). John covert made the motion that Congress accepts the AC recommendation on not allowing these derringers. The motion was seconded by Joe Ray. A vote was taken.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mike then presented the list of AC recommended approvals, to include Chiappa Double Eagle, EIG, Rohm 17, Western Arms, Excam TA38 and FIE D38. Mike Tatham made the motion to accept the recommended approval list of the AC. Bryan Buck seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

As no examples of the Buddy Double, the Davis and the IAR were not available for review by the AC, these were neither approved nor disapproved, pending review by the AC.

There was no other new business. Marshal Scott adjourned the meeting.

THE NATIONAL CONGRESS OF OLD WEST SHOOTISTS

Minutes of the 35th Congress, Shepherdsville, KY, March 15, 2013

Minutes Addendum

Senate and Representative Caucus

Representative Caucus: 12 Representatives were in attendance and 4 Representatives by proxy (see Roll Call). Representatives Mark Smith, Mike Owens and Jeff Farmer were nominated for the Chair of the Territorial Representatives. First vote showed insufficient majority by either Farmer or Smith, so a revote was called. Jeff Farmer was elected to the position of Chair of the Territorial Representatives.

Senate Caucus: 11 Senators were in attendance and 4 Senators by proxy (see Roll Call). At the beginning of the caucus, Senator Celeste Mullins declared she would not run for the position of Chair of the Territorial Senate. Senator John Torrence was nominated for the position of Chair of the Territorial Senate. No other nominations were made, and John Torrence was elected as Chair of the Territorial Senate.

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Marshall Scott called the congress to order at 7:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Roll Call.

Senators present: Ted Beechler, Bryan Buck, Anastasia Hope, John Irons, Kevin Kilman, Celeste Mullins, Joe Ray, Jim Reed, Dave Scott, Mike Tatham, John Torrence

Present by Proxy: Jerry Barnes, Robert Dorian, Roger Ragland, Greg Sonnen

Territorial Representatives present: Len Abels, Dennis Burgner, John Covert, Jeff Farmer, David Graley, Steve Jackson, Dave Lee, Mike Owen, Mark Smith, Thomas Spanton, Jim Stephens, Paul Swalina

Present by Proxy: Bill Cunningham, Gary Davison, Paul Jacobson, Dave Williams

Absent: Larry Davis, Troy Helser, Dave Howrey, Duke Munger

Installation of New Senators and Representatives

Marshal Dave Scott presided over the swearing in of Territorial Representatives and new Territorial Senators

Election of Officers

Marshal, Dave Scott

Deputy Marshal, Ted Beechler

Banker, Joe Ray

Secretary, Bryan Buck

With no other candidates nominated, all were elected unanimously.

Judge, Roger Ragland

Judge election candidates held by secret ballot, Roger Ragland 19 votes, Mike Owen 12 votes.

Presentation of Minutes of the 34th Congress

A call to read the minutes from the 34th was made.
John Covert moved to have Congress accept them as posted.
Seconded by Mark Smith.
The motion carried unanimously.

Bankers Report

Banker's report was prepared by Banker John Irons and was sent to three independent reviewers. Two financial reviewers John Saffron and Paul Swalina responded that all appeared in order and no discrepancies were found. The third party did not respond.
The four reports that were presented were

1. 2012 Annual Report
2. 2012 National Shoot Report
3. 2012 National Convention
4. 2013 Year-To-Date

John Irons requested that the reports be disseminated to the members of Congress by the Secretary.
Motion to accept the bankers report was made by John Covert
Seconded by Mark Smith.
Motion carried unanimously

Old Business

There was no old business

New Business

The agenda items for the 35th Congress, 2013 were addressed in the agenda order as published.

1. Proposal to Submit the Uberti Derringer to Congress to Approve for Use Bryan Buck & Roger Ragland

The Authenticity Committee has reviewed the 38 Uberti derringer and found it acceptable in size, form and function. It is therefore submitted that the Uberti and IAR 38 Spl/357 Magnum -caliber derringers to the Congress for its review with a recommendation from the Judge and the Authenticity Committee that they be placed on the Approved list.

Further, the Authenticity Committee has reviewed the Uberti Maverick large frame derringer, in 45 Colt and 357 Magnum, and has found it to be oversized. The AC thus recommends large frame Uberti Maverick be placed on the Unapproved List.

John Irons moved to accept the recommendation of the Authenticity Committee.

Kevin Kilman seconded the motion.

Nays: Abels, Burgner, Covert, Farmer, Lee, Owen, Swalina, Williams, Mullins

Motion carried with 22 Aye, 9 Nay

2. Proposal to Remove the Cobra Chrome 38/32 Derringers from the Unapproved List, Submitted by Bryan Buck.

At the Congressional Meeting of 2012, the 34th Congress, a vote was taken to create an initial Approved and Unapproved list of Derringers that may be used in NCOWS events. That list is as follows:

Approved Derringer, Reproductions

Chiappa Double Eagle

EIG

Rohm 17
Western Arms
Excam TA38
FIE D38
Uberti New Derringer/Maverick 38/357

Unapproved Derringers

Bond Arms Texas Defender
Bond Arms Cowboy Defender
Cobra Enterprises, all models

It is the intention of this proposal to suggest rationale for moving certain of the Derringers manufactured by Cobra Enterprises from the Unapproved list to the Approved list. I was present at the Authenticity Committee meeting at the 34th Congress as they reviewed the various derringers. Indeed, it was mostly my collection of derringers that were under review. I was privy to the discussions that resulted in the Cobra being banned. The overarching reason for banning the Cobra was the simulated vent rib on top of the barrel, as the original Remington, often referred to as the model 95, had a solid rib. Given that, I am making an argument here for approving one model of the Cobra Derringer (Big Bore), in one finish (Chrome) and in two calibers (38 Spl and 32 H&R). One might ask why, with the number of approved derringers on the list, I would bother with working towards this end. The answer is very simple. Of all the derringers on the approved list, not any of them remain in production. Chiappa still catalogs the Double Eagle, but none have been produced and shipped to distributors in over a year and firearms distributors have dropped it from their catalogs. In short, there are no derringers on the approved list that are of current manufacture and available to purchase new, with warranty. The Cobra derringers carry a lifetime warranty, and remain a mainstay of Cobra's firearms product line. By approving the Cobra Big Bore in 38 Spl and 32 H&R, we, Congress, would be able to encourage members to purchase new items, which would be inherently safer than purchasing the ones listed on the approved list which will be of dubious condition after 20 to 50 years of use...

The Authenticity Committee recommended approval of only the Chrome Big Bore Model, and only in 38 Special and 32 H&R calibers.

Kevin Kilman moved to accept the proposal.

Mark Smith seconded the motion

Nays: Abels, Covert, Farmer, Graley, Jacobson, Lee, Spanton, Swalina, Williams, Barnes, Beechler, Irons, Mullins, Ray, Reed, Scott

Abstain: Dorian, Hope, Tatham, Torrence

Motion Failed with 11 Aye, 16 Nay, 4 Abstain

3. Motion to clarify Family Memberships. Submitted by John Irons

We currently have many family members who are not husband and wife. I want to remove the sentence about dependent children over the age of 18 needing a separate membership as well. As long as they are members of the same household and only receive one magazine it is no different than a spouse or significant other.

1-4-b. **FAMILY MEMBERSHIP.** ~~Husband, wife, and all dependent children less than 18 years of age at the time dues are paid~~ Additional members of the same household may be added to an individual member's membership under a family membership — with full membership rights for additional persons (if dues are paid for both all): dependents under the age of 18 have the same rights as do other JUNIOR MEMBERS. ~~Dependents 18 years of age or older at the time dues are paid and who are not~~

~~full-time students must maintain separate individual membership.~~ Family Dues are \$35.00 full dues of original member/year plus \$10.00 for each additional family member listed. Only one magazine is provided per family membership.

Underlined text is new

Struck-through text is removed

Mike Tatham moved to accept the proposal

Mike Owen seconded the motion

Len Abels moved to amend as follows:

“... plus \$10.00 for each additional household member listed...”

Mike Owen seconded the motion to amend

Motion carried unanimously

Motion to change By-Law 1-4-b as amended was voted.

Motion carried unanimously

4. Motion to clarify terms of office. Submitted by John Irons

The By-Laws do not clearly define the terms of office for Territorial Representatives or Senators. Nor do they specify what happens when an Officer loses their Senate seat or position as Territorial Representative.

2-4. These officers, plus the Chair of the Territorial Senate, elected by the Territorial Senate for a one-year term, and the Chair of the Territorial Representatives, elected by the Territorial Representatives for a one-year term, acting together, shall constitute the Executive Committee of this organization. Their term of office shall run from the Congress meeting in which they are elected until the next Congress meeting where election of officers are held. Officers who are no longer eligible for office due to loss of Senator seat or Territorial Representative election shall fill out their term of office until replaced by appointment or special election. The Executive Committee has all of the powers of the organization in the intervals between meetings with any limits established by By-Law.

3-1. The National Congress of Old West Shootists shall be governed by a representative body, the Territorial Congress (Board of Directors), consisting of fifteen (15) Territorial Senators elected from within the Full Membership at large, and any number of Territorial Representatives, elected by the Posses. Each Posse is entitled to elect one (1) Territorial Representative. Each Territorial Senator and Territorial Representative shall have equal voice and vote; ex-officio members have equal voice, but no vote. A Territorial Senator or Representative's duty shall only be that of a general representative, unless additional specific authority is designated by the Territorial Congress. Senators' and Representatives' terms ~~and duties shall be further described in the By-Laws.~~ of office shall be one year beginning January 1 of each calendar year. Incoming Senators and Representatives are eligible to run for chairperson of their respective groups and stand for election as an officer. The outgoing Senators and Representatives shall have no vote or eligibility beyond the end of their one year term.

Underlined text is new

Struck-through text is removed

Kevin Kilman moved to accept the proposal

Mike Tatham seconded the motion

Nays: Mullins

Motion carried with 30 Aye and 1 Nay

5. Motion to revise By-Law 2-5 to require posse host fees for National Shoot & Convention to be paid from the profits of the event. Submitted by John Irons

2-5. The Executive Committee may establish and schedule at least one all- National Congress of Old West Shootists "National Shootout" a year, and shall may sanction and schedule other National Congress of Old West Shootists-sponsored events as proposed and run by the various Posses. The Executive Committee shall authorize a host fee an amount of \$500 to be paid to the posse or posses conducting the National Shootout. That fee is to be paid from the profits of the event. The fee shall be \$0 to \$500 dependent on the profits generated by the event. The host posse(s) shall receive the profits of the National Shoot up to a cap of \$500. Any other profits beyond the cap of \$500 from the event shall belong to the National organization. In the event of a loss, the host posse(s) shall receive \$0. The Executive Committee may also establish and schedule and an annual convention and trade show of the National Congress of Old West Shootist. The Executive Committee shall authorize a host fee an amount of \$1000 to be paid to the posse or posses conducting the annual Convention. That fee is to be paid from the profits of the event. The fee shall be \$0 to \$1,000 dependent on the profits generated by the event. The host posse(s) shall receive the profits of the Convention up to a cap of \$1,000. Any other profits beyond the cap of \$1,000 from the event shall belong to the National organization. In the event of a loss, the host posse(s) shall receive \$0.

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Struck-through text is removed

Bryan Buck made a motion to accept the proposal.

John Covert seconded the motion.

Nays: Abels, Burgner, Covert, Cunningham, Farmer, Graley, Jackson, Jacobson, Lee, Owen, Spanton, Stephens, Swalina, Williams, Barnes, Beechler, Buck, Dorian, Hope, Irons, Kilman, Mullins, Ragland, Ray, Reed, Scott, Sonnen, Tatham, Torrence

Motion failed with 2 Aye and 29 Nay

No change to By Law 2-5

6. Motion to clean up language of by-laws to better reflect what is actually being done. Submitted by John Irons

1-4-g. **INDIVIDUAL LIFE MEMBERSHIP.** Any responsible person at least 18 years of age—full membership rights for life, including the rights to vote and to hold office. Individual Life dues are \$500.00. The Banker may set up payment plans for payment of Life dues.

Underlined text is new

Struck-through text is removed

Joe Ray made a motion to accept the proposal.

Len Abels seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

7. Motion to clean up language of by-laws to better reflect what is actually being done. Submitted

by John Irons

Underlined text is new

Struck-through text is removed

2-1-a. The **Marshal** shall function as the President of the organization and as the Chairman of the Executive Committee. The Marshal shall ~~execute daily the edicts of the Congress, and shall preside over all General and Congressional meetings. He or she may appoint committee members as needed, subject to the approval of the Congress.~~ In emergency situations, the Marshal may make required decisions on behalf of the Territorial Congress, subject to later review by the Congress.

John Irons made a motion to accept the proposal.

Anastasia Hope seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

8. Motion to clean up language of by-laws to better reflect what is actually being done. Submitted by John Irons

2-1-d. The **Banker** shall function as the Treasurer and shall maintain a ledger of expenses and income along with any bank statements, receipts, bills, etc. to support said ledger. He or she shall have charge of all NCOWS funds. He or she shall disburse funds to maintain the day to day operation of the organization. He or she shall disburse funds at the direction of the Executive Committee for expenses beyond day to day operating expenses. He or she shall present a detailed treasurers report to the Congress for the previous calendar year at the first Territorial Congress meeting of each year. Summary Treasurer's reports shall may be made incrementally from the last detailed report upon request of the Executive Committee or the Territorial Congress. ~~to the Executive Committee at each Executive Committee Meeting throughout the year.~~

Underlined text is new

Struck-through text is removed

Kevin Kilman made a motion to accept the proposal.

Anastasia Hope seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

9. Motion to clean up language of by-laws to better reflect what is actually being done. Submitted by John Irons

3-6-a. Conduct Oversee the financial policies of the National Congress of Old West Shootists. An independent review of the previous years Banker's report shall be made each year by a committee of three (3) NCOWS members appointed by the Marshal. The Banker shall provide any and all records requested by the committee.

Underlined text is new

Struck-through text is removed

Bryan Buck made a motion to accept the proposal.

Celeste Mullins seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

10. Motion to clean up language of by-laws to better reflect what is actually being done. Submitted by John Irons

3-6-f. Establish the criteria for authenticity in firearms, accouterments, and clothing for official National Congress of Old West Shootists events. To be administered through an Authenticity Committee chaired by the National Judge. (See 2-1e)

Underlined text is new

Struck-through text is removed

Joe Ray made a motion to accept the proposal.

Mark Smith seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

11. Motion to correct typo, this should be 3-7 and to clean up language of by-laws to better reflect what is actually being done. Submitted by John Irons

~~3-6.~~ 3-7. An Oath of Office shall be required of all members of the Territorial Congress at the first Congress Meeting following their upon taking office. The Oath will be administered by the Marshal, who shall in his/her turn, if necessary, be sworn by the Deputy Marshal. The Oath (instructions and phrases in square brackets [] are optional): [Right hand on Bible] I, , do hereby swear/affirm to uphold and abide by the Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws of the National Congress of Old West Shootists, and to support the National Congress of Old West Shootists and represent those who have elected me to the best of my ability. [So help me, God.]

Underlined text is new

Struck-through text is removed

Kevin Kilman made a motion to accept the proposal.

Mike Owen seconded the motion.

Debate revealed that this wording is in conflict with By-Law 3-1 as passed in item 4 above and John Irons withdrew the proposal.

Tom Spanton made the motion that the typographical error in the number be corrected.

Len Abels seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

12. Motion to add new By-law to outline responsibilities of the Executive Committee submitted by John Irons

3-8 Responsibilities of the Executive Committee

3-8a. Appoint individuals to be in charge of specific National Congress of Old West Shootists' functions. *(Move from 3-6-b to here)*

3-8b. Approve Honorary Membership *(Move from 3-6-g to here)*

3-8c. Recommend the approval of Posses seeking to join the National Congress of Old West Shootists to the Territorial Congress who have met the required criteria.

3-8-d. The Executive Committee may establish and schedule at least one all- National Congress of Old West Shootists "National Shoot" a year, and may sanction and schedule other National Congress of Old West Shootists-sponsored events as proposed and run by the various Posses. The Executive Committee shall authorize a host fee to be paid to the posse or posses conducting the National Shoot. That fee is to be paid from the profits of the event. The fee shall be \$0 to \$500 dependent on the profits generated by the event. The Executive Committee may also establish and schedule an annual convention and trade

show of the National Congress of Old West Shootist. The Executive Committee shall authorize a host fee to be paid to the posse or posses conducting the annual Convention. That fee is to be paid from the profits of the event. The fee shall be \$0 to \$1,000 dependent on the profits generated by the event.
(Move from 2-5 to here - this shows By-law as proposed in earlier motion, if earlier motion fails then copy 2-5 as written)

3-8e No actions of the Executive Committee shall circumvent the wishes of the Territorial Congress. The Congress may rescind or revise the decisions of the Executive Committee by a majority vote at any regular or special meeting of the Congress.

Underlined text is new

Struck-through text is removed

John Irons made a motion to accept the proposal.

Mike Tatham seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously

13. Motion to clarify the number of members of the Authenticity Committee in the by-laws to better reflect what is actually being done. Submitted by Bryan Buck

2-1-e. The Judge shall function as the Chief Safety/Range Officer. Serves as Range/Safety Officer. Has the power to appoint Deputy Judges for individual events from the National Congress of Old West Shootists' membership. Appoints 4 members to the Authenticity Committee, and Chairs the Authenticity Committee and is responsible for implementing authenticity standards.

Underlined text is new

Struck-through text is removed

Mark Smith made a motion to accept the proposal.

Dave Lee seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously

14. PROPOSAL TO REVISE MINIMUM MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS FOR POSSE STATUS AND INSURANCE BENEFITS

Submitted by John Irons

Background: Insurance rates continue to raise, the current average cost to NCOWS for Posse liability insurance is \$650 per year. At the current minimum requirement of 12 members to qualify for full insurance we generate approx. \$420 if all twelve members are regular dues paying members. This does not allow for any Senior, Junior, Family or Life members who pay at reduced cost. By increasing the minimum to 20 we generate approx. \$700 not allowing for Senior, Junior, Family & Life members on the posse.

These changes are to be voted on as a group and not individually. Vote for all or none.

1-3a-5. A Posse may be formed with only ~~three~~ five (5) unique members, but must have at least ~~five~~ ten (10) unique members by the end of the first calendar year.

1-3b-4. After their first year and thereafter, Posses must maintain a minimum membership of ~~five (5)~~ ten (10) members to remain an active Posse and must maintain a minimum of ~~twelve (12)~~ twenty (20) members to receive full insurance benefits. Posses with ten (10) to nineteen (19) members will still qualify for insurance reimbursement but at a lower rate. (See also By-Law 9)

9-4. ~~NCOWS will pay for the basic minimum charge for such liability insurance if they have and maintain 100% NCOWS membership. Posse with less than 100% NCOWS membership will be required to pay half the current rate. NCOWS Posse insurance benefit will be paid or reimbursed at the following rates:~~

- 20 or more unique members and 100% NCOWS membership = 100% of the basic minimum premium for liability insurance.
- 20 or more unique members and less than 100% NCOWS membership = 50% of the basic minimum premium for liability insurance.
- 10-19 unique members and 100% NCOWS membership = 50% of the basic minimum premium for liability insurance.
- 10-19 unique members and less than 100% NCOWS membership = 25% of the basic minimum premium for liability insurance.

Posse must submit a membership list and members NCOWS membership numbers at time of policy renewal. (Amended March, 2011)

Underlined text is new

Struck-through text is removed

John Covert made a motion to accept the proposal.

Mark Smith seconded the motion.

John Covert moved to amend 1-3b-4 to read "...but at a pro rata rate..."

Mark Smith seconded the motion

Nays: Scott

Motion to amend carried 30 aye to 1 nay

Vote on amended proposal

Nays: Abels, Burgner, Covert, Farmer, Graley, Jacobson, Stephens, Williams, Scott, Sonnen, Mullins, Torrence

Abstain: Reed (*note: at this point Jim Reed had to leave due to health and votes Abstain on issues.*)

Motion carried with 18 Aye, 12 Nay, 1 Abstain

15. Insurance -- situation and solution. Submitted by Robert Chenault

Entertaining proposals to resolve our unsustainable and unaffordable reimbursement for insurance.

No proposal was made, so no motion made or vote taken.

16. New Category of Membership Dues Rate. Submitted by Roger Ragland

Whereas NCOWS offers Yearly Membership renewals, Family or Spouse membership and Life Membership, I would propose a third category rate schedule.

- A 5 (five) year onetime payment @ \$125 equaling a \$10 per year discount to the annual \$35 membership rate.
- A 5 (five) year onetime payment @ \$100 Senior Rate equaling a \$10 per year discount to the annual \$30 Senior Membership rate.

- 5 (five) year Family or Spouse onetime payment @ \$50 per same household family member

It would not affect Life Membership category, should one choose to join for life, nor would it affect 1 (one) year's renewals.

Simply it would be a new category rate to generate needed capital at this time when NCOWS is feeling the pinch.

If approved, I would suggest the new category become effective in January 2014, thereby having no effect on 2013 membership dues.

Precedent: Much like Magazines subscriptions discounts for multi years subscriptions.

Mike Tatham made a motion to accept the proposal.

Mark Smith seconded the motion.

Nays: Abels, Burgner, Covert, Farmer, Graley, Jackson, Jacobson, Lee, Owen, Smith, Spanton, Stephens, Swalina, Williams, Barnes, Beechler, Buck, Dorian, Hope, Irons, Kilman, Mullins, Ray, Scott, Sonnen, Tatham, Torrence

Abstain: Reed

Motion failed with 3 Ayes, 27 Nays and 1 Abstain

17. National Convention Committee Proposal, Submitted by Jeff McIntosh

This is a proposal for a National Committee to be setup to oversee the National Convention of NCOWS for the recruitment of vendors, presentations, demonstrations and acquiring door prizes for the Saturday night banquet.

Further, the National Committee is to work in conjunction with a local (host) posse which would oversee locating and setting up the venue, acquiring security, arrange motel rooms and take care of the day to day operations and local logistics of the convention.

Bryan Buck moved to accept the proposal

Rob Fulcher seconded the motion

Bryan Buck moved to amend the proposal by replacing "oversee" with "assist".

Kevin Kilman seconded the proposal to amend.

Nays: Irons

Motion to amend carried with 30 Ayes and 1 Nay

Vote on amended proposal

Nays: Abels, Burgner, Covert, Cunningham, Davison, Graley, Jackson, Jacobson, Lee, Smith, Spanton, Stephens, Swalina, Williams, Barnes, Beechler, Buck, Dorian, Hope, Irons, Kilman, Mullins, Ragland, Ray, Reed, Scott, Sonnen, Tatham, Torrence

Motion failed with 2 Ayes and 29 Nays

18. Motion to Establish a Minimum Number of Participants for a Class, Submitted by the Ad Hoc Committee

In keeping with the Survey 1 results, the Ad Hoc Committee on Shooting Classes moves that at the National shoot level, there must be a minimum of (3) three entries in an adult class in order to compete for place recognition (awards). If an entrant is registered in an adult class that has fewer than (3) three,

he or she will be allowed to switch classes, up to and including the start date of the shoot, or agree to shoot in the adult class originally chosen for non-recognition of placement.

John Torrence moved to accept the proposal

Joe Ray seconded the motion

Nays: Abels, Burgner, Covert, Farmer, Graley, Jackson, Jacobson, Lee, Owen, Smith, Spanton, Stephens, Swalina, Beechler, Buck, Dorian, Hope, Irons, Kilman, Mullins, Ray, Scott, Sonnen, Torrence

Abstain: Reed

Motion failed with 6 Ayes, 24 Nays and 1 abstain

19. Motion to Establish a New Shooting Class Structure, Submitted by the Ad Hoc Committee

Based on the tally of Survey 2 votes, the Ad Hoc Committee on Shooting Classes moves that NCOWS establish the following shooting class structure:

1 pistol & 1 rifle Black Powder Duelist

1 pistol & 1 rifle Smokeless Duelist

1 pistol & 1 rifle Black Powder Shootist

1 pistol & 1 rifle Smokeless Shootist

2 pistols & 1 rifle Black Powder Duelist

2 pistols & 1 rifle Smokeless Duelist

2 pistols & 1 rifle Black Powder Shootist

2 pistols & 1 rifle Smokeless Shootist

2 pistols, 1 rifle & 1 shotgun Black Powder Duelist

2 pistols, 1 rifle & 1 shotgun Smokeless Duelist

2 pistols, 1 rifle & 1 shotgun Black Powder Shootist

2 pistols, 1 rifle & 1 shotgun Smokeless Shootist

Pistoleer changed to 2 C&B pistols & 1 rifle

Originals (as is)

2 pistols, 1 rifle & 1 shotgun Junior

1 pistol & 1 rifle Junior

2 pistols, 1 rifle & 1 shotgun Senior

1 pistol & 1 rifle Senior

There would be a Men and Women class for each of the above.

Bryan Buck moved to accept the proposal

John Torrence seconded the motion

Ted Beechler moved to amend the proposal to leave Pistoleer as is with no change

Len Abels seconded the motion

Nays: Williams

Abstain: Reed

Motion to amend carried with 29 Ayes, 1 Nay and 1 Abstain

John Irons moved to amend (second amendment to proposal) to add a 3-gun Pistoleer Class that eliminates the shotgun

Mike Tatham seconded the motion

Nays: Graley, Smith, Williams, Buck, Kilman, Torrence

Abstain: Abels, Covert, Davison, Lee, Stephens, Swalina, Barnes, Dorian, Hope, Reed

Motion carried with 15 Ayes, 6 Nays and 10 Abstain

John Covert moved to table the proposal pending fine tuning of the class language

Celeste Mullins seconded the motion

Nays: Jackson, Lee, Dorian, Hope, Irons, Kilman, Ray, Sonnen, Tatham

Abstain: Reed

The motion to table carried with 21 Ayes, 9 Nays and 1 Abstain

20. Motion to Establish a Shooting Class Committee, Submitted by the Ad Hoc Committee

To deal with future shooting class requests and issues, the Ad Hoc Committee on Shooting Classes moves that a permanent standing Shooting Class Committee be established with the following structure and responsibilities to be included in the Bylaws of the National Congress of Old West Shootists.

2-1-b. The Deputy Marshal shall function as the Vice President. Serves as acting Marshal in the absence of the Marshal. Shall serve as Sergeant-At-Arms at meetings of the Territorial Congress and General Membership. Appoints and chairs the Shooting Category Committee.

10.4 The Territorial Congress shall establish and maintain a list of shooting categories approved for competition in National and Regional Shooting competitions. This list will be reviewed and updated (if necessary) annually. Members wishing to have a particular shooting category added or removed from the list must petition the Territorial Congress.

10-4-a. Petitions from members seeking to add or remove shooting categories shall be made through the Shooting Category Committee, to be chaired by the Deputy Marshal. The proposing party will provide evidence, such as a petition from xx number of NCOWS members requesting the change.

10-4-b. The request for change will then be forwarded to Posse Representatives to get each posse's vote on it. Posse Representatives will furnish a tally of their posse's NCOWS member's votes.

10-4-c. The Shooting Category Committee shall make their recommendation to the Territorial Congress within 90 days of compiling all data. If there is insufficient interest in the change no by-law will be proposed for ratification at the next Congress Meeting. If there is sufficient interest, the Territorial Congress shall then accept or deny the petition at the next Congress Meeting after receiving the recommendation from the Shooting Category Committee.

10-4-d. An unsuccessful petitioner may appeal the decision of the Shooting Category Committee to the Territorial Congress.

John Covert moved to accept the proposal

Joe Ray seconded the motion

John Irons moved to amend.

Joe Ray seconded the motion

Change wording in By-Law 10-4-c as follows:

10-4-c. The Shooting Category Committee shall make their recommendation to the Territorial Congress within 90 days of compiling all data. ~~If there is insufficient interest in the change no by-law~~ a majority of responding NCOWS members voting are in favor of the change, the change will be proposed for ratification at the next Congress Meeting. ~~If there is sufficient interest~~ The Territorial Congress shall then accept or deny the petition at the next Congress Meeting after receiving the recommendation from the Shooting Category Committee.

Nays: Williams

Abstain: Reed

Motion carried with 29 Aye, 1 Nay and 1 Abstain

Vote taken to approve the amended proposal

Nays: Abels, Burgner, Covert, Farmer, Graley, Jacobson, Lee, Owen, Stephens, Williams, Buck, Dorian, Kilman, Mullins, Scott, Torrence

Abstain: Reed

Motion fails with 14 Ayes, 16 Nays and 1 Abstain. No By-Laws were changed.

21. Minutes of the Executive Committee On-Line Meetings Publication, Submitted by Celeste Mullins

As many members do not and/or cannot use the internet and neither the NCOWS webpage nor CasCity.

The minutes of the actions of the Executive Committee in the CasCity NCOWS Executive Chambers are to be published in The Shootist quarterly.

Jeff Farmer moved to accept the proposal

Celeste Mullins seconded the motion

Motion carried unanimously

22. Publication of Committee Meeting Minutes, Submitted by Celeste Mullins

There is a need to keep all members informed as to committees appointed by the Marshal, or the Deputy Marshal, the names of current committee members, and the workings of the committees. The Chairman of the Committee shall be responsible to see that minutes of meetings of the committee, whether formal, or informal be kept, whether the meetings are by phone, in person, by mail, or internet

that said minutes be published in, The Shootist, quarterly.

Jeff Farmer moved to accept the proposal

Anastasia Hope seconded the motion

Motion carried unanimously

23. Limitation of Access to CASCity NCOWS Executive Chambers, Submitted by Celeste Mullins

The NCOWS Executive Chambers web site shall be limited to the following:

Marshal Halloway;

Moderator;

NCOWS Webmaster and;

NCOWS Marshal, Deputy Marshal, Secretary, Banker, Editor, Judge, Chair of the Territorial Senate, and Chair of the Territorial Representatives.

Further, as soon as new members are sworn in to serve on the Executive Committee they are given access as soon as practical so that the Executive Committee can do business as needed. Further, that the old Executive Committee Members whom the new members have replaced be removed from access simultaneously.

The proposal was withdrawn by Celeste Mullins

24. Marshal Dave Scott called for any additional new business.

25. Dennis Burgner distributed the proposal from the Double M Cowboys to host the 2014 Convention. Dennis lead a discussion on the proposal, pointing out specific items of interest, and a suggestion that a 1 day fun shoot may precede the Convention which would begin on Friday, March 28, 2014. The location for the 2014 Convention is proposed to be Springfield MO. A packet with the proposal was distributed to every Congress member.

26. There being no further new business, Mike Tatham moved to adjourn.

Rob Fulcher seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

The 2013 meeting of the 35th Territorial Congress adjourned at midnight (12:00 am)

THE NATIONAL CONGRESS OF OLD WEST SHOOTISTS

Minutes of the 35th Congress,

Shepherdsville, KY,

March 15, 2013

Minutes Addendum from 35th Meeting of Congress March 2013

1. It has been moved to take the Shooting Class Structure proposal off the table for further consideration.

Motion: Beechler

Second: Ray

Ayes: Buck, Smith, Sonnen, Spanton, Irons, Ray, Stephens, Kilman, Beechler, Scott, Tatham, Lee, Reed, Dorian, Owen, Abels, Graley, Covert, Torrence, Jackson, Ragland, Helser, Swalina, Barnes (by proxy with Tatham), Hope,

Nays: Mullins, Farmer, Williams,

Abstain: Davison,

Not Cast: Burgner, Cunningham, Jacobson, Davis

Note that this topic is an action for Congress, and not just the EC, though the motion was made in Executive Chambers. Vote called for Congress on 3/27/2013

22 Aye, 2 Nay, 8 no response

Motion carries 4/9/2013. Remaining votes to be recorded when received.

2. With the motion to remove the Shooting Class topic from the table, the Ad Hoc Committee presents an amendment to the shooting class proposal. The amended proposal replaces By-Law 10-1 with the following.

10-1 NCOWS shooting classes are unique and offer the shooter a greater variety of firearm options. These options are in keeping with the various ways in which someone might have equipped themselves in the Old West. All NCOWS shooting classes, as established by By-Law must be made available to all shooters at each National, Regional or Charter Posse Shoot. These classes shall be:

Men's and Women's Four Gun Smokeless Shootist:

Shooter uses two pistols, one shotgun, and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooters may shoot smokeless powder and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip.

Men's and Women's Three Gun Smokeless Shootist:

Shooter uses two pistols and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooters may shoot smokeless powder and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip.

Men's and Women's Two Gun Smokeless Shootist Working Cowboy:

Shooter uses one pistol and one pistol caliber rifle. No Gun Carts are to be used at any time. Shooters

may shoot smokeless powder and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip.

Men's and Women's Four Gun Black Powder Shootist:

Shooter uses two pistols, one shotgun, and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooter must shoot black powder or approved black powder substitute powder in all firearms except those chambered for rimfire cartridges, and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip. Shotguns may NOT include any model of pump shotgun.

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Men's and Women's Four Gun Smokeless Duelist:

Shooter uses two pistols, one shotgun, and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooters may shoot smokeless powder and must fire handguns using a one-handed grip.

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Shooter uses two pistols and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooters may shoot smokeless powder and must fire handguns using a one-handed grip.

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Men's and Women's Four Gun Pistoleer:

Shooter uses two pistols, one shotgun, and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooters are restricted to the use of percussion revolvers, pre-1873 percussion or original/authentic reproductions of rimfire cartridge pocket pistols, exposed hammer double-barreled shotguns (percussion or cartridge) and reproduction or original pre-1873 pistol-caliber repeating rifles (e.g. 1860 Henry, Spencer, 1866 Winchester, etc.) Shooters must shoot black powder or approved black powder substitute in all firearms except those chambered for rimfire cartridges. Pistols and revolvers must be shot one-handed. Pistooleer shooters will shoot the same course of fire as the other competitors except that in a stage requiring more than two shotgun rounds the Pistooleer shooter would not be required to shoot the extra rounds.

Men's and Women's Three Gun Pistooleer:

Shooter uses two pistols and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooters are restricted to the use of percussion revolvers, pre-1873 percussion or original/authentic reproductions of rimfire cartridge pocket pistols, and reproduction or original pre-1873 pistol-caliber repeating rifles (e.g. 1860 Henry, Spencer, 1866 Winchester, etc.) Shooters must shoot black powder or approved black powder substitute in all firearms except those chambered for rimfire cartridges. Pistols and revolvers must be shot one-handed.

Men's and Women's Four Gun Seniors:

Shall be open to those over age 60 only. Shooter uses two pistols, one rifle and one shotgun. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Men's and Women's Two Gun Seniors:

Shall be open to those over age 60 only. Shooter uses one pistol and one rifle. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Men's and Women's Four Gun Elder:

Shall Be open to those over the age of 70 only. Shooter uses two pistols, one rifle and one shotgun. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Men's and Women's Two Gun Elder:

Shall be open to those over the age of 70 only. Shooter uses one pistol and one rifle. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Boy's and Girl's Four Gun Juniors:

Shall be open to those 12 through 17 only. Shooter uses two pistols, one rifle and one shotgun. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Boy's and Girl's Two Gun Juniors:

Shall be open to those 12 through 17 only. Shooter uses one pistol and one rifle. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Men's and Women's Originals:

Shooter uses two guns, one rifle and one pistol to complete the course of fire. This class must be shot duelist/traditional style. Must have three originals present to have the class. For complete rules and regulations see Appendix A at the back of the Tally Book.

In addition to these classes, Chartered Clubs and special events may offer additional classes so long as they adhere to the general outline of these By-Laws.

Ted Beechler makes the motion to approve the new language in the amended proposal.

Joe Ray seconded the motion.

Motion: Beechler

Second: Ray

Ayes: Buck, Owen, Stephens, Sonnen, Davison, Kilman, Ragland, Lee, Irons, Torrence, Spanton, Scott, Smith, Covert, Beechler, Ray, Graley, Jackson, Abels, Jacobson, Cunningham, Swalina, Dorian, Barnes, Tatham, Helser, Reed,

Nays: Davis, Farmer, Mullins,

Abstain:

Not Cast: Burgner, Howrey, Williams, Hope,

Note that this topic is an action for Congress, and not just the EC, though the motion was made in Executive Chambers. Vote called for Congress on 3/27/2013

27 Aye, 3 Nay, 0 Abstain , 4 no response

Motion carries 5/1/2013. Remaining votes to be recorded when received.

3. The Chair and Marshal Dave Scott called for the final vote on the main motion as detailed in item 2 above:

The question has been called and the deadline for amendments has passed.

It is now time to vote on the Main Motion As Amended.

The Motion before the Congress at this time is to accept the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee as amended by the previous vote.

An "aye" vote is a vote to change NCOWS class structure to the version recently passed in the amendment.

A "nay" vote is a vote to reject the class changes altogether and leave the class structure as it currently is.

The Secretary shall record the votes of Congress members as they are cast.

Ayes: Tatham, Dorian, Kilman, Covert, Smith, Buck, Lee, Ray, Spanton, Beechler, Owen, Jackson, Irons, Torrence, Mullins, Abels, Helser, Sonnen, Graley, Reed, Swalina, Jacobson, Davison, Stephens, Davis, Ragland, Cunningham,

Nays: Farmer, Scott,

Abstain:

Not Cast: Burgner, Williams, Barnes, Hope,

27 Aye, 2 Nay, 0 Abstain , 4 no response

Motion carries 6/28/2013. Remaining votes to be recorded when receive

National Congress of Old West Shootists

Minutes of the 36th Congress, Springfield, MO **March 28, 2014**

Senate and Representative Caucus

Representative Caucus: Nine Representatives were in attendance and seven Representatives by proxy (see Roll Call). Representative Tom Spanton was elected to the position of Chair of the Territorial Representatives.

Senate Caucus: Eleven Senators were in attendance and three Senators by proxy (see Roll Call). One senator was not in attendance or sent a proxy. Senator John Torrence was nominated for the position of Chair of the Territorial Senate. No other nominations were made, and John Torrence was elected as Chair of the Territorial Senate.

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Marshall Scott called the Congress to order at 7:00 PM
Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Roll Call.

Senators present: Ted Beechler, Bryan Buck, Robert Dorian, Anastasia Hope, John Irons, Roger Ragland, Joe Ray, Jim Reed, Dave Scott, Mike Tatham, John Torrence
Present by Proxy: Jerry Barnes, Celeste Mullins, Greg Sonnen
Absent: Kevin Kilman

Territorial Representatives present: Len Abels, David Birk, Steve Jackson, Dave Lee, Mike Owen, Steve Sagaser, Mike Scott, Mark Smith, Thomas Spanton,
Present by Proxy: Bill Cunningham, Larry Davis, Gary Davison, Jeff Farmer, David Graley, Paul Jacobson, Jim Stephens,
Absent: Dave Williams

Installation of New Senators and Representatives

Secretary Bryan Buck presided over the swearing in of new Territorial Representatives and new Territorial Senators

Election of Officers

Marshal, Dave Scott
Deputy Marshal, Ted Beechler
Banker, Joe Ray
Secretary, Bryan Buck
With no other candidates nominated, all were elected unanimously.

Judge, Nominations included Roger Ragland and Mike Owens
Judge election held by secret ballot, Roger Ragland 9 votes, Mike Owen 18 votes.

Judge, Mike Owen

Presentation of Minutes of the 35th Congress

A call to read the minutes from the 35^h was made.

Len Abels moved to have Congress accept them as posted and published in the magazine.

Seconded by Mark Smith.

The motion carried unanimously.

Bankers Report

Banker's report was prepared by Banker Joe Ray and was sent to three independent reviewers. Two financial reviewers Pete Ersland and Dart Liebrandt responded that all appeared in order and no discrepancies were found. The third party did not respond.

The three reports that were presented were disseminated by Joe Ray and included

1. 2013 Annual Report
2. 2013 National Shoot Report
3. 2013 National Convention

Copies of the reports are appended to these minutes as Appendix A

Motion to accept the bankers report was made by Anastasia Hope

Seconded by Mark Smith.

Motion carried unanimously

Old Business

There was no old business

New Business

Roger Ragland presented a proposal to modify the wording on the Unapproved List regarding Henry Big Boy, with regards to the new offering by Henry of the 1860 Henry. Roger also presented proposed modifications to the Unapproved List regarding factory short stroked "race ready" 1873 rifles. However, since the proposal was not on the published agenda, no action by Congress could be taken at this time. It will be disseminated by Judge Mike Owens at a later date for Congressional vote.

The agenda items for the 35th Congress, 2013 were addressed in the agenda order as published.

- 1. A report the Shooting Class Survey taken at the 2013 National Shoot was presented by Mike Tatham**

The presentation of the results was for information purposes and required no action by Congress.

- 2. Proposal for New NCOWS 3 Pistol Shooting Category, Submitted by Jeff McIntosh**

Working Cowboy 3 pistol

Shooter may shoot in a shootist or duelist grip style using either smokeless or black powder using any NCOWS approved revolvers.

Shooter will shoot stages in the same manner as any other of the Working Cowboy classes. One pistol will be used as a pistol to engage the pistol targets of the stage and two pistols as the shooters rifle to engage the rifle targets of the stage. Shooter will stage and reload revolvers used as their rifle the same as any other pistol / rifle shooter as the stage description calls for.

I also propose this class be divided between men's and women's classes.

Bryan Buck moved to accept the proposal

John Torrence seconded the motion

The motion failed with 26 Nay and 4 Aye (Jeff Farmer, David Graley, Dave Lee, Celeste Mullins)

3. Proposal for definition of terms in By Law 9-4 to Clarify, Submitted by Bryan Buck

9-4. NCOWS Posse insurance benefit will be paid or reimbursed at the following rates:

The term "unique member" is defined as a home posse member who is not being used to count towards the insurance benefit on any other posse. They are paid current members, Individual, Charter, Life, Family, Senior, Junior, or Honorary, that are listed (for insurance purposes) on only one home posse roster. A member who is listed on more than one posse must declare a single posse as his/her 'Home Posse'.

The term "100% NCOWS membership" is defined as all members of the posse are current paid members of NCOWS, regardless of type of membership, be it Individual, Charter, Life, Family, Senior, Junior, or Honorary.

- 20 or more unique members and 100% NCOWS membership = 100% of the basic minimum premium for liability insurance.

- 20 or more unique members and less than 100% NCOWS membership = 50% of the basic minimum premium for liability insurance.
- 10-19 unique members and 100% NCOWS membership = 50% of the basic minimum premium for liability insurance.
- 10-19 unique members and less than 100% NCOWS membership = 25% of the basic minimum premium for liability insurance.

Posse must submit membership list and members NCOWS membership numbers at time of policy renewal. (Amended March, 2011, March 2013)

Underlined text is new

Mike Tatham moved to accept the proposal

Bob Dorian seconded the motion

Motion carried unanimously

4. Dave Lee presented a proposal to add Senior and Elder Three Gun categories.

Dave Lee's discussion was the cleanup of the 2013 Shooting class following the same format as Senior and Elder Two Gun and Four Gun categories

Dave Lee moved to accept the proposal

Ted Beechler seconded the motion

Since this proposal was not on the official agenda, no Congressional vote was taken. Dave Lee has the action to write the proposal up and submit it to the Secretary to disseminate to Congress for a vote at a later date.

5. Dave Scott brought forth a proposal for changing the dues over the next two years

Emergency Financial Recommendation

Articles of Incorporation Applicable:

Section 6.05. . All meetings of the Territorial Congress shall be conducted pursuant to a written agenda. For an item to be included on the agenda, it must be submitted not later than 30 days prior to the meeting. All members of the

Territorial Congress shall be provided a copy of the agenda not later than 20 days prior to the meeting. Items not appearing on the agenda may be discussed but not voted on unless declared and emergency item by a ¾ majority of those present.

In light of the Banker's report, it is obvious that NCOWS is losing money and Congress needs to take some action.

The Executive Committee has unanimously voted to recommend that Congress approve an increase in membership dues according to the following schedule:

- a) Individual memberships shall be increased \$10 over two years in \$5 annual increments. The first increment to be effective January 1, 2015, the second January 1, 2016.
- b) Senior memberships shall be increased \$10 over two years in \$5 annual increments. The first increment to be effective January 1, 2015, the second January 1, 2016.
- c) Junior memberships shall be increased \$5 effective January 1, 2015.
- d) Under Family memberships, each family member within the same household shall be increased \$5 effective January 1, 2015.

Ted Beechler made the motion that this proposal be made and emergency item per the Articles of Incorporation. The motion was seconded by Mike Tatham.

The motion to make the proposal an emergency action carried unanimously.

Brian Bauer made a motion to amend the proposal to add an item e) **Life membership shall be increased to \$700 effective January 1, 2015.** The motion was seconded by Bob Dorian.

Motion failed with 18 Nay and 2 Aye (Len Abels, David Birk)

No vote was called yet. The Marshal Dave Scott will call for the vote in approximately 60 days after the Representatives and Senators have had an opportunity to discuss the proposed increase in dues with the membership and posses.

6. Marshal Dave Scott discussed the Convention 2015. At this time, no Posse has stepped forward to host the Convention 2015. Under the by-laws, the Executive Committee will work out details at a later date.
7. A brief report on the 2014 National Shoot was brought by Dave Scott. It is the second weekend of June. A suggestion was made that the shooters package distributed at the shoot to include the information that all shooters should attend the banquet and awards ceremony in costume.
8. There being no further new business, Mike Tatham moved to adjourn.

Anastasia Hope seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

The 2014 meeting of the 35th Territorial Congress adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Appendix A – Banker's Reports

NCOWS 2013 FINANCIAL REPORT

INCOME

CATEGORY

13-SHOOT	\$ 8,114.00
INTEREST INC	\$ 4.25
13-CONVENTION	\$ 6,174.93
MEMBERSHIP	\$ 19,186.55
SHOOTIST ADVERTISING	\$ 354.00

TOTAL REVENUE \$ 33,833.73

EXPENSES

13-CONV	\$ 5,906.52
13-SHOOT	\$ 5,443.55
BANK SERVICE CHARGE	\$ 3.00
INSURANCE	\$ 8,660.11
OFFICE	\$ 1,314.81
OFFICE RENT	\$ 168.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$ 251.34
POSSE PROMOTION	\$ 499.00
POSTAGE AND DELIVERY	\$ 590.86
POSTAGE SHOOTIST ADV	\$ 76.88
SHOOTIST	\$ 9,486.00

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 32,400.07

NET INCOME \$ 1,433.66

TOTAL INFLOWS	8,114.00
TOTAL OUTFLOWS	5,443.55
NET INCOME	2,670.45

National Congress of Old West Shootists

Minutes of the 37th Congress, Springfield, MO

March 6, 2015

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Roll Call.

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Present by Proxy: Ted Beechler, Greg Sonnen, John Irons, Roger Ragland, Kevin Kilman

Absent:

Territorial Representatives present: Steve Jackson, Mike Scott, Gary Davison, Steve Sagaser, Dave Lee, Cliff Fendley, David Birk, Len Abels, Mike Owen, Thomas Spanton,

Present by Proxy: Jim Stephens, Larry Davis, John Holmes, Paul Jacobson, David Graley,

Absent: Dave Williams

Installation of New Senators and Representatives

Marshal Dave Scott presided over the swearing in of new Territorial Representatives and new Territorial Senators

Election of Officers

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Deputy Marshal, Ted Beechler

Banker, Joe Ray

Secretary, Bryan Buck

Judge, Mike Owen

With no other candidates nominated, all were elected unanimously.

Presentation of Minutes of the 36th Congress

A call to read the minutes from the 36th Congress was made.

Mark Smith moved to have Congress accept the minutes as posted and published in the magazine.

Seconded by Mike Owen.

The motion carried unanimously.

Bankers Report

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The three reports that were presented were disseminated by Joe Ray and included

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Dave Scott requested a report to be distributed at a later date of the Net Assets. Banker Joe Ray will prepare that report and distribute it.

Motion to accept the bankers report was made by John Torrence

Seconded by Mike Tatham.

Motion carried unanimously

Judge's Report

Judge Mike Owen reported on an oversight where the provisional approval for Gary Barnes' Thuer Conversion was not ever presented to vote of Congress 2 years ago. The current Authenticity Committee has reviewed the conversion and re-issued a provisional approval so production may begin. Marshal Dave Scott will call for a vote of Congress via email in 30-60 days.

Old Business

There was no old business

New Business

The agenda items for the 37th Congress, 2015 were addressed in the agenda order as published.

1. Proposal for Three-Gun Categories for Senior and Elder Age Based, by Dave Lee

The purpose of this proposal is to make the Three Gun classes available to Senior and Elder age-based categories.

Underlined italic text is new text to add to By-Law 10-1

Men's and Women's Three Gun Seniors:

Shall be open to those over age 60 only. Shooter uses two pistols and one rifle. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Men's and Women's Three Gun Elder:

Shall be open to those over the age of 70 only. Shooter uses two pistols and one rifle. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Dave Lee moved to accept the proposal.

Mike Owen seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Proposal for Extend Senate Photos and Biographies to 31 August, by John Irons

Purpose: To align the Territorial Senate election process with the publishing schedule of “The Shootist” magazine. The printing schedule of “The Shootist” magazine has changed from six bi-monthly issues to four quarterly issues. So the solicitation of Senate candidates needs to occur in the Summer (Jun-Aug) issue. This change will extend the deadline to the end of August so their platforms can appear in the Fall (Sep-Nov) issue. **Strikethrough text is old text to be removed, underline text is new text.**

4-2. Nominations for Territorial Senator must be received by the Secretary in their entirety, including the candidates' platforms, by ~~4~~ 31 August each year. The election of Territorial Senators will be completed by 1 December each year.

Len Abels moved to accept the proposal

Mike Owen seconded the motion

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Proposal to Update Range Rules and Regulations, by Bryan Buck

Currently the range rules do not document penalties for misses and procedural. I propose the following be added under the section “Safety and Procedure Rules for All National, Regional and NCOWS Posse Shoots” and be updated in the 2015 version of the Tally Book.

23. Penalty for a missed target is 10 seconds. If the counters are unsure if the shooter missed, it is not a miss.

24. Penalty for a procedural (shooting targets out of order, or otherwise not shooting the scenario as written) is 20 seconds.

Mike Owen moved to accept the proposal.

Mark Smith seconded the motion.

Len Abels moved to amend the proposal to read as follows:

23. Penalty for a missed target is 10 seconds. If the majority of the counters are unsure if the shooter missed, it is not a miss.

24. Penalty for a procedural (shooting targets out of order, or otherwise not shooting the scenario as written) is 10 seconds.

The motion was seconded by Mike Tatham.

Mark Smith moved to divide the motion into separate proposals.

Jeff McIntosh seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously

Vote was called on amended proposal “23. Penalty for a missed target is 10 seconds. If the majority of the counters are unsure if the shooter missed, it is not a miss.”

Motion carried unanimously

Vote called on amended proposal “24. Penalty for a procedural (shooting targets out of order, or otherwise not shooting the scenario as written) is 10 seconds.”

Motion failed with 20 Nay and 10 Aye (Mike Scott, Gary Davison, John Holmes, Len Abels, John Irons, Jim Reed, Roger Ragland, Dave Scott, John Torrence, John Hoker).

Final vote on original proposal as amended:

Motion carried unanimously

Final change to Rules and Regulations

23. Penalty for a missed target is 10 seconds. If the majority of the counters are unsure if the shooter missed, it is not a miss.

24. Penalty for a procedural (shooting targets out of order, or otherwise not shooting the scenario as written) is 20 seconds.

4. Proposal to Change the Minimum Age for Junior Shooters, by Robert Camarata

I would like to propose a rules change regarding the age of our youngest shooters. The change I would propose would be to drop 12 as the lower age for the two Junior classes, and substitute 10 as the lower age limit. Youth are our future, the more we get involved the better.

I am asking you to present this rule change to the Congress.

Best regards

Robert A. Camarata aka Paint Creek – NCOWS #LC100

By-Law Change:

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...

In addition to these classes, Chartered Clubs and special events may offer additional classes so long as they adhere to the general outline of these By-Laws. (Amended March, 2011) (Amended June 2013)

Strikethrough text is old text to be removed, underline text is new text.

Tom Spanton moved to accept the proposal.

John Torrence seconded the motion to accept the proposal.

Tom Spanton moved to amend the motion by taking out lower age limit, thus the wording.

The motion was seconded by Len Abels.

Boy's and Girl's Four Gun Juniors: Shall be open to those through 17 only. Shooter uses two pistols, one rifle and one shotgun. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Boy's and Girl's Two Gun Juniors: Shall be open to those through 17 only. Shooter uses one pistol and one rifle. May use any of the above shooting styles.

The motion to amend failed with 17 Nay and 13 Aye (Steve Jackson, Gary Davison, John Holmes, Dave Lee, Cliff Fendley, Len Abels, Tom Spanton, Ted Beechler, Joe Ray, Greg Sonnen, Anastasia Hope, John Torrence, John Hoker)

Original motion to accept the proposal failed with 25 Nay and 5 Aye (Steve Jackson, Steve Sagaser, Dave Lee, Paul Jacobson, Kevin Kilman)

No change to the by-laws

5. Proposal to Amend the Unapproved List, by Mike Owens

The Authenticity committee recommends that the new Winchester 1873 made by Miroku be placed on the unapproved list. The firing pin mechanism and hammer have been redesigned and the butt plate has also been changed. The rifle does not have a factory short stroke kit but the new internal design changes have significantly shortened the stroke.

Bryan Buck moved to accept the proposal.

Mike Tatham seconded the motion.

Discussion revealed that Winchester is now advertising it as manufactured with a factory shortened stroke.

Motion to place the new Winchester 1873 made by Miroku on the Unapproved List carried with 23 Aye and 7 Nay (Steve Jackson, Mike Scott, Gary Davison, Jim Stephens, Steve Sagaser, David Birk, Len Abels)

6. Proposal to Accept the Application for a New Posse, by John Saffran

John Saffran has provided application, by-laws, posse roster and funds to form a new posse in southeastern Wisconsin, The Sweetwater Regulators. Here is a link to their proposed website: www.sweetwaterregulators.com.

Bryan Buck moved to approve the new posse.

Joe Ray seconded the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

7. There being no further new business, Mark Smith moved to adjourn.

Mike Owen seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

The 2015 meeting of the 37th Territorial Congress adjourned at 9:03 pm.

8. On April 15, 2015, Marshal Dave Scott called for a congressional vote on the approval of the Thuer Conversion produced by GB Enterprises in Tolar TX (See “Judges Report” above). Secretary Bryan Buck sent via email a ballot on whether the Thuer Conversion should be approved for use by NCOWS. On May 4, 2015, all the votes were received from Congress members, and the motion to approve the GB Enterprises Thuer Conversion passed with 31 Aye and 1 Nay (Dave Lee).

9. On June 1, 2015, Marshal Dave Scott called for a congressional vote on the Cimarron Eliminator series of revolvers to be put on the Unapproved list as recommended by Executive Committee and Authenticity Committee. Secretary Bryan Buck sent via email a ballot to the members of Congress to vote on the recommendation. On this day, July 14, 2015, the NCOWS Congress has approved by electronic balloting

the Executive Committee and Authenticity Committee recommendation that the Cimarron Eliminator Series firearms be placed on the Unapproved list due to their factory short-stroked actions. The vote being 31 "aye" and 1 "nay" (Steve Sagaser dissenting), the Motion Passes. These firearms shall be added to the Unapproved list and changes to the Tally Book and website shall be made.

Appendix A – Banker's Reports

NCOWS ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT 2014

CATEGORY	INCOME/EXPENSE
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INCOME

14-Convention	\$ 9,817.49
14-Natl Shoot	\$ 1,952.32
10-Convention	\$ 225.00
Interest Inc	\$ 3.22
Membership	\$ 21,080.52
Miscellaneous	\$ 705.00
Shooter Surcharge	\$ 630.00
Shootist Advertising Income	\$ 644.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 35,057.55

EXPENSES

14-Convention	\$ 8,504.39
Bad Debt	\$ 115.00
Bank Charge	\$ 36.00
Deposit Error	\$ 15.00
Gifts Given (Trophy Engraving)	\$ 34.64
Insurance	\$ 7,082.21
Misc: NRA Membership & Award	
Medals	\$ 900.00
Office	\$ 1,638.40
Office-Supplies	\$ 241.38
Postage and Delivery	\$ 197.27

Shootist	\$	11,897.39
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	30,661.68
NET INCOME 2014	\$	4,395.87

2014 Convention Report

EXPENSES

Date	Account	Description	Memo	Tag	Amount
3/31/2014	NCOWS Checking	Ramada Oasis	Convention Package		\$ (6,936.10)
4/1/2014	NCOWS Checking	Double M Cowboys	Posse Fee to Convention Sponsor		\$ (1,000.00)
4/24/2014	NCOWS Checking	Berger Sharpshooters	Refund from Ladies Tea Donation		\$ (92.00)
1/29/2014	NCOWS Checking	Returned Check	Return Check Vender Registration		\$ (190.00)
1/29/2014	NCOWS Checking	Returned Check Charges	Wells Fargo Svc Charges		\$ (12.00)
3/28/2014	NCOWS Checking	Registration	Cash for Change		\$ (100.00)
4/7/2014	NCOWS Checking	Double M Cowboys	Shoot Registration		\$ (15.00)
4/7/2014	NCOWS Checking	Double M Cowboys	Shoot Registration		\$ (15.00)
			Refund Registration CK 2035 to Robert Laird		
5/21/2014	NCOWS Checking	Refund Missouri Boot & Shoe	Laird		\$ (60.00)
7/13/2014	NCOWS Checking	Co	Refund Conv registration		\$ (50.00)
3/24/2014	NCOWS Checking	FedEX	Copies for Congress Meeting		\$ (14.29)
					\$ (8,484.39)

INCOME

Date	Account	Description	Memo	Tag	Amount
1/6/2014	NCOWS Checking	Registration	7 Registrations, 2 Vendors		\$ 630.00
1/6/2014	NCOWS Checking	Double M Cowboys	Shoot Registration		\$ (20.00)
1/15/2014	NCOWS Checking	Registration	3 Registrations, 1 Vendors		\$ 380.00
1/23/2014	NCOWS Checking	Registration	2 Registrations, 2 Vendors		\$ 400.00

1/24/2014	NCOWS Checking	Registration	1 Registrations, 2 Vendors	\$ 455.00
1/31/2014	NCOWS Checking	Registration	3 Registrations	\$ 180.00
2/3/2014	NCOWS Checking	Registration	1 Registrations, 3 Vendors	\$ 330.00
2/10/2014	NCOWS Checking	Registration	1 Registrations,1 Vendors	\$ 240.00
2/13/2014	NCOWS Checking	Registration	1-Vendor (Replacement for Returned Check)	\$ 202.00
2/17/2014	NCOWS Checking	Hat Raffle	5 Tickets Terry Krause	\$ 20.00
2/21/2014	NCOWS Checking	Registration	2 Registrations, 1 Vendor	\$ 330.00
2/28/2014	NCOWS Checking	Registration	6 Registrations 2 Vendors 7 Banquets	\$ 770.00
3/7/2014	NCOWS Checking	Registration	16 Registrations 2 Vendors	\$ 1,177.00
3/8/2014	NCOWS Checking	Registration	1 Registration Ted Beechler	\$ 120.00
3/8/2014	NCOWS Checking	Hat Raffle	10 Tickets Mark Smith	\$ 40.00
3/10/2014	NCOWS Checking	Registration	1 Vendor Providence Tool CK # 1012	
3/10/2014	NCOWS Checking	Registration	MM Cowboys	\$ 160.00
3/13/2014	NCOWS Checking	Registration	7 Registration	\$ 415.00
3/19/2014	NCOWS Checking	Registration	5 Registration 1 extra Banquet	\$ 345.00
3/20/2014	NCOWS Checking	Registration	Cash John Jones	\$ 65.00
3/24/2014	NCOWS Checking	Registration	2 Registrations, 1 Vendor	\$ 405.00
3/24/2014	NCOWS Checking	Ladies Tea Donation	Sagaser and Covert	\$ 130.00
4/1/2014	NCOWS Checking	Registration	8 Late Registrations, Hat Raffle, Auction, Gate, Ladies Tea Donations	\$ 2,843.49
4/1/2014	NCOWS Checking	Registration	Cash for Change	\$ 100.00
3/20/2014	NCOWS Savings	Paypal Transfer	Robert Dorian	\$ 80.00
1/1/2014 - 12/31/2014				\$ 9,797.49
TOTAL INCOME				\$ 9,797.49
TOTAL EXPENSE				\$ 8,484.39
NET TOTAL				\$ 1,313.10

14-Natl Shoot

Date	Description	Memo	Amount
4/18/2014	Deposit	CK # 4284 Dart Liebrandt	\$ 95.00
4/21/2014	Deposit	CK # 3840 Jim Stephens	\$ 75.00
4/24/2014	Deposit	CK # 3441 Rick & Kay Followell	\$ 180.00
4/25/2014	Deposit	CK # 342 Glen Kreilein	\$ 95.00
4/28/2014	Deposit	5 Registrations 1 new Member	\$ 435.00
5/6/2014	Deposit	5 Registrations	\$ 470.00
5/8/2014	Deposit	CK # 4965 Jeff Saltzman	\$ 75.00
5/9/2014	Deposit	5 Registrations	\$ 435.00
5/12/2014	Deposit	5 Registrations	\$ 435.00
5/15/2014	Deposit	6 Registrations 1 New Member	\$ 510.00
5/29/2014	Deposit	10 Registrations	\$ 870.00
6/2/2014	Deposit	1 Registration & New Member Richard Black 1 Family Renewal	\$ 115.00
6/2/2014	Postage	Registration Forms to West Side Sportsman	\$ (1.61)
6/2/2014	Bank Error		\$ (10.00)
6/4/2014	Deposit	2 Registrations Jay West & Brad Matlock	\$ 175.00
6/14/2014	Jay West West Side Sportsman's	Booklet Printing	\$ (170.13)
6/14/2014	Club West Side Sportsman's	Shooters Fee	\$ (2,835.00)
6/14/2014	Club	Banquet	\$ (1,196.00)
6/14/2014	Blue Ribbon Awards	Badges	\$ (291.90)
6/14/2014	Dave Lee	Registration Refund	\$ (190.00)
6/16/2014	Deposit	Late Registrations, Side Matches and Trade Blanket	\$ 2,807.00
7/10/2014	Deposit	3 Registrations 1 New Member	\$ 345.00
7/10/2014	COL Bishops Regulators	Posse Fee for Conducting Shoot	\$ (500.00)
7/14/2014	Staples	Awards Debit J. Irons	\$ (38.48)
7/15/2014	USPS	Debit J. Irons Postage for Medals	\$ (111.56)
7/21/2014	Deposit	2 Registrations 1 Membership (Crow & Birk)	\$ 180.00

NET INCOME \$ 1,952.32

TOTAL INCOME \$ 7,297.00

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ (5,344.68)

NET
TOTAL \$ 1,952.32

National Congress of Old West Shootists

Minutes of the 38th Congress, Davenport IA **March 11, 2016**

6:30 PM

Senate and Representative Caucus

Representative Caucus: Nine Representatives were in attendance and eight Representatives by proxy (see Roll Call). Representative Tom Spanton was elected to the position of Chair of the Territorial Representatives.

Senate Caucus: Twelve Senators were in attendance and three Senators by proxy (see Roll Call). Senator John Torrence was elected as Chair of the Territorial Senate.

7:00 PM

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Marshall Scott called the Congress to order at 7:00 PM
Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Roll Call.

Senators present: Bryan Buck, Caroline Buck, Michael Fischer, John Hoker, John Irons, Jeff McIntosh, Joe Ray, Jim Reed, Dave Scott, Mark Smith, Mike Tatham, John Torrence
Present by Proxy: Ted Beechler, Patrick Postell, Roger Ragland

Absent:

Territorial Representatives present: Len Abels, Dustin Fritschle, Anastasia Hope, Dave Lee, Mike Owen, John Saffran, Mike Scott, Thomas Spanton, Dave Williams

Present by Proxy: Larry Davis, Gary Davison, Cliff Fendley, David Graley, John Holmes, Bonnie Jackson, Paul Jacobson, Steve Sagaser

Absent:

Installation of New Senators and Representatives

Marshal Dave Scott presided over the swearing in of new Territorial Representatives and new Territorial Senators

Presentation of Minutes of the 37th Congress

A call to read the minutes from the 37th Congress was made.

Mark Smith moved to have Congress accept the minutes as posted and published in the magazine.

Seconded by Caroline Buck.

The motion carried unanimously.

Bankers Report

Banker's report was prepared by Banker Joe Ray and was sent to three independent reviewers. The financial reviewers this year were John Covert, Rob Brannon, and David Hollandsworth. Covert and Brannon responded that all appeared in order and no discrepancies were found. Hollandsworth did not respond.

The three reports that were presented were disseminated by Joe Ray and included

1. 2015 Annual Report
2. 2015 National Convention
3. 2015 National Shoot Report

Copies of the reports are appended to these minutes as Appendix A.

Motion to accept the bankers report was made by Mike Tatham, Seconded by Dave Lee.

Motion carried unanimously

Reports of Other Officers

None presented

Election of Officers

Marshal, Ted Beechler

Deputy Marshal, Mike Tatham

Banker, Joe Ray

Secretary, Bryan Buck

Judge, Mike Owen

With no other candidates nominated, all were elected by acclamation.

At this point, with Ted Beechler Absent, the new Deputy Marshal began to preside over the meeting.

Chair of the Territorial Senate, John Torrence

Chair of the Territorial Representatives, Tom Spanton

Old Business

There was no old business

New Business

The agenda items for the 38th Congress, 2016 were addressed in the agenda order as published.

1. Proposal to Change Procedural Penalty in Range Rules and Regulations, by Ted Beechler

I propose the following be amended the section "Safety and Procedure Rules for All National, Regional and NCOWS Posse Shoots" and be updated in the 2016 version of the Tally Book.

24. Penalty for a procedural (shooting targets out of order, or otherwise not shooting the scenario as written) is ~~20~~**10** seconds.

Strike through text is text to be removed, bold italic is new text.

Bryan Buck moved to accept the proposal.

Mike Scott seconded the motion.

Motion failed with a split vote of 16 Aye, 16 Nay

Aye: Len Abels, Ted Beechler, Caroline Buck, Larry Davis, Gary Davison, David Graley, John Hoker, John Holmes, Bonnie Jackson, Roger Ragland, Jim Reed, Dave Scott, Mike Scott, Tom Spanton, John Torrence, Dave Williams

Nay: Bryan Buck, Cliff Fendley, Michael Fischer, Dustin Fritschle, Anastasia Hope, John Irons, Paul Jacobson, Dave Lee, Jeff McIntosh, Mike Owen, Patrick Postell, Joe Ray, John Saffran, Steve Sagaser, Mark Smith, Mike Tatham

2. Proposal to Add “Cowboy Code” to Range Rules and Regulations, by Ted Beechler

I propose the following be added the section “Safety and Procedure Rules for All National, Regional and NCOWS Posse Shoots” and be updated in the 2016 version of the Tally Book.

25. NCOWS members faithfully abide by a set of principles so that our events can be representative of the old west. It was a time when failure to honor commitments often had disastrous results. The Indian wars are classic examples of the results of such failures. By agreeing to participate in an NCOWS’ shooting competitions, a shooter promises to obey NCOWS’ shooting competition rules and the stage instructions. A willful violation of the stage instructions to gain a better score will result in the shooter being assessed a 30 second penalty for violating the “Cowboy Code”. This “Cowboy Code” penalty will be added to the shooter’s score in addition to any penalties for misses and procedurals. Two “Cowboy Code” penalties within a match will result in a Match Disqualification.

The “Cowboy Code” penalty will be awarded if all stage spotters and the time keeper come to a unanimous conclusion that a violation as stated above has been committed.

Strike through text is text to be removed, bold italic is new text.

Dave Scott moved to accept the proposal

John Torrence seconded the motion

John Irons offered an amendment to the proposal by striking the words “NCOWS members faithfully abide by a set of principles so that our events can be

representative of the old west. It was a time when failure to honor commitments often had disastrous results. The Indian wars are classic examples of the results of such failures. By agreeing to participate in an NCOWS' shooting competitions, a shooter promises to obey NCOWS' shooting competition rules and the stage instructions."

John Irons moved to accept the amendment

Dave Scott seconded the motion

Motion carried unanimously.

The proposal as amended was called to vote:

25. A willful violation of the stage instructions to gain a better score will result in the shooter being assessed a 30 second penalty for violating the "Cowboy Code". This "Cowboy Code" penalty will be added to the shooter's score in addition to any penalties for misses and procedural. Two "Cowboy Code" penalties within a match will result in a Match Disqualification.

The "Cowboy Code" penalty will be awarded if all stage spotters and the time keeper come to a unanimous conclusion that a violation as stated above has been committed.

Motion carried 22 Aye, 10 Nay.

Nay: Len Abels, Gary Davison, Cliff Fendley, Michael Fischer, David Graley, Paul Jacobson, Jeff McIntosh, Mike Owen, Patrick Postell, Mark Smith

3. Proposal to Amend the Approved List, by Mike Owen

The Authenticity Committee has recommended that Tresco (Ampco) and Slix-Shot nipples be placed on the approved list for cap and ball revolvers. These replacement nipples do not change the design of the revolver nor do they eliminate cap jams. It is felt that they afford no real advantage over standard nipples.

Bryan Buck moved accept the proposal.

Joe Ray seconded the motion.

The motion carried 31 Aye, 1 Nay

Nay: David Graley

4. Proposal to Amend the Unapproved List, by Mike Owen

The Authenticity Committee has recommended that the so called “Manhattan Conversion” or other modification or cap guard to a percussion revolver to retain fired caps be added to the Unapproved list under “Gun Modifications”, as this type of modification clearly provides an advantage to the shooter over those shooting traditional revolvers.

Bryan Buck moved to accept the proposal.

Joe Ray seconded the motion.

The motion to carried unanimously

5. Proposal to change the NCOWS special first time membership by Bryan Buck

With the rising cost of membership, it is proposed that the special, first time membership fee on National and Regional Shoots be raised to \$30 effective 1 January 2016 to more align with the current 2016 membership fee structure.

Tom Spanton moved to accept the proposal.

Mike Owen seconded the motion.

Motion carried with 30 Aye, 1 Nay, 1 Abstain

Nay: Gary Davison

Abstain: Paul Jacobson

Item 9 on the agenda was a discussion topic rather than a proposal. The discussion regarded the simplifying the shooting categories to a less cumbersome number of classes.

At this point, Dave Lee suggested that we jump forward on the agenda to Item 9 to have this discussion prior to addressing the new proposals for adding shooting classes.

Dave Lee moved we skip to discussion item 9

Anastasia Hope seconded the motion

Motion carried with 30 Aye, 2Nay

Nay: Michael Fischer, John Irons

Discussion ensued where most were in agreement that the number of shooting classes needed to be simplified and revamped. Senator Dave Scott urged

Congress to consider a way to fix the shooting class bloat. Discussion was closed after 30 minutes. And the order was returned to the agenda.

6. Proposal to Add New Shooting Category, by Duane Butt

I would like to see a three gun class where one pistol, one pistol caliber rifle, and one shotgun is used. This seems more of what would have been carried and used in the Old west. Here is what we came up with.

By-Law 10: Rules and Regulations

Men's and Women's Three Gun Smokeless Shootist Homesteader: Shooter uses one pistol, one pistol caliber rifle, and one shotgun. Shooters may shoot smokeless powder and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip.

Men's and Women's Three Gun Black Powder Shootist Homesteader: Shooter uses one pistol, one pistol caliber rifle and one shotgun. Shooter must shoot black powder or approved black powder substitute powder in all firearms except those chambered for rimfire cartridges, and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip.

Men's and Women's Three Gun Smokeless Duelist Homesteader: Shooter uses one pistol, and one pistol caliber rifle and one shotgun. Shooters may shoot smokeless powder and must fire handguns using a one-handed grip.

Men's and Women's Three Gun Black Powder Duelist Homesteader: Shooter uses one pistol, and one pistol caliber rifle and one shotgun. Shooter must shoot black powder or approved black powder substitute powder in all firearms except those chambered for rimfire cartridges, and must fire handguns using a one-handed grip.

Men's and Women's Three Gun Seniors Homesteader: Shall be open to those over age 60 only. Shooter uses one pistol, one pistol caliber rifle, and one shotgun. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Men's and Women's Three Gun Elder Homesteader: Shall be open to those over the age of 70 only. Shooter uses one pistol, one pistol caliber rifle, and one shotgun. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Boy's and Girl's Three Gun Juniors: Shall be open to those 12 through 17 only. Shooter uses one pistol, one pistol caliber rifle, and one shotgun. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Duane Butt
AKA: Buckshot Butt #3548
Underline text is new text.

No motion was made, proposal died on the floor.

7. Proposal For Further Separation of Senior and Elder Categories, by John Irons

Proposal to revise By-Law 10-1 by adding “powder used” and “shooting style” separation to the Senior and Elder shooting categories. Replace the below old Senior and Elder categories with the below new Senior and Elder categories.

OLD SENIOR AND ELDER CATEGORIES

Men’s and Women’s Four Gun Seniors: Shall be open to those over age 60 only. Shooter uses two pistols, one rifle and one shotgun. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Men’s and Women’s Three Gun Seniors: Shall be open to those over age 60 only. Shooter uses two pistols and one rifle. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Men’s and Women’s Two Gun Seniors: Shall be open to those over age 60 only. Shooter uses one pistol and one rifle. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Men’s and Women’s Four Gun Elder: Shall be open to those over the age of 70 only. Shooter uses two pistols, one rifle and one shotgun. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Men’s and Women’s Three Gun Elder: Shall be open to those over the age of 70 only. Shooter uses two pistols and one rifle. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Men’s and Women’s Two Gun Elder: Shall be open to those over the age of 70 only. Shooter uses one pistol and one rifle. May use any of the above shooting styles.

NEW SENIOR AND ELDER CATEGORIES

Men’s and Women’s Four Gun Senior Smokeless Shootist: Open to those age 60 and over. Shooter uses two pistols, one shotgun, and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooters may shoot smokeless powder and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip.

Men's and Women's Three Gun Senior Smokeless Shootist: Open to those age 60 and over. Shooter uses two pistols and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooters may shoot smokeless powder and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip.

Men's and Women's Two Gun Senior Smokeless Shootist Working Cowboy: Open to those age 60 and over. Shooter uses one pistol and one pistol caliber rifle. No Gun Carts are to be used at any time. Shooters may shoot smokeless powder and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip.

Men's and Women's Four Gun Senior Black Powder Shootist: Open to those age 60 and over. Shooter uses two pistols, one shotgun, and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooter must shoot black powder or approved black powder substitute powder in all firearms except those chambered for rimfire cartridges, and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip. Shotguns may NOT include any model of pump shotgun.

Men's and Women's Three Gun Senior Black Powder Shootist: Open to those age 60 and over. Shooter uses two pistols and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooter must shoot black powder or approved black powder substitute powder in all firearms except those chambered for rimfire cartridges, and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip.

Men's and Women's Two Gun Senior Black Powder Shootist Working Cowboy: Open to those age 60 and over. Shooter uses one pistol and one pistol caliber rifle. No Gun Carts are to be used at any time. Shooter must shoot black powder or approved black powder substitute powder in all firearms except those chambered for rimfire cartridges, and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip.

Men's and Women's Four Gun Elder Smokeless Shootist: Open to those age 70 and over. Shooter uses two pistols, one shotgun, and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooters may shoot smokeless powder and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip.

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No motion was made, proposal died on the floor.

8. Proposal for 2-gun Pistooleer Category, submitted by Mark Smith

Proposal adds 2-gun Pistooleer Category; 1-Pistol, 1-Rifle

Usual rules and restrictions currently used for 4-gun and 3-gun Pistooleer would apply to this new category.

*Only Blackpowder or NCOWS approved blackpowder substitute propellants are to be used.

*Only one NCOWS approved Percussion revolver is to be used and fired one-handed duelist style.

*Only pre-1873 rifle or carbine to used, e.g. 1860 Henry, Spencer, Model of 1866 Winchester. Rifle to be chambered in NCOWS approved pistol caliber cartridge.

No motion was made, proposal died on the floor.

9. Discussion on 2017 Convention – 2016 hosts willing to present the convention again in 2017. The Executive Committee will accept proposals for the 2017 Convention.

10. 2016 National Shoot was confirmed to be 8-11 June 2016, with a different menu for the banquet

11. There being no further new business, Len Abels moved to adjourn.

Mark Smith seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

The 2016 meeting of the 38th Territorial Congress adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Appendix A – Banker’s Reports

TREASURES REPORT

1/1/2015-12-31/2015

INCOME		
CATEGORY		AMOUNT
15-National Shoot		\$ 1,791.23
Bob Beaverson Memorial		\$ 225.00
Hoss Jackson Memorial		\$ 760.00
15-Convention		\$ 1,027.35
Membership		\$ 16,895.01
Merchandise		\$ 26.00
Shootist Advertising		\$ 770.00
Interest		\$ 2.97
	TOTAL INCOME	\$ 21,497.56
EXPENSE		
Insurance		\$ 6,878.15
Misc Award Medals		\$ 542.00
Office		\$ 1,440.52
Office Rent		\$ 228.00
Postage & Delivery		\$ 725.41
Shootist		\$ 10,129.85
16-Convention		\$ 294.00
	TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 20,237.93
	INCOME	\$ 21,497.56
	EXPENSE	\$ (20,237.93)
	NET INCOME	\$ 1,259.63
1/1/2015	Cash on Hand/Beginning Balance	14004.33
12/31/2015	Cash on Hand/Ending Balance	15263.96
	NET INCOME	\$ 1,259.63

2015 NATIONAL CONVENTION

DATE		DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	
	INCOME			
1/7/2015	DEP	Deposit	Registration	\$ 540.00
1/16/2015	DEP	Deposit	Registration	\$ 655.00
1/30/2015	DEP	Deposit	3 Registration, 1 Vendor	\$ 730.00
2/2/2015	DEP	Deposit	5 Registration, 2 Vendor	\$ 525.00
2/9/2015	DEP	Deposit	8 Registration	\$ 480.00
2/18/2015	DEP	Deposit	16 Registration, 5 Vendor	\$ 1,560.00
2/27/2015	DEP	Deposit	11 Registrations	\$ 630.00
3/2/2015	DEP	Deposit	7 Registration	\$ 420.00
3/2/2015	DEP	Deposit	Ladies Tea Donation (John Covert)	\$ 15.00
			Gate, Tea Donations, Auctions, &	
3/10/2015	DEP	Deposit	Raffle	\$ 3,394.00
3/10/2015	DEP	Deposit	Cash for Change Drawer	\$ 200.00
			TOTAL INCOME	\$ 9,149.00
	EXPENSE			
2/19/2015	2065	Gary Feauto	Registration Refund	\$ (60.00)
3/2/2015	2066	Jack Bursovsky	Registration Refund	\$ (180.00)
3/3/2015	Debit	Misc	Cash for Change Drawer	\$ (200.00)
			Debit J. Ray Printing for Convention	
3/3/2015	Debit	Debit	Report	\$ (19.97)
3/7/2015	2067	Double M Cowboys	Posse Fee to Convention Sponsor	\$ (1,000.00)
3/7/2015	2068	Ramada Oasis	Convention Package	\$ (4,890.90)
3/7/2015	2069	Bolivar Elks Club	Casino Night Equipment	\$ (300.00)
3/7/2015	2070	Runner Hudson	Banquet Entertainment	\$ (100.00)
3/10/2015	2071	Ramada Oasis	Additional Banquet Meals	\$ (139.39)
3/19/2015	2072	Ramada Oasis	Convention Package not charged	\$ (1,231.39)
			TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ (8,121.65)
			NET INCOME	\$ 1,027.35

2015 NATIONAL SHOOT

DATE	DESCRIPTION	MEMO	AMOUNT
4/3/2015	Deposit	3 Registration	\$ 260.00
4/6/2015	Deposit	1 Registration	\$ 95.00
4/13/2015	Deposit	2 Registration	\$ 150.00
4/15/2015	Deposit	2 Registration	\$ 190.00
4/27/2015	Deposit	2 Registration	\$ 180.00
5/11/2015	Deposit	14 Registration	\$ 1,155.00
5/15/2015	Deposit	3 Registration	\$ 250.00
5/18/2015	Deposit	3 Registration	\$ 235.00
5/20/2015	Deposit	2 Registration	\$ 150.00
5/27/2015	Deposit	5 Registration	\$ 390.00
5/28/2015	Deposit	4 Registration	\$ 375.00
5/29/2015	Deposit	3 Registrations	\$ 240.00
6/1/2015	Deposit	2 Registrations	\$ 185.00
6/1/2015	Deposit	5 Registrations	\$ 450.00
6/4/2015	Deposit	2 Registrations	\$ 150.00
6/5/2015	Deposit	2 Registrations	\$ 170.00
6/8/2015	Deposit	2 Registrations	\$ 170.00
6/16/2015	Deposit	Late Registrations	\$ 2,300.00
		TOTAL INCOME	\$ 7,095.00
EXPENSES	Payee		
5/27/2015	USPS	Debit J. Irons	\$ (1.19)
6/14/2015	CoL Bishops Regulators	Posse Fee	\$ (500.00)
6/14/2015	West Side Sportsman's Club	Banquet	\$ (1,235.00)
6/14/2015	West Side Sportsman's Club	Shoot Fee	\$ (2,940.00)
6/16/2015	Blue Ribbon Awards	Badges	\$ (307.83)
8/14/2015	Jay West	Booklet Printing	\$ (214.00)
6/1/2015	Howard D. Carder	Refund for National Shoot	\$ (100.00)
6/4/2015	USPS	Debit J. Ray	\$ (5.75)
		TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ (5,303.77)
		TOTAL INCOME	\$ 7,095.00
		TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ (5,303.77)
			\$ 1,791.23

National Congress of Old West Shootists

Minutes of the 39th Congress, Davenport IA **March 24, 2017**

6:30 PM

Senate and Representative Caucus

Representative Caucus: Eight Representatives were in attendance and six Representatives by proxy (see Roll Call). Three Representatives were absent. Representative Tom Spanton was elected to the position of Chair of the Territorial Representatives.

Senate Caucus: Twelve Senators were in attendance and two Senators by proxy (see Roll Call). One Senator was absent. Senator Mark Smith was elected as Chair of the Territorial Senate.

7:00 PM

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Acting Marshall Tatham called the Congress to order at 7:00 PM
Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Roll Call.

Senators present: David Birk, Bryan Buck, Caroline Buck, Michael Fischer, John Hoker, Jeff McIntosh, Patrick Postell, Joe Ray, Dave Scott, Mark Smith, Mike Tatham, John Torrence

Present by Proxy: Ted Beechler, John Irons

Absent: Jim Reed

Territorial Representatives present: Len Abels, Gary Davison, Anastasia Hope, Kenneth Miller, Mike Owen, John Saffran, Mike Scott, Thomas Spanton

Present by Proxy: Larry Davis, Cliff Fendley, David Graley, Bonnie Jackson, Paul Jacobson, Steve Sagaser

Absent: Dustin Fritschle, John Holmes, Russ Sebetka

Installation of New Senators and Representatives

Secretary Bryan Buck presided over the swearing in of new Territorial Representatives and new Territorial Senators.

Election of Officers

Marshal, Ted Beechler

Deputy Marshal, Mike Tatham

Banker, Joe Ray

Secretary, Bryan Buck

Judge, John Torrence
Chair of the Territorial Senate, Mark Smith
Chair of the Territorial Representatives, Tom Spanton
Editor, John Irons remains appointed

Presentation of Minutes of the 38th Congress

A call to read the minutes from the 38th Congress was made.

Mike Scott moved to have Congress accept the minutes as posted and published in the magazine.

Seconded by Caroline Buck.

The motion carried unanimously.

Bankers Report

Banker's report was prepared by Banker Joe Ray and was sent to two independent reviewers. The financial reviewers this year were John Covert, and Dart Liebrandt. Covert and Liebrandt responded that all appeared in order and no discrepancies were found.

The three reports that were presented were disseminated by Joe Ray and included

1. 2016 Treasurer's Annual Report
2. 2016 National Convention
3. 2016 National Shoot Report

Copies of the reports are appended to these minutes as Appendix A.

Motion to accept the bankers report was made by Caroline Buck, Seconded by Anastasia Hope.

Motion carried unanimously

Reports of Other Officers

None presented

Old Business

There was no old business

New Business

Acting Marshal Mike Tatham chose to address agenda items for the 39th Congress, 2017 in an order different than in the published agenda. Purpose was for expediency. Below new business, the published numbers of the agenda items are retained to avoid confusion.

1. Proposal to Add Minimum Competitors of 3 to Classes, Submitted by Jeff McIntosh

This proposal is to set the minimum number of competitors in a shooting class for regional and national events to 3 people.

10-4. National and Regional NCOWS sanctioned matches require a minimum of 3 competitors in any class in order to be eligible for awards.

10-4 (a) A participant of any NCOWS approved shooting class not meeting a minimum of 3 participants at a National or Regional match shall have the opportunity to change to a shooting class with the minimum number of participants.

10-4 (b) Alternatively, the shooter may choose to remain shooting in his or hers chosen class with the knowledge that no awards will be given in a class that does not meet the minimum number of participants. The scores will be tallied and posted in the same manner as shooters participating in classes with the minimum number of shooters.

10-4 (c) Participants in classes not meeting the minimum number of shooters will be given the opportunity to change to a class which meets the minimum number of shooters up to the time of the safety meeting on the first day of the main match of any NCOWs sanctioned regional or national shoot.

Bold is new text

Bryan Buck moved to accept the proposal.

Mike Owen seconded the motion.

Motion Passed with a vote of 25 Aye, 3 Nay

Nay: Len Abels, John Saffran, Tom Spanton.

2. Proposed Changes to Approved and Unapproved Lists, Submitted by Bryan Buck

The Approved list and Unapproved list addresses Derringers. Derringers are side match only firearms for the most part, and the way the lists are constructed requires NCOWS members to purchase used firearms 50 or more years old in order to pass the list. This can present a safety hazard, as there are no current manufactured derringers on the list, and the shooters are required to purchase used derringers of dubious condition. Having shot many derringers over the course of my life, I can say that no one derringer will give a side match shooter an advantage over another shooter. If we rescind the previous authorizations and bans, that allows a member that might want to invest in a derringer for side matches to do so with a quality, newly manufactured and proofed derringer

2.a) It is proposed that the Approved List be changed to delete the current Derringer section as follows:

~~Derringer Reproductions~~

~~Chiappa Double Eagle~~

~~EIG~~

~~Rohm 17~~

~~Western Arms~~

~~Excam TA38~~

~~FIE D38~~

~~Uberti/IAR 38 Special/357 (small frame)~~

Strikethrough text is to be removed

Len Abels moved to accept the proposal.

Caroline Buck seconded the motion

Motion carried unanimously

2.b) It is proposed that the Unapproved List be changed to delete the current Derringer section as follows:

~~Derringers~~

~~Bond Arms Texas Defender~~

~~Bond Arms Cowboy Defender~~

~~Cobra Enterprises, all models~~

~~Uberti Maverick large frame 357 Mag and 45 Colt~~

Strikethrough text is to be removed

Bold is new text

Bryan Buck revised the proposal during presentation to read on 2.b, revise the Unapproved list as follows

Derringers

~~Bond Arms Texas Defender~~ **Derringers**

~~Bond Arms Cowboy Defender~~

~~Cobra Enterprises, all models~~ **Titan**

Uberti Maverick large frame 357 Mag and 45 Colt

Dave Scott moved to accept the proposal as revised by Bryan Buck
Mark Smith seconded the motion

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Proposed change to By-Law 1-3b-1 by adding the underlined text. Submitted by John Irons #L129

1-3b-1 All Posse events shall be sanctioned events and shall adhere to all bylaws and regulation. Posses must hold a minimum of two events (do not need to be shooting events) per calendar year, and they must be published in The Shootist magazine.

Underline text is new

Mike Owen moved accept the proposal.

Mark Smith seconded the motion.

The motion carried 26 Aye, 2 Nay

Nay: David Graley, Paul Jacobson

9. Shooting Class Change in By-Law 10, Submitted by Jack Bursovsky NCOWS member #1717

The intent of this motion is to combine and simplify the NCOWS class structure as it is the general feeling of every NCOWS member that I have talked to, that we have too many classes. I feel that if we combine the powder choices, and age except for elder statesman and Juniors, we will greatly reduce the number of classes that we have and thus make it easier on all Posse's.

By-Law 10: Rules and Regulations

10. Shooting Class Change in By-Law 10, Submitted by Jack Bursovsky NCOWS member #1717

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By-Law 10: Rules and Regulations

10-1. NCOWS shooting classes are unique and offer the shooter a greater variety of firearm options. These options are in keeping with the various ways in which someone might have equipped themselves in the old West. All NCOWS shooting classes as established by By-Law must be made available to all shooters at each National, Regional or Charter shoot. These classes shall be:

Men's and Women's Four Gun Smokeless Shootist: Shooter uses two pistols, one shotgun, and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooter may shoot smokeless powder or black powder or approved substitute and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip.

Men's and Women's Three Gun Smokeless Shootist: Shooter uses two pistols and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooters may shoot smokeless powder or black powder or approved substitute and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip.

Men's and Women's Two gun Smokeless Shootist Working Cowboy: Shooter uses one pistol and one pistol caliber rifle. No Gun Carts are to be used at any time. Shooters may shoot smokeless powder or black powder or approved substitute, and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip.

~~**Men's and Women's Four Gun Black Powder Shootist:** Shooter uses two pistols, one shotgun, and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooter must shoot black powder or approved black powder substitute powder in all firearms except those chambered for rimfire cartridges and may fire handguns using a two handed grip.~~

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Men's and Women's Four Gun Smokeless Duelist: Shooter uses two pistols, one shotgun, and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooters may shoot smokeless powder or black powder or approved black powder substitute, and must fire handguns using a one-handed grip.

Men's and Women's Three Gun Smokeless Duelist: Shooter uses two pistols and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooters may shoot smokeless powder or black powder or approved black powder substitute powder and must fire handguns using a one-handed grip.

Men's and Women's Two Gun Smokeless Duelist Working Cowboy: Shooter uses one pistol and one pistol caliber rifle. No gun carts are to be used at any time. Shooters may shoot smokeless powder or black powder or approved black powder substitute powder and must fire handgun using a one-handed grip.

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Men's and Women's Four Gun Pistooleer: Shooter uses two pistols, one shotgun and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooters are restricted to the use of percussion revolvers, pre-1873 percussion or original/authentic reproductions of rimfire cartridge pocket pistols, exposed hammer double-barreled shotguns (percussion or cartridge) and reproduction or original pre-1873 pistol caliber repeating rifles (e.g. 1860 Henry, Spencer, 1866 Winchester, etc.). Shooters must shoot black powder or approved black powder substitute powder in all firearms except those chambered for rimfire cartridges. Pistols ~~and revolvers~~ must be shot one-handed. Pistooleer shooters will shoot the same course of fire as the other competitors except that in a stage requiring more than two shotgun rounds the Pistooleer shooter would not be required to shoot the extra rounds.

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~~**Men's and Women's Four Gun Seniors:** Shall be open to those over age 60 only. Shooter uses two pistols, one rifle and one shotgun. May use any of the above shooting styles.~~

~~**Men's and Women's Three Gun Seniors:** Shall be open to those over age 60 only. Shooter uses two pistols, and one rifle. May use any of the above shooting styles.~~

~~**Men's and Women's Two Gun Seniors:** Shall be open to those over age 60 only. Shooter uses one pistol and one rifle. May use any of the above shooting styles.~~

Men's and Women's Four Gun Elder: Shall be open to those over the age of 70 only. Shooter uses two pistols, one rifle and one shotgun. May use any of the above shooting styles smokeless powder or black powder or approved black powder substitute. Shooter may shoot either two-handed or one handed.

Men's and Women's Three Gun Elder: Shall be open to those over the age of 70 only. Shooter uses two pistols and one rifle. May use any of the above shooting styles smokeless powder or black powder or approved black powder substitute powder. Shooter may shoot either two-handed or one-handed.

Men's and Women's Two Gun Elder: Shall be open to those over the age of 70 only. Shooter uses one pistol and one rifle. May use any of the above shooting styles smokeless powder or black powder or approved black powder substitute powder. Shooter may shoot either two-handed or one-handed.

Boy's and Girl's Four Gun Juniors: Shall be open to those 12 through 17 only. Shooter uses two pistols, one rifle and one shotgun. May use any of the above shooting styles smokeless powder or black powder or approved black powder substitute powder. Shooter may shoot either two-handed or one-handed.

Boy's and Girl's Two Gun Juniors: Shall be open to those 12 through 17 only. Shooter uses one pistol and one rifle. May use any of the above shooting styles smokeless powder or black powder or approved black powder substitute powder. Shooter may shoot either two-handed or one-handed.

Men's and Women's Originals: Shooter uses two guns, ne rifle and one pistol to complete the course of fire. This class must be shot duelist /traditional style. Must have three originals present to have the class. For complete rules and regulations see Appendix A at the back of the Tally Book.

In addition to these classes, Chartered Clubs and special events may offer additional classes so long as they adhere to the general outline of the By-Laws.

10-2: Smokeless powder loads shall not exceed the maximum muzzle velocities of comparable black powder loads, e.g. 1500 fps for single shot cartridge rifles; 1300 fps for lever action rifles; 1000fps for handguns. Smokeless loads may be chronographed and certified by the Judge before the shooter will be allowed to compete. No loading below manufacture's recommendation. Minimum velocity for any main match firearm is 600fps or published loading data.

10-3: The Territorial Congress, in conjunction with the Authenticity Committee and Executive Committee, shall establish and maintain official NCOWS Rules and Regulations to govern approved firearms, calibers, and load, and clothing and accouterments, and range rules and regulations

**** Removed text is struck through, added text is underlined ****

Bryan Buck moved accept the proposal.

Mike Scott seconded the motion.

The motion failed 1 Aye, 27 Nay

Aye: Mike Scott

11. Proposal to Simplify the Shooting Classes for the National Congress of Old West Shootists

There shall be forty-eight shooting classes by means of four categories:

- Gender
- Age
- Powder
- Number of Firearms

These categories are divided as such:

Gender: Men, Women

Age: Sub-junior (age 12 and under), Junior (13-17), Adult (age 18 and older), Elder (age 70 and older)

Powder: Black, Smokeless

Number of Firearms: Four-gun (two pistol, one rifle, one shotgun), Three-gun (two pistol, one rifle), Two-gun (one pistol, one rifle)

Shooting Classes Breakdown					
Gender	Age	Powder	Number of Firearms		
			4-Gun (2P,1R,1S)	3-Gun (2P,1R)	2-Gun (1P,1R)
Men	Sub-junior (12 and under)	Black	1	2	3
		Smokeless	4	5	6
	Junior (13-17)	Black	7	8	9
		Smokeless	10	11	12
	Adult (18+)	Black	13	14	15
		Smokeless	16	17	18
	Elder (70+)	Black	19	20	21
		Smokeless	22	23	24
Women	Sub-junior (12 and under)	Black	25	26	27
		Smokeless	28	29	30
	Junior (13-17)	Black	31	32	33
		Smokeless	34	35	36
	Adult (18+)	Black	37	38	39
		Smokeless	40	41	42
	Elder (70+)	Black	43	44	45
		Smokeless	46	47	48 classes

Statistical analysis for the rationale for these changes is to be given by discussion at the convention. This proposal is submitted by:

Alex Ray
Mr. Alex
#2751

Alex Ray redefined the "Powder" Term to be Traditional (one handed hold with black powder or approved black powder substitute) and Open (one hand hold or two hand hold with smokeless, two hand hold with black powder or approved black powder substitute). Revised table as follows:

Shooting Classes Breakdown					
Gender	Age	Style	Number of Firearms		
			4-Gun (2P,1R,1S)	3-Gun (2P,1R)	2-Gun (1P,1R)
Men	Sub-junior (12 and under)	Traditional	1	2	3
		Open	4	5	6
	Junior (13-17)	Traditional	7	8	9
		Open	10	11	12
	Adult (18+)	Traditional	13	14	15
		Open	16	17	18
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		Open	34	35	36
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		Open	40	41	42
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		Open	46	47	48 classes

Pistoleer (4 gun and 3 gun) and Originals remain unaffected, for total of 51 classes

Alex Ray moved to accept the proposal.

Mike Owens seconded the motion.

Motion carried with 15 Aye, 12 Nay, 1 Abstain

Nay: Ted Beechler, David Birk, Caroline Buck, Lawrence Davis, Cliff Fendley, David Graley, John Irons, Bonnie Jackson, Paul Jacobson, Patrick Postell, Joe Ray, Steve Sagaser

Abstain: John Torrence

4. Create By-Law 11, Submitted by John Irons NCOWS # L129

Rename By-Law 10

Change name of By-Law 10 from “Rules and Regulations” to “Shooting Classes”

Create By-Law 11

1. At the end of By-Law 10 create By-Law 11 “NCOWS RULES AND REGULATIONS”
2. Material currently under the heading “NCOWS RULES AND REGULATIONS” that follows By-Law 10-3 would remain under the newly created By-Law 11
3. Move and renumber By-Laws 10-2 and 10-3 to newly created By-Law 11

No motion was made, proposal died on the floor.

5. Proposal to eliminate the separation of shooting classes by age with exception of Junior and Adult. Submitted by John Irons #L129

No motion was made, proposal died on the floor.

6. Proposal to eliminate the separation of shooting classes by gender. Submitted by John Irons #L129

No motion was made, proposal died on the floor.

7. Proposal to eliminate the separation of shooting classes by choice of smokeless or black powder. Submitted by John Irons #L129

No motion was made, proposal died on the floor.

8. Proposal to eliminate the separation of shooting classes by choice of shooting style, shootist or duelist. Submitted by John Irons #L129

No motion was made, proposal died on the floor.

12. Proposal to change the 3 gun shooting class required arms, submitted by Michael Fischer

Last year a proposal was put forth to add an additional three gun category/class. It was essentially tabled, as were other shooting class proposals.

The Saluda Saddle Tramps have a posse specific class that they call the "lawman". It is a three gun class requiring one pistol, one rifle and one shotgun.

This proposal would request to replace the current three gun class requirement of two pistols and one rifle with the requirement of one pistol, one rifle and one shotgun.

Mike Owen moved to accept the proposal

There was no second to the motion

Proposal died on the floor

Discussion on 2018 Convention – 2017 hosts willing to present the convention again in 2018. The Executive Committee will accept proposals for the 2018 Convention.

2017 National Shoot was confirmed to be 7-10 June 2017.

There being no further new business, Len Abels moved to adjourn.

Mike Owen seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

The 2017 meeting of the 39th Territorial Congress adjourned at 9:12 pm.

Appendix A – Banker’s Reports

TREASURES REPORT 1/1/2016-12/31/2016

CATEGORY	INCOME	AMOUNT
16-National Shoot		\$ 1,835.22
16-Convention		\$ 3,410.27
Bank Correction		\$ 4.32
Interest Income		\$ 2.85
Membership		\$ 22,871.82
Merchandise		\$ 1,866.50
Mrs. Hammon Memorial		\$ 75.00
Shootist Advertising		\$ 608.48
	TOTAL INCOME	\$ 30,674.46

	EXPENSE	
17-Convention		\$ 10.00
Insurance		\$ 6,790.46
Office		\$ 1,643.29
Office Rent		\$ 228.00
Postage & Delivery		\$ 436.59
Shootist		\$ 8,786.97
	TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 17,895.31

INCOME	\$ 30,674.46
EXPENSE	\$ (17,895.31)
NET INCOME	\$ 12,779.15

1/1/2016	Cash on Hand/Beginning Balance	\$ 15,264.16
12/31/2016	Cash on Hand/Ending Balance	\$ 28,043.31
	NET INCOME	\$ 12,779.15

2016 CONVENTION

Date	Account	Num	Description	Memo	Amount
16-Convention					\$ 3,116.27
INCOME					
11/12/2015	CHECKING	DEP	Deposit	Registration 1 Vendor, 4 Attendees	\$ 360.00
12/8/2015	CHECKING	DEP	Deposit	Registration 3 Vendors	\$ 346.00
1/9/2016	CHECKING	DEP	Deposit	Registration 1 Vendor 6 Conventioneers, Tea Donation	\$ 545.00
1/15/2016	CHECKING	DEP	Deposit	Registration 1 Vendor 2 Conventions	\$ 246.00
1/19/2016	CHECKING	DEP	Deposit	Registration 1 Vendor 6 Conventions	\$ 460.00
1/22/2016	CHECKING	DEP	Deposit	Registration 4 Vendors 1	\$ 390.00
2/1/2016	CHECKING	DEP	Deposit	Registration 12 Vendors 1	\$ 940.00
2/4/2016	CHECKING	DEP	Deposit	Registration 4 Vendors 3	\$ 430.00
2/12/2016	CHECKING	DEP	Deposit	Registration 7 Vendors 2	\$ 545.00
2/17/2016	CHECKING	DEP	Deposit	Registration 4 Vendors 1	\$ 305.00
2/22/2016	CHECKING	DEP	Deposit	Registration 10 Vendor 1	\$ 730.00
2/24/2016	CHECKING	DEP	Deposit	Registration 4 Vendor Tables 2	\$ 300.00
3/3/2016	CHECKING	DEP	Deposit	Registration 7 Banquet 2, Day Pass 3	\$ 505.00
3/14/2016	CHECKING	DEP	Deposit	Silent Auction	\$ 221.00
3/14/2016	CHECKING	DEP	Deposit	Ladies Tea Donation	\$ 201.00
3/14/2016	CHECKING	DEP	Deposit	Indoor Shoot	\$ 45.00
3/14/2016	CHECKING	DEP	Deposit	Registration 7 Vendor 1	\$ 450.00
3/17/2016	CHECKING	DEP	Deposit	Gate	\$ 1,474.00
4/12/2016	CHECKING	DEP	Deposit	Refund from Hotel Davenport	\$ 200.00
TOYAL INCOME					\$ 8,693.00
EXPENSE					
6/13/2015	CHECKING	2080	Clarion Davenport IA	Deposit for Hotel	\$ (1,000.00)
3/1/2016	CHECKING	2135	Hotel Davenport	Payment for Food	\$ (4,060.46)

3/13/2016	CHECKING	2137	Joe Nobilery Band		\$ (400.00)
			The Davenport Hotel		
3/14/2016	CHECKING	2138	& Convention Center	Ladies Tea	\$ (96.27)
3/28/2016	CHECKING	Debit	Sports Photography	Debit J. Irons	\$ (20.00)
				TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ (5,576.73)
					\$ 8,693.00
					\$ (5,576.73)
					\$ 3,116.27

2016 NATIONAL SHOOT

DATE	DESCRIPTION	MEMO	AMOUNT
INCOME			
5/20/2016	Deposit	Registrations	\$ 530.00
5/23/2016	Deposit	Registrations	\$ 2,505.00
5/27/2016	Deposit	Registrations	\$ 190.00
6/6/2016	Deposit	Registrations	\$ 350.00
6/16/2016	Deposit	Late registrations	\$ 2,565.00
		Registration Bryan & Caroline	
5/19/2016	Paypal Transfer	Buck	\$ 170.00
TOTAL INCOME			\$ 6,310.00
EXPENSE			
PAYEE			
5/24/2016	USPS	Debit J. Registrations to Dustin	\$ (6.95)
6/10/2016	Blue Ribbon Awards	Badges	\$ (307.83)
6/10/2016	Jay West	Booklet Printing	\$ (214.00)
	West Side Sportsman's		
6/12/2016	Club	Shoot Fee	\$ (2,380.00)
6/12/2016	CoL Bishops Regulators	Posse Fee	\$ (500.00)
	West Side Sportsman's		
6/12/2016	Club	Banquet	\$ (1,066.00)
TOTAL EXPENSE			\$ (4,474.78)
INCOME			\$ 6,310.00
EXPENSE			\$ (4,474.78)
			\$ 1,835.22

National Congress of Old West Shootists

Minutes of the 40th Congress, Davenport IA **March 16, 2018**

6:30 PM

Senate and Representative Caucus

Representative Caucus: Nine Representatives were in attendance and five Representatives by proxy (see Roll Call). Three Representatives were absent. Representative Tom Spanton was elected to the position of Chair of the Territorial Representatives.

Senate Caucus: Thirteen Senators were in attendance and two Senators by proxy (see Roll Call). Senator Mark Smith was elected as Chair of the Territorial Senate.

7:00 PM

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Acting Marshall Tatham called the Congress to order at 7:00 PM
Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Roll Call.

Senators present: David Birk, Bryan Buck, Caroline Buck, John Hoker, John Irons, Patrick Postell, Alex Ray, Joe Ray, Dave Scott, Mark Smith, Mike Tatham, John Torrence, Reed Van Ness

Present by Proxy: Ted Beechler, Michael Fischer

Territorial Representatives present: Len Abels, Duane Butt, Gary Davison, Anastasia Hope, John Saffran, Henry Schlein, Mike Scott, Thomas Spanton, Jay West

Present by Proxy: Larry Davis, Cliff Fendley, Paul Jacobson, Kenneth Miller, Mark Ward

Absent: John Holmes, Russ Sebetka, Steve Sagaser

Note that shortly before the meeting of Congress, Russ Sebetka withdrew the Cedar Valley Vigilance Committee from NCOWS as a charter Posse.

Installation of New Senators and Representatives

Deputy Marshal Mike Tatham presided over the swearing in of new Territorial Representatives and new Territorial Senators.

Election of Officers

Marshal, Mike Tatham

Deputy Marshal, John Hoker

Banker, Joe Ray

Secretary, Bryan Buck
Judge, John Torrence
Chair of the Territorial Senate, Mark Smith
Chair of the Territorial Representatives, Tom Spanton
Editor, John Irons remains appointed

Presentation of Minutes of the 38th Congress

A call to read the minutes from the 38th Congress was made.
John Torrence moved to have Congress accept the minutes as posted and published in the magazine.

Seconded by Caroline Buck.

The motion carried unanimously.

Bankers Report

Banker's report was prepared by Banker Joe Ray and was sent to Ted Beechler for review. No response was given.

The three reports that were presented were disseminated by Joe Ray and included

1. 2017 Treasurer's Annual Report
2. 2017 National Convention
3. 2017 National Shoot Report

Copies of the reports are appended to these minutes as Appendix A.

Motion to accept the bankers report was made by Caroline Buck, Seconded by Henry Schlein.

Motion carried unanimously

Reports of Other Officers

General informative reports were made by the Judge and the Editor. No action by Congress was required.

Old Business

There was no old business

New Business

Marshal Mike Tatham addressed agenda items for the 40th Congress, 2018 in the order of the published agenda. Below new business, the published numbers of the agenda items are retained to avoid confusion.

1. Proposal to revert classes to 2016 classes – submitted by John Torrence

This proposal is for reversion of the shooting classes to what they were in 2016, prior to the change in Congress, 2017. *The requirement for a minimum of 3 participants in a class to shoot for awards at the regional and national level is to be retained.*

10-1 There shall be forty-eight shooting classes by means of four categories:

— Gender

— Age

— Powder

— Number of Firearms

These categories are divided as such:

Gender: Men, Women

Age: Sub-junior (age 12 and under), Junior (13-17), Adult (age 18 and older), Elder (age 70 and older)

Style: Traditional, Open

Number of Firearms: Four-gun (two pistol, one rifle, one shotgun), Three-gun (two pistol, one rifle),

Two-gun (one pistol, one rifle)

Shooting Classes Breakdown					
Gender	Age	Style*	Number of Firearms		
			4-Gun (2P,1R,1S)	3-Gun (2P,1R)	2-Gun (1P,1R)
Men	Sub-junior (12 and under)	Traditional	1	2	3
		Open	4	5	6
	Junior (13-17)	Traditional	7	8	9
		Open	10	11	12
	Adult (18+)	Traditional	13	14	15
		Open	16	17	18
	Elder (70+)	Traditional	19	20	21
		Open	22	23	24
Women	Sub-junior (12 and under)	Traditional	25	26	27
		Open	28	29	30
	Junior (13-17)	Traditional	31	32	33
		Open	34	35	36
	Adult (18+)	Traditional	37	38	39
		Open	40	41	42
	Elder (70+)	Traditional	43	44	45
		Open	46	47	48 classes

*-Traditional (one handed hold with black powder or approved black powder substitute) and Open (one hand hold or two hand hold with smokeless, two hand hold with black powder or approved black powder substitute).

Pistoleer (4 gun and 3 gun) and Originals remain unaffected, for total of 51 classes

Men's and Women's Four Gun Pistoleer: Shooter uses two pistols, one shotgun, and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooters are restricted to the use of percussion revolvers, pre-1873 percussion or original/authentic reproductions of rim fire cartridge pocket pistols, exposed hammer double barreled shotguns (percussion or cartridge) and reproduction or original pre-1873 pistol caliber repeating rifles (e.g. 1860 Henry, Spencer, 1866 Winchester, etc.) Shooters must shoot black powder or approved black powder substitute in all firearms except those chambered for rim fire cartridges. Pistols and revolvers must be shot one-handed. Pistoleer shooters will shoot the same course of fire as the other competitors except that in a stage requiring more than two shotgun rounds the Pistoleer shooter would not be required to shoot the extra rounds.

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Men's and Women's Originals: Shooter uses two guns, one rifle and one pistol to complete the course of fire. This class must be shot duelist/traditional style. Must have three originals present to have the class. For complete rules and regulations see Appendix A at the back of the Tally Book.

In addition to these classes, Chartered Clubs and special events may offer additional classes so long as they adhere to the general outline of these By Laws. (Amended March, 2011) (Amended June 2013)

10-1 NCOWS shooting classes are unique and offer the shooter a greater variety of firearm options. These options are in keeping with the various ways in which someone might have equipped themselves in the Old West. All NCOWS shooting classes, as established by By-Law must be made available to all shooters at each National, Regional or Charter Posse Shoot. These classes shall be:

Men's and Women's Four Gun Smokeless Shootist: Shooter uses two pistols, one shotgun, and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooters may shoot smokeless powder and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip.

Men's and Women's Three Gun Smokeless Shootist: Shooter uses two pistols and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooters may shoot smokeless powder and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip.

Men's and Women's Two Gun Smokeless Shootist Working Cowboy: Shooter uses one pistol and one pistol caliber rifle. No Gun Carts are to be used at any time. Shooters may shoot smokeless powder and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip.

Men's and Women's Four Gun Black Powder Shootist: Shooter uses two pistols, one shotgun, and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooter must shoot black powder or approved black powder substitute powder in all firearms except those chambered for rim fire cartridges, and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip. Shotguns may NOT include any model of pump shotgun.

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Men's and Women's Four Gun Seniors: Shall be open to those over age 60 only. Shooter uses two pistols, one rifle and one shotgun. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Men's and Women's Three Gun Seniors:
Shall be open to those over age 60 only. Shooter uses two pistols and one rifle. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Men's and Women's Two Gun Seniors: Shall be open to those over age 60 only. Shooter uses one pistol and one rifle. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Men's and Women's Four Gun Elder: Shall Be open to those over the age of 70 only. Shooter uses two pistols, one rifle and one shotgun. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Men's and Women's Three Gun Elder:

Shall be open to those over the age of 70 only. Shooter uses two pistols and one rifle. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Men's and Women's Two Gun Elder: Shall be open to those over the age of 70 only. Shooter uses one pistol and one rifle. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Boy's and Girl's Four Gun Juniors: Shall be open to those 12 through 17 only. Shooter uses two pistols, one rifle and one shotgun. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Boy's and Girl's Two Gun Juniors: Shall be open to those 12 through 17 only. Shooter uses one pistol and one rifle. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Men's and Women's Originals: Shooter uses two guns, one rifle and one pistol to complete the course of fire. This class must be shot duelist/traditional style. Must have three originals present to have the class. For complete rules and regulations see [Appendix A](#) at the back of the Tally Book.

In addition to these classes, Chartered Clubs and special events may offer additional classes so long as they adhere to the general outline of these By-Laws.

Bold is new text, strike-through text is removed

John Hoker moved to accept the proposal.

Bryan Buck seconded the motion.

After discussion, John Irons moved to amend the motion by adding "to take effect immediately". Henry Schlein seconded the motion.

Motion to amend to "This proposal is for reversion of the shooting classes to what they were in 2016, prior to the change in Congress, 2017, to take effect immediately." Carried unanimously.

Len Abels called the question.

Motion Passed with a vote of 28 Aye, 1 Nay

Nay: Dave Scott.

2. Proposed Changes to Unapproved List – submitted by John Torrence

Because the Winchester/Miroku 1866 rifles and carbines have the same factory short stroke as the Winchester/Miroku 1873, the Authenticity Committee recommends that it be added to the unapproved list. An illustration, with Winchester/Miroku on top of a standard Uberti, levers fully pivoted, was provided for review.

[Proposed Unapproved List, Rifles]

Winchester '94 with angle eject
Henry Big Boy and all other models
Modern lever-action rifles in current production equipped with angle eject,
ramped front sight.
H&R Buffalo Classic
Beretta Renegade (an 1873 w/factory installed short stroke)
Winchester **1866 and** 1873 made by Miroku

Bold is new text

Mike Scott moved accept the proposal.
Robert Chenault seconded the motion.
Motion carried unanimously.

3. Illustration addition to Holster regulations in the Unapproved list – submitted by Duane Butt

This proposal is to add an image to the Tally Book to illustrate the acceptable and unacceptable holster coverage, to augment the words in the Tally Book under Not Approved Holsters.

Bryan Buck moved to accept the motion
Anastasia Hope seconded the motion

The image submitted was a pdf file with hand written notes and photographs of actual rigs.

Bryan Buck made a motion to amend the proposal to remove the photos of actual rigs and to clean up the illustration with a superimposed drawing of acceptable and unacceptable holster coverage, to be drawn by Bryan Buck.

Motion to amend was seconded by Dave Scott

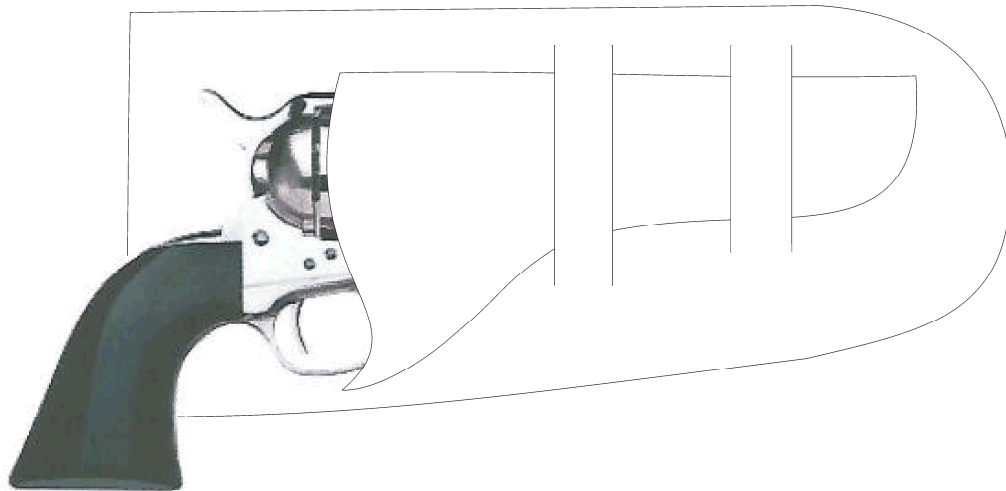
Motion to amend passed unanimously

Mike Owen moved accept the proposal.

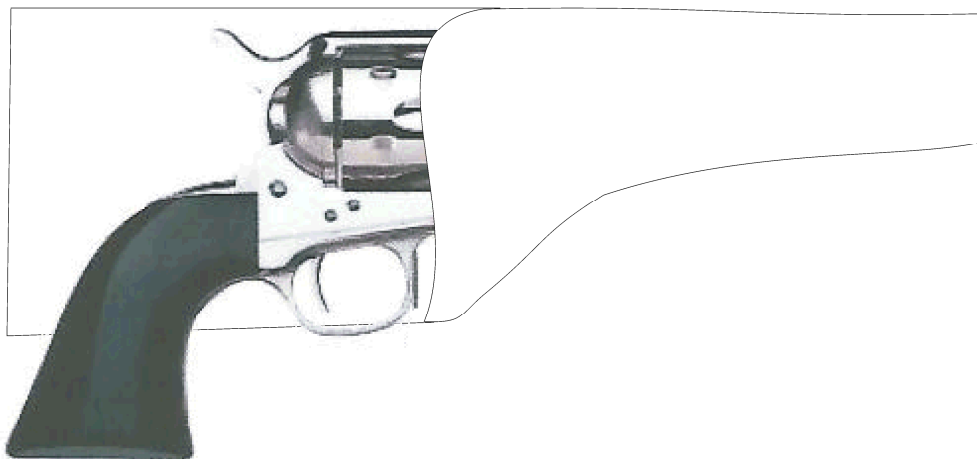
Mark Smith seconded the motion.

The amended motion passed unanimously

Images of the revised minimum acceptable holster coverage and the unacceptable coverage are included in these minutes for completeness.



Minimum Acceptable Holster Coverage



Unacceptable Holster Coverage

4. By-Law cleanup proposal – submitted by John Irons

Purpose of this proposal is to separate “Shooting Classes” from the other miscellaneous rules and regulations.

Rename By-Law 10 to “SHOOTING CLASSES”

Change name of By-Law 10 from “Rules and Regulations” to “Shooting Classes”

Create By-Law 11 “NCOWS RULES AND REGULATIONS”

Add miscellaneous rules and regulations to By-Law 11 Beginning with “No matte-finished or brushed-finish stainless steel firearms are allowed except as specifically exempted in these Rules and Regulations, e.g. only those stainless steel firearms whose finish resembles an original nickel-plated finish. No modern commemorative firearms shall be allowed”, and ending with “...22 caliber hand guns for main stages are to be pocket pistol/derringers; only. .22 revolvers and rifles are restricted in use for specialty shoots only. Single-Shot cartridge rifles shall weigh no more than twenty (20) pounds for official NCOWS competition. “

Bryan Buck moved accept the proposal.

Reed Van Ness seconded the motion.

The amended motion passed unanimously

5. Proposal to separate the Senior and Elder classes by choice of powder and type of hold. Submitted by John Irons

Under 10.1

Replace (strike-through text to be removed):

~~**Men’s and Women’s Four Gun Seniors:** Shall be open to those over age 60 only. Shooter uses two pistols, one rifle and one shotgun. May use any of the above shooting styles.~~

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With new text:

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Bryan Buck moved accept the proposal.

Mike Scott seconded the motion.

The motion passed 26 Aye, 3 Nay

Nay: Gary Davison, Cliff Fendley, Kenneth Miller (by Robert Chenault proxy)

Discussion on 2019 Convention – 2018 hosts willing to present the convention again in 2019. The Executive Committee will accept proposals for the 2019 Convention.

2018 National Shoot was confirmed to be 6-9 June 2018.

There being no further new business, Caroline Buck moved to adjourn.

Henry Schlein seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

The 2017 meeting of the 39th Territorial Congress adjourned at 8:13 pm.

Appendix A – Banker's Reports

BANKER'S REPORT 1/1/2017-12/31/2017

		INCOME	
CATEGORY			AMOUNT
17-National Shoot			\$ 1,766.37
17-Convention			\$ 4,226.62
Interest Income			\$ 5.87
Membership			\$ 17,972.69
Shootist Advertising			\$ 822.00
		TOTAL INCOME	\$ 24,793.55
		EXPENSE	
18-Convention			\$ 575.00
Insurance			\$ 7,391.00
Office			\$ 1,416.43
Office Rent			\$ 228.00
Postage & Delivery			\$ 401.53
Shootist			\$ 8,745.75
Merchandise			\$ 855.20
		TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ 19,612.91
		INCOME	\$ 24,793.55
		EXPENSE	\$ (19,612.91)
		NET INCOME	\$ 5,180.64
1/1/2017	Cash on Hand/Beginning Balance		\$ 28,043.36
12/31/2017	Cash on Hand/Ending Balance		\$ 33,223.90
	NET INCOME		\$ 5,180.64

2017 CONVENTION

Date	Account	Num	Description	Memo	Tag	Amount
17-Convention						
			Radisson Quad City			\$
9/22/2016	Checking	2156	Plaza	Convention Deposit		(1,000.00)
						\$
9/29/2016	Checking	2157	Lockton Risk Services	Rider for Crown Plaza Quad City		(25.00)
						\$
11/16/2016	Checking	DEP	Deposit	3 Vendors		340.00
						\$
12/28/2016	Checking	DEP	Deposit	1 Vendor, 9 Conventioneers		675.00
						\$
1/12/2017	Checking	DEP	Deposit	5 Conventioneers, 2 Vendors		555.00
						\$
1/26/2017	Checking	DEP	Deposit	3 Conventioneers, 2 Vendors		465.00
						\$
1/28/2017	Checking	DEP	Deposit	6 Conventioneers, 4 Vendors		830.00
						\$
2/6/2017	Checking	DEP	Deposit	9 Conventioneers, 5 Vendors		1,005.00
						\$
2/13/2017	Checking	DEP	Deposit	11 Conventioneers, 1 Vendors		640.00
						\$
2/17/2017	Checking	DEP	Deposit	5 Conventioneers, 2 Vendors 1 Donation		600.00
						\$
2/28/2017	Checking	DEP	Deposit	5 Conventioneers, 4 Vendors		625.00
						\$
3/14/2017	Checking	DEP	Deposit	10 Conventioneers, 1 Vendors		630.00
			Radisson Quad City			\$
3/14/2017	Checking	2163	Plaza	Convention Payment		(4,825.22)
						\$
3/15/2017	Checking	DEP	Deposit	6 Conventioneers		395.00
			Radisson Quad City			\$
3/25/2017	Checking	2165	Plaza	Convention Payment		(625.16)
						\$
3/25/2017	Checking	2166	Joe Nobilery Band	Convention Intertainment		(375.00)
						\$
3/26/2017	Checking	DEP	Deposit	Pistol Shoot		55.00
						\$
3/26/2017	Checking	DEP	Deposit	Banquet Photo's		235.00
						\$
3/26/2017	Checking	DEP	Deposit	Raffle & Silent Auction		1,127.00
						\$
3/26/2017	Checking	DEP	Deposit	Walk ons and Late Registration		1,655.00
						\$
			TOTAL			2,981.62

2017 NATIONAL SHOOT

Date	Num	Description	Memo	Amount
INCOME				
4/7/2017	DEP	Deposit	Registration 4	\$ 360.00
4/25/2017	DEP	Deposit	Registration 6	\$ 525.00
4/28/2017	DEP	Deposit	Registration 2	\$ 190.00
5/4/2017	DEP	Deposit	Ron Sayre	\$ 95.00
5/5/2017	DEP	Deposit	Registration Steve Channel	\$ 105.00
5/9/2017	DEP	Deposit	Registration 5	\$ 395.00
5/12/2017	DEP	Deposit	Registration 2	\$ 170.00
5/15/2017	DEP	Deposit	Registration 2	\$ 250.00
5/15/2017	DEP	Deposit	Registration 3, Jr Renewal 1	\$ 280.00
5/19/2017	DEP	Deposit	Registration 4	\$ 330.00
5/25/2017	DEP	Deposit	Registration 2	\$ 160.00
5/26/2017	DEP	Deposit	Registration 5	\$ 435.00
6/1/2017	DEP	Deposit	Registration 3	\$ 235.00
6/6/2017	DEP	Deposit	Registration 4	\$ 360.00
6/26/2017	DEP	Deposit	On Site Registrations	\$ 2,890.00
			TOTAL	\$ 6,780.00
EXPENSES				
5/18/2017	2170	Ron Sayre	Refund for Nationals due to illness	\$ 95.00
6/10/2017	2173	Jay West	Shoot Booklet Printing	\$ 215.00
		West Side Sportsman's Club		
6/10/2017	2174	West Side Sportsman's Club	Shoot Fee	\$ 2,625.00
		West Side Sportsman's Club		
6/10/2017	2175	Blue Ribbon Awards	Banquest	\$ 1,174.50
6/24/2017	2176	Roger Ragland	Badges	\$ 214.15
6/26/2017	2177	John Holmes	Refund unable to attend due to illness	\$ 75.00
6/26/2017	2178		Refund unable to attend due to illness	\$ 75.00
			TOTAL	\$ 4,378.65
			TOTAL INCOME	\$ 6,780.00
			TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ (4,378.65)
				\$ 2,401.35

National Congress of Old West Shootists

Minutes of the 41st Congress, Davenport, IA

March 22, 2019

6:30 PM

Senate and Representative Caucus

Representative Caucus: Seven Representatives were in attendance and seven Representatives by proxy (see Roll Call). Two Representatives were absent. Representative Tom Spanton was elected to the position of Chair of the Territorial Representatives.

Senate Caucus: Thirteen Senators were in attendance and two Senators by proxy (see Roll Call). Senator John Torrence was elected as Chair of the Territorial Senate.

6:45 PM

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Marshal Tatham called the Congress to order at 6:45 PM. Pledge of Allegiance was given.

6:50 PM

Roll Call

Senators present: David Birk, Bryan Buck, Caroline Buck, John Hoker, Dart Liebrandt, Patrick Postell, Joe Ray, Dave Scott, Mark Smith, Mike Tatham, John Torrence, Reed Van Ness, Charles Williams

Present by Proxy: Ted Beechler, John Irons

Territorial Representatives present: Len Abels, Duane Butt, Gary Davison, Anastasia Hope, Henry Schlein, Mike Scott, Thomas Spanton

Present by Proxy: Cliff Fendley, John Holmes, Paul Jacobson, Kenneth Miller, Richard Paukner, Mark Ward, Jay West

Absent: Mark Cubine, Steve Sagaser

6:55 PM

New Senator and Representative Swear-In

New senators: Dart Liebrandt, Charles Williams

6:57 PM

Election of Officers

Marshal, Mike Tatham – Unopposed, approved by acclamation

Deputy Marshal, John Hoker – Unopposed, approved by acclamation

Banker, Joe Ray – Unopposed, approved by acclamation

Secretary, Charles Williams – Unopposed, approved by acclamation

Judge, Bryan Buck – Unopposed, approved by acclamation

Chair of the Territorial Senate, John Torrence – Won by vote over Mark Smith, approved by acclamation

Chair of the Territorial Representatives, Tom Spanton – Unopposed, approved by acclamation

Editor, John Irons remains appointed

Presentation of Minutes of the 40th Congress

A call to read the minutes from the 40th Congress was made. Representative Tom Spanton moved to have Congress accept the minutes as posted and published in the magazine. Seconded by Representative Henry Schlein.

The motion carried unanimously.

Bankers Report

Banker's report was prepared by Banker Joe Ray and was sent to Marshal Mike Tatham for review.

The three reports that were presented were disseminated by Joe Ray and included:

1. 2018 Treasurer's Annual Report
2. 2018 National Shoot Report

3. 2018 National Convention

Copies of the reports are appended to these minutes as Appendix A. Motion to accept the bankers report was made by Senator Caroline Buck, Seconded by Representative Tom Spanton. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports of Other Officers

The Executive Committee recognized the original charter members who were present for 25th anniversary celebration. General informative reports were made by the Marshal, Deputy Marshal, and Judge. No action by Congress was required.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

Marshal Mike Tatham addressed agenda items for the 41st Congress, 2019 in the order of the published agenda. Below new business, the published numbers of the agenda items are retained to avoid confusion.

1. Proposed Changes to Approved and unapproved List – submitted by Duane Butt

Add the following preface to Approved and Unapproved lists:

Be advised this list is not all inclusive. Remember it must have been available in the Old West in the 1865 to 1899 time period. Manufacturers are coming out with reproductions and variations of them faster than NCOWS can address. Therefore if you have any questions or are not sure, please contact the NCOWS National Judge for clarification.

Senator Dart Liebrandt moved to accept the proposal.
Representative Tom Spanton seconded the motion.

Passed with a vote of 28 Aye, 1 Nay
Nay: Representative Henry Schlein.

2. Clarification in the Unapproved list – submitted by Duane Butt

In the "Not allowed are the following:" section under "Revolvers" clarifying what "P" frames mean for novice members (see bold print):

"P" (Colt 1873, Colt Model P, Colt Peacemaker, Colt Frontier Six Shooter and clones of the Colt Single Action) frames with Birds-head grip.

Representative Tom Spanton moved to accept the proposal.
Senator Caroline Buck seconded the motion.

Judge Bryan Buck made a motion to amend the proposal and define "P" frames as:
"P" (Colt Model 1873 and Replicas thereof) frames with Birds-head grip.
Motion to amend was seconded by Senator Dave Scott. The motion to amend the proposal passed unanimously. Question called by Marshal Mike Tatham, amended motion passed unanimously.

Discussion of Saluda Saddle Tramp Name Change – Representative Henry Schlein noted a change in the name of the Saluda Saddle Tramps to South Carolina Old West Shootists Association (SCOWS). The Executive Committee approved the change but required the South Carolina Old West Shootists Association to submit a copy of their by-laws with the revised name to the NCOWS Secretary.

There being no further new business, Senator Dave Scott moved to adjourn.
Representative Anastasia Hope seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The 2019 meeting of the 41st Territorial Congress adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Appendix A – Banker's Reports

BANKER'S REPORT

1/1/2018–12/31/2018

INCOME	
CATEGORY	AMOUNT
18-NationaJs	\$ 1#651.16
Hoss Jackson Memorial	\$ 81.36
Interest Inc	\$ 5.97
Membership	\$ 19,959.86
Merchandise	\$ 546.96
Shootist Advertising Income	\$ 1,264.00
18-Convention	\$ 1,720.16
19-Convention	\$ 630.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 25,859.47
EXPENSES	
Insurance	\$ {7,882.70}
Office	\$ (1,541.88}
Office Rent	\$ (228.00)
Office-Supplies	\$ (56.27)
Postage and Delivery	\$ (110.79)
Shootist	\$ (8,450.66)
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ (18,270.30}
INCOME	\$ 25,859.47
EXPENSES	\$ (18,270.30)
	\$ 7,589.17
CASH ON HAND 1/1/2018	\$ 33,223.90
CASH ON HAND 12/31/2018	\$ 40,813.91

2018 National Shoot

Date	Ck Num	Description	Memo	Amount
INCOME				
3/30/2018		Deposit	Registration	\$ 430.00
4/6/2018		Deposit	Registration	\$ 275.00
4/9/2018		Deposit	Registration	\$ 95.00
4/16/2018		Deposit	Registration	\$ 275.00
4/17/2018		Deposit	Registration	\$ 85.00
4/30/2018		Deposit	Registration	\$ 95.00
5/2/2018		Deposit	Registration	\$ 185.00
5/4/2018		Deposit	1 Registration 1 Banquet	\$ 95.00
5/8/2018		Deposit	Registration	\$ 290.00
5/15/2018		Deposit	Registration	\$ 490.00
5/17/2018		Deposit	Registration	\$ 470.00
5/21/2018		Deposit	Registration	\$ 585.00
5/22/2018		Deposit	Registration	\$ 200.00
5/25/2018		Deposit	Registration	\$ 395.00
5/31/2018		Deposit	2 Registration 1 Banquet	\$ 170.00
6/2/2018		Deposit	Registration	\$ 150.00
6/13/2018		Deposit	Side Matches	\$ 6.00
6/13/2018		Deposit	Late Registration	\$ 2,185.00
				\$ 6,476.00
EXPENSES				
4/17/2018	Debit	USPS	Mailing Registrations to WSSC	\$ (1.42)
5/16/2018	Debit	USPS	Mailing Registrations to WSSC	\$ (1.84)
5/25/2018	Debit	USPS	Mailing Registrations to WSSC	\$ (1.42)
6/4/2018	2208	Cheryl Hobbs	Refund unable to attend due to health	\$ (85.00)
6/7/2018	2209	West Side Sportsman's Club	Posse Fee	\$ (500.00)
6/9/2018	2210	West Side Sportsman's Club	Banquet Meal	\$ (1,120.00)
6/9/2018	2211	West Side Sportsman's Club	Shooter Fee	\$ (2,625.00)
6/14/2018	2212	Jay West	Shoot Booklets	\$ (240.75)
7/2/2018	2216	Blue Ribbon Awards	Shooter Badges	\$ (249.41)
				\$ (4,824.84)
			TOTAL INCOME	\$ 6,476.00
			TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ (4,824.84)
			NET INCOME	\$ 1,651.16

NCOWS 2018 CONVENTION REPORT

Date	Num	Description	Memo	Amount
INCOME				
11/3/2017	DEP	Deposit	3 Conventioneers, 3 Vendors	\$ 620.00
11/17/2017	DEP	Deposit	3 Vendor 1 Conventioneer	\$ 425.00
12/1/2017	DEP	Deposit	4 Vendors	\$ 385.00
12/18/2017	DEP	Deposit	1 Vendors 2 Conventioneers	\$ 230.00
1/9/2018	DEP	Deposit	2 Vendor 2 Conventioneer	\$ 345.00
1/16/2018	DEP	Deposit	2 Vendor 4 Conventioneer	\$ 730.00
1/18/2018	DEP	Deposit	1 Vendor 4 Conventioneer	\$ 420.00
1/27/2018	DEP	Deposit	1 Vendor 6 Conventioneer	\$ 420.00
2/5/2018	DEP	Deposit	3 Vendor 9 Conventioneer	\$ 905.00
2/9/2018	DEP	Deposit	10 Conventioneer	\$ 550.00
2/9/2018	DEP	Deposit	Ladies Tea Donation Brian Bauer	\$ 200.00
2/20/2018	DEP	Deposit	6 Conventioneer	\$ 300.00
2/23/2018	DEP	Deposit	1 Vendor 4 Conventioneers 2 Banquet	\$ 425.00
3/3/2018	DEP	Deposit	2 Vendor 4 Conventioneers 1 Banquet	\$ 485.00
3/11/2018	DEP	Deposit	4 Conventioneers 3 Banquet	\$ 340.00
3/22/2018	DEP	Deposit	Convention Shoot	\$ 80.00
3/22/2018	DEP	Deposit	Silent Auction	\$ 176.00
3/22/2018	DEP	Deposit	Raffle	\$ 980.00
3/22/2018	DEP	Deposit	Walk In	\$ 1,125.00
3/22/2018	DEP	Deposit	Registration	\$ 605.00
				\$ 9,746.00
EXPENSE				
7/5/2017	2179	Radisson Quad City Plaza	Convention Deposit	\$ (1,000.00)
2/9/2018	2194	David Gregor	Registration Refund	\$ (95.00)
3/1/2018	2195	Refund	Refund Registration Steve & Gina Channel	\$ (120.00)
3 / 1 / 2018	2196	Refund	Refund Registration Lyle Greiner	\$ (60.00)
3/5/2018	2197	Radisson Quad City Plaza	Covention Billing	\$ (5,062.13)
3/9/2018	Debit	Office Depot	Debit J. Ray Printing for Congress	\$ (41.57)
3/12/2018	Debit	Office Depot	DebitJ. Ray	\$ (5.20)
3/17/2018	2199	Sandy Koester Band	Band for Convention Banquet	\$ (500.00)
3/21/2018	2200	Radisson Quad City Plaza	Covention Billing	\$ (411.94)
4/3/2018	2202	Walt Kirst	Banquet Refund	\$ (70.00)
				\$ (7,365.84)
			TOTAL INCOME	\$ 9,746.00
			TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ (7,365.84)
			NET	\$ 2,380.16

National Congress of Old West Shootists

Minutes of the 42nd Congress, Online

April 2nd, 2020 to May 1st, 2020

Due to cancelation of the 2020 NCOWS Convention resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, the normal Congress meeting did not happen. It was decided by the Executive Committee to have the Congress vote on required Congress meeting items using email.

Roll Call

Senators by Email: Bryan Buck, Caroline Buck, John Covert, John Hoker, John Irons, Dart Liebrandt, Patrick Postell, Alex Ray, Joe Ray, Dave Scott, Mark Smith, Mike Tatham, John Torrence, Reed Van Ness, Mike Owen.

Territorial Representatives by Email: Len Abels, Duane Butt, Gary Davison, Cliff Fendley, John Holmes, Anastasia Hope, Kenneth Miller, Michael Hansen, Larry Quattlebaum, Henry Schlein, Mike Scott, Thomas Spanton, Mark Ward.

Election of Officers

March 16th

Marshal Tatham Appointed a nominating committee to put together a slate of officers for the coming year. Committee Chair – Dave Scott, Committeemen – Cliff Fendley and Reed Van Ness.

April 2nd

After proper discussion, diligence and deliberation, the appointed Nominating Committee, consisting of Chairing Senator Dave Scott (IN), Senator Reed Van Ness (WI) and Representative Cliff Fendley (KY), as requested has considered the NCOWS election of officers for 2020 and reached the following recommendations in light of the necessary cancellation of the Annual Convention.

It is the recommendation of the Nominating Committee that:

1) *The existing officers from 2019 should be re-elected to another one-year term and serve for the duration of 2020 (Mike Tatham Marshal, John Hoker Deputy Marshal, Joe Ray Banker, Bryan Buck Judge, John Irons Editor, John Torrence Senate Delegate, Tom Spanton Representative Delegate); and*

2) *The office of Secretary – currently vacant – should be put to a vote of the Congress, between the two candidates who have offered their names for consideration at this time. Those candidates being*

Senator Patrick Postell (TX)

Representative Henry Schlein (SC)

3) *The method of balloting is, of course, at the discretion of the Marshal and the Executive Committee, however, email balloting is recommended by the Nominating Committee.*

The Acting Secretary Buck emailed to the Congress two items are to be voted on. The first is to re-elect all the current officers, as they have agreed to serve another year. The second is to fill the vacant Secretary office, where we have two candidates. Votes needed to be returned to Acting Secretary Bryan Buck by April 16, 2020.

Item 1: Please vote Aye or Nay

Item 2: Please vote for one candidate for Secretary – Senator Patrick Postell or Representative Henry Schlein

April 16th

Tally of votes for the officers. There are 28 members of congress. There were two members that did not provide a vote. Since this is ordinarily a secret ballot, only final totals will be provided.

Item 1 to re-elect all the current officers: 26 votes Aye to keep existing officers, 2 votes not cast

Item 2 the Secretary office: 19 Postell, 7 Schlein, 2 votes not cast

New Officers:

Marshal, Mike Tatham

Deputy Marshal, John Hoker

Banker, Joe Ray

Secretary, Patrick Postell

Judge, Bryan Buck

Chair of the Territorial Senate, John Torrence

Chair of the Territorial Representatives, Tom Spanton

Editor, John Irons

Banker Report

Banker's report was prepared by Banker Joe Ray.

The three reports that were prepared included

1. 2019 Treasurer's Annual Report
2. 2019 National Convention Report
3. 2019 National Shoot Report

Copies of the reports are appended to these minutes as Appendix A.

Reports of Other Officers

None presented

Old Business

There was no old business

New Business

The Executive Committee discussed how to have the Congress vote on the 2020 Congress Agenda items.

April 13th

Marshal Tatham moved to email the 2020 Congress Agenda items to the members of the NCOWS congress giving them 2 weeks to vote Aye or Nay on each item. This voting is to take place after the officer election is complete.

Senator Irons seconded the motion.

The Executive Committee passed motion with a vote of 6 Aye, 1 Vote Not Cast: Senator Hoker.

April 16th

The 6 agenda items were emailed to the NCOWS Congress Members with instructions to return their Aye or Nay votes for each item the NCOWS Secretary by May 1st.

May 1st

Results of email voting

1. Addition to the “Unapproved List”, submitted by Bryan Buck

The Authenticity Committee recommends the following be added to the Unapproved list in the Revolvers Section:

Single action Colt 1873 and replicas thereof with octagonal barrels.

Bold is new text

Motion carried with a vote of 23 Aye, 0 Nay, 5 votes not cast

Vote not cast: Representative Kenneth Miller, Representative Mike Hansen, Representative Larry Quattlebaum, Senator Alex Ray, Senator Reed Van Ness.

2. Addition to the “Unapproved List”, submitted by Bryan Buck

The Authenticity Committee recommends the following be added to the Unapproved list under the Rifles section:

Henry Repeating Arms Side Gate Lever Action, all calibers.

Bold is new text

Motion carried with a vote of 23 Aye, 0 Nay, 5 votes not cast

Vote not cast: Representative Kenneth Miller, Representative Mike Hansen, Representative Larry Quattlebaum, Senator Alex Ray, Senator Reed Van Ness.

3. Appendix A Cleanup, Submitted by Bryan Buck

Rule 6 to be deleted since Originals Class no longer uses a shotgun

~~6. Shotgun gauges are limited to 16, 12, and 10. Brass or paper shot shells. Subject to the same propellant requirements.~~

6. Deleted

Strike through text to be deleted. Bold text is new.

Motion carried with a vote of 23 Aye, 0 Nay, 5 votes not cast

Vote not cast: Representative Kenneth Miller, Representative Mike Hansen, Representative Larry Quattlebaum, Senator Alex Ray, Senator Reed Van Ness.

4. Additional Text for Regional Event Approval, submitted by John Irons

3-8-d-1 Regional Events

Regional events differ from normal posse multi-day shoots in that they must adhere strictly to all NCOWS categories, rules, and regulations. This means local posse variations, additional categories, prize awards, etc. are not allowed. The event would only be open to NCOWS members, however the discounted membership for “New” members is allowed. Shooting medals would be available from NCOWS at cost, plus shipping. They also would be able to advertise the event on the NCOWS website, The Shootist magazine and on CasCity as a Regional Event.

3-8-d-2 Any posse or group of members may petition the Executive Committee to hold a Regional Shooting event. The petition must list the dates and location of the event and identify what region of the country it would represent e.g. 'Midwest; Southwest, Northeast, etc'.

3-8-d-3 Petitions must be received by the Executive Committee at least six months in advance. Multiple petitions for the same dates will not be allowed. Petitions may not be identified as the same region. But a Midwest and a South Central or North Central would be allowed.

3-8-d-4 The NCOWS Executive Committee shall act upon the petition or petitions within 30 days. The Marshal shall make a motion to approve the petition.

Motion carried with a vote of 22 Aye, 1 Nay, 5 votes not cast

Nay: Senator Dart Liebrandt.

Vote not cast: Representative Kenneth Miller, Representative Mike Hansen, Representative Larry Quattlebaum, Senator Alex Ray, Senator Reed Van Ness.

5. Proposal to allow the .45 Cowboy Special as an accepted NCOWS caliber, submitted by Joe Ray

My thought process started on this subject when a prospective member was wanting to use the .45 Spl. As a young boy he remembered shooting a .45 Colt gallery load on his grandfather's ranch in North Western Colorado. The EC told him we do not allow the .45 Spl and there was no documentation for a .45 Colt gallery load. Recently, there has been a thread on the Colt Forum (not CASCITY) concerning the same memories from the other participants of this thread.

This gallery load was most likely surplus .450 Adams. The British Govt issued the Adams revolver to Canadian police in the early 1870's. The .450 Adams has several names: .450 Adams, .450 Boxer, .450 Eley, and .450 Colt. This cartridge is basically a .45 Colt .62" in length with a thin rim. After 1900 American ammunition manufactures sold the .450 Adams surplus as .450 Colt for \$16 per 1000. The British .450's and .455 Webley will chamber in a Colt cylinder and they will fire with the thin rim. To me this proves the .45 Colt gallery load. One of the attachments is page 18 of the Hartley & Graham 1882 catalog which lists the .450 Adams and the .45 Webley. This proves availability in the US.

The .45 Spl has a .889-.92 length. The .45 Spl is for all practical purposes a .455 Webley Mark I with a thicker rim. Colt sold the SAA chambered in .455 Eley which is the same cartridge as the Mark I. The modern .455 Webley Mark II is shorter than the Mark I.

Colt built around 1% of the Single Action Army production in the British calibers. Colt shipping records show list SAA's shipped to England in the following calibers: .450 Boxer, .450 Eley, .455 Eley and .476 Eley. The .476 is the only one that will not chamber in a standard .45 Colt SAA. Many of these single actions returned to America with the English cattle barons. These were rich Englishmen who invested in the American ranching/beef industry during the late 1870's thru the great blizzard of Jan 9, 1887, which destroyed many ranches in the west and caused a lot of foreign investors to get out of the cattle business.

The .45 Spl will also closely replicate the size and ballistic characteristics of the .44 Henry Flat better than the .44 Russian cartridge does. As you can see, by the chart below, the .45 Spl is a close match to the Henry round.

	44 Henry	44 Russian	44 Colt (Modern)	45 Special
Bullet Diameter	.446"	.430"	.430"	.452"
Case Length	.892"	.961"	1.097"	.890"
Case Capacity	25-28 gr	24.4 gr	30.6 gr	25.1 gr

I will admit that the original intent of the .45 Spl is a gamer load to lighten the recoil of their pistols to shoot black powder really fast. That being said, I believe we are not being true to our history if we do not allow the .45 Cowboy Special. The .45 Cowboy Special is no more than a modern adaptation of an older cartridge as are several of the rounds already in use i.e. .357 Mag, .44 Special and .44 Magnum. If the .45 Special is not allowed, we ought to remove these modern cartridges as well.

Motion failed with a vote of 9 Aye, 14 Nay, 5 votes not cast

Aye: Representative Len Abels, Representative Duane Butt, Representative John Holmes, Representative Henry Schlein, Representative Mike Scott, Representative Tom Spanton, Senator Dart Liebrandt, Senator Joe Ray, Senator John Torrence.

Vote not cast: Representative Kenneth Miller, Representative Mike Hansen, Representative Larry Quattlebaum, Senator Alex Ray, Senator Reed Van Ness.

6. Proposal to amend by-laws with method of replacing a Senator who cannot complete the term, submitted by Bryan Buck

3-9 In the event that a Senator is not capable of completing his or her elected term, a *pro tempore* Senator shall be appointed by the Marshal to complete the term of office.

3-9-a The Executive Committee may solicit names from the general membership if no candidate comes forward on their own accord.

3-9-b The Executive Committee shall review potential candidates for *pro tempore* Senator. The Marshal then shall select a candidate for appointment.

3-9-c The Executive Committee shall then accept a motion from within the Executive Committee for the candidate. Once seconded, the Executive Committee shall vote on whether the Marshal shall appoint the proposed candidate. A majority vote of the Executive Committee is required to accept the Marshal's appointment.

3-9-d At the end of the term to be completed, the *pro tempore* Senator has the right to run for election in the general Senate election.

Motion carried with a vote of 22 Aye, 1 Nay, 5 votes not cast

Nay: Senator Dave Scott.

Vote not cast: Representative Kenneth Miller, Representative Mike Hansen, Representative Larry Quattlebaum, Senator Alex Ray, Senator Reed Van Ness.

Appendix A – Banker's Reports

2019 BANKERS REPORT 1/1/2019-12/31/2019

INCOME

19-Convention	\$	2,343.93
19-Nationals	\$	1,376.90
20-Convention	\$	2,225.00
Membership	\$	15,647.49
Merchandise	\$	212.51
Posse Renewal	\$	418.68
Total Income	\$	22,224.51

EXPENSES

Insurance	\$	(7,163.44)
Office	\$	(2,254.76)
Shootist	\$	(7,899.64)
Total Expenses	\$	(17,317.84)
Total Income	\$	22,224.51
Total Expenses	\$	(17,317.84)
OVERALL TOTAL	\$	4,906.67

BEGINNING BALANCE	\$	40,813.07
ENDING BALANCE	\$	45,719.74
NET	\$	4,906.67

2019 CONVENTION REPORT

INCOME

9/11/2018	Deposit	2 Vendor 1 Conventioneer	\$ 480.00
11/13/2018	Deposit	1 Vendor 1 Conventioneer	\$ 225.00
12/3/2018	Deposit	4 Vendor	\$ 490.00
12/31/2018	Deposit	3 Vendor 2 Conventioneer	\$ 435.00
1/17/2019	Deposit	8 Conventioneer 2 Banquet	\$ 670.00
1/26/2019	Deposit	5 Conventioneer 2 Banquet 2 Vendor	\$ 715.00
2/1/2019	Deposit	2 Conventioneer	\$ 120.00
2/11/2019	Deposit	10 Conventioneer	\$ 660.00
2/22/2019	Deposit	10 Conventioneer	\$ 685.00
2/25/2019	Deposit	8 Conventioneer 4 Vendor	\$ 885.00
3/4/2019	Deposit	8 Conventioneer 3 Vendor	\$ 930.00
3/8/2019	Deposit	10 Conventioneer 1 banquet	\$ 635.00
3/18/2019	Deposit	2 Conventioneer	\$ 120.00
3/24/2019	Deposit	Late registration & Banquet Tickets	\$ 465.00
3/24/2019	Deposit	Raffle/Silent Auction	\$ 1,385.00
3/24/2019	Deposit	Walk-in	\$ 1,200.00
3/24/2019	Deposit	Shoot	\$ 55.00
		TOTAL INCOME	\$ 10,155.00

EXPENSES

		Radisson Quad City	
5/16/2018	2205	Plaza	Convention Deposit
			\$ (1,000.00)
3/14/2019	Debit	Office Depot/Office Max	Printing of financial reports
			\$ (37.02)
3/16/2019	2231	Jackie Kirkaby	Refund
			\$ (95.00)
3/24/2019	2233	Sandy Koester Band	Band for Convention Banquet
		Radisson Quad City	
3/27/2019	2234	Plaza	Convention Payment
			\$ (5,636.07)
		TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ (7,268.09)
		TOTAL INCOME	\$ 10,155.00
		TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ (7,268.09)
		NET INCOME	\$ 2,886.91

19-NATIONAL SHOOT REPORT

INCOME

4/1/2019	Deposit	Registrations	\$	270.00
4/11/2019	Deposit	Registrations	\$	375.00
4/18/2019	Deposit	Registration	\$	180.00
5/3/2019	Deposit	Registrations	\$	200.00
5/9/2019	Deposit	Registrations	\$	440.00
5/13/2019	Deposit	Registrations	\$	595.00
5/17/2019	Deposit	Registrations	\$	330.00
5/21/2019	Deposit	Registrations	\$	310.00
5/22/2019	Deposit	Registrations	\$	160.00
5/24/2019	Deposit	Registration	\$	95.00
5/29/2019	Deposit	Registrations	\$	255.00
5/31/2019	Deposit	Registration	\$	95.00
7/8/2019	Deposit	Late Registrations etc	\$	2,910.00
		TOTAL INCOME	\$	6,215.00

EXPENSES

5/10/2019	2237	WSSC	Deposit/Posse Fee	\$	(500.00)
6/18/2019	2242	Rob Beaven Catering	19-Nationals Banquet	\$	(1,500.00)
6/18/2019	2243	West Side Sportmans Club	Shooter Fee for Nationals	\$	(2,485.00)
7/5/2019	2244	Jay West	Shooters Booklet	\$	(353.10)
1/16/2020	2254	Blue Ribbon Trophy	Shooters Badges	\$	(247.17)
				\$	(5,085.27)
			TOTAL INCOME	\$	6,215.00
			TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	(5,085.27)
			NET TOTAL	\$	1,129.73

National Congress of Old West Shootists

Minutes of the 43rd Congress, Nashville IN March 19, 2021

6:30 PM

Senate and Representative Caucus

Representative Caucus: Seven Representatives were in attendance and five Representatives by proxy (see Roll Call). One Representative was absent. Representative Tom Spanton was elected to the position of Chair of the Territorial Representatives.

Senate Caucus: Thirteen Senators were in attendance and two Senators by proxy (see Roll Call). Senator Mike Owen was elected as Chair of the Territorial Senate.

7:02 PM

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Marshall Tatham called the Congress to order at 7:00 PM
Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Roll Call.

Senators present: Bryan Buck, John Covert, Robert Gallardo, John Hoker, John Irons, Dart Liebrandt, Mike Owen, Patrick Postell, Alex Ray, Joe Ray, Dave Scott, Mike Tatham, John Torrence
Present by Proxy: Caroline Buck, Paul Weller

Territorial Representatives present: Len Abels, Bill Allen, Duane Butt, Chris Fendley, Anastasia Hope, Henry Schlein, Thomas Spanton
Present by Proxy: Gary Davison, Roger Ragland, Mike Scott, Reed Van Ness, Mark Ward
Absent: Larry Quattlebaum

Installation of New Senators and Representatives

Deputy Marshal Mike Tatham presided over the swearing in of new Territorial Representatives and new Territorial Senators.

Election of Officers

Marshal, Mike Tatham
Deputy Marshal, John Hoker
Banker, Joe Ray
Secretary, Patrick Postell
Judge, Bryan Buck
Chair of the Territorial Senate, Mike Owen
Chair of the Territorial Representatives, Tom Spanton
Editor, John Irons remains appointed.

Marshal, Deputy, and Judge Reports

General informative reports were made by the Marshal, the Deputy, and the Judge. No action by Congress was required.

Presentation of Minutes of the 42nd Congress

A call to read the minutes from the 42nd Congress was made.

Anastasia Hope moved to have Congress accept the minutes as posted and published in the magazine.

Seconded by Dave Scott.

The motion carried unanimously.

Banker's Report

Banker's report was prepared by Banker Joe Ray.

Reports that were presented were disseminated by Joe Ray and included

1. 2020 Banker's Annual Report
2. 2020 National Convention Report
3. 2020 National Shoot Report

Copies of the report are appended to these minutes as Appendix A.

Motion to accept the bankers report was made by Henry Schlein, Seconded by Anastasia Hope.

Motion carried unanimously.

Senator & Territorial Representative Reports

General informative reports were made by the Senate Representative and the Territorial Representative. No action by Congress was required.

Western Heritage Letter

Marshal Mike Tatham read a thank you letter received from Western Heritage for the donation that NCOWS made to them. Letter was given to the editor to be put in the next Shootist.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

Marshal Mike Tatham addressed agenda items for the 43rd Congress, 2021 in the order of the published agenda. Below new business, the published numbers of the agenda items are retained to avoid confusion.

1. 45 Auto Rim Use in Original Guns, submitted by Bryan Buck

Some of our approved revolvers (e.g. the Webley, Colt New Service, Belgian reproductions) were originally chambered for European calibers such as 455 Webley, 450 Adams, 455 Eley were modified after the turn of the century due to ammunition shortages for the WWI. The cylinders were shaved to accept 45 ACP and moon clips for the war effort. The revolvers themselves are approved for NCOWS use, but 45 ACP and moon clips are not. This proposal is to allow single loading cartridges of 45 Auto Rim, developed in 1920 to be specifically used in such revolvers, to be used in such modified original and approved firearms. This proposal is to put back into use approved guns, but for use with loading the cylinders one cartridge at a time. The proposal specifically excludes the 45 ACP caliber as a viable NCOWS round, with or without moon clips or in rifles. This proposal also excludes the use of the Colt 1917 and the Smith & Wesson 1917 models.

It is recommended that the 45 ACP caliber, moon clips, and the Colt 1917 and the S&W 1917 be added to the Unapproved List.

Withdrawn by Bryan Buck

2. Rule Change for Hip Shooting, submitted by Bryan Buck

Recommend the following change be made to Range Rule 4 “No quick-draw at any time.” for safety concerns.

Add the following below 4. **Bold** is new text.

4a. No hip shooting at any time.

Robert Gallardo moved to accept the proposal.

No one seconded the motion.

Motion dies for lack of second

3. Rule Change for Fanning, submitted by Bryan Buck

Recommend the following change be made to Range Rule 4 “No quick-draw at any time.” for safety concerns.

Add the following below 4. **Bold** is new text.

4b. No fanning of revolvers at any time.

Withdrawn by Bryan Buck

4. Rule Change for correction, submitted by Bryan Buck

6. No breaking a 170~~E~~ **degree** plane with any firearm at any time during the stage. Draws from a cross draw must be done with the body turned to the firing line so the muzzle of the revolver is not breaking the 170~~E~~ **degree** rule. Stage disqualification for first offense, match disqualification for second offense in same day. Penalties for having the finger in the trigger guard or the revolver cocked before it is pointed down-range: 1st infraction - disqualification from the stage; 2nd infraction - disqualification from the match.

Strikethrough text is deleted, **Bold** is new text.

Secretary to fix typo at the direction of Marshal Tatham.

5. Rule Change for Dropped Firearm clarification, submitted by Bryan Buck

9. A dropped unloaded firearm ends the stage for a shooter. **Any unfired rounds in any firearms will be counted as misses. An additional penalty of 30 seconds will be imposed.** A dropped loaded firearm will result in a match disqualification. The **dropped** firearm will be retrieved and cleared by Posse Leader or Timer.

Bold is added text.

Withdrawn by Bryan Buck

6. Clarification of rule 14, submitted by Bryan Buck

14. Shotguns are staged with magazines and chambers open and empty and are loaded under the clock. (Pistoleer class **using a percussion muzzle loading shotgun**, arms charged but not capped.) All empty shells must be ejected before grounding or moving throughout a stage when carrying the firearm.

Bold is added text.

Withdrawn by Bryan Buck

7. Clarification of rule 17 on Handling Squib Load Situations, submitted by Bryan Buck

New text is recommended for how to handle squib loads during firing of a stage. The intent is to have the same rules for all posses throughout NCOWS.

17a. Cartridge Firearms: When the range officer detects a squib load has been fired, he or she will stop the shooter immediately. Detection is when the round is too quiet, and no projectile exits the barrel and hits the target or the ground. The firearm shall be taken by the range officer or designee, muzzle up, to the unloading table where the firearm will be made safe. The shooter may continue the stage with the other firearms. Rounds left in the firearm with the squib load will be counted as misses.

17b. Percussion Firearms: When a percussion squib occurs (i.e. the percussion cap fires, but it does not fire the charge of black powder), the range officer will stop the shooter immediately. The shooter will keep the firearms pointed down range for a minimum of 5 seconds to be sure the round is not a delay fire. Then, the firearm shall be taken by the range officer or designee, muzzle up, to the unloading table where the firearm will be made safe. The shooter may continue the stage with the other firearms. Rounds left in the firearm with the squib load will be counted as misses.

Bold is new text.

John Covert moved to accept the motion.

Robert Gallardo seconded the motion.

John Covert made a motion to amend the proposal as follows:

- 1) Change 'detects' to 'suspected' in 17a.
- 2) Change 'range officer' to 'timer operator' in 17a & 17b.
- 3) Add 'unless a reshoot has been offered' to last sentence in 17a & 17b.

Motion to amend was seconded by Dave Scott.

Amended motion:

17a. Cartridge Firearms: When it is suspected a squib load has been fired, the timer operator will stop the shooter immediately. "Suspected" is when the round is too quiet, and no projectile exits the barrel and hits the target or the ground. The firearm shall be taken by the timer operator or designee, muzzle up, to the unloading table where the firearm will be made safe. The shooter may continue the stage with the other firearms. Rounds left in the firearm with the squib load will be counted as misses unless a reshoot has been offered.

17b. Percussion Firearms: When a percussion squib occurs (i.e. the percussion cap fires, but it does not fire the charge of black powder), the timer operator will stop the shooter immediately. The shooter will keep the firearms pointed down range for a minimum of 5 seconds to be sure the round is not a delay fire. Then, the firearm shall be taken by the timer operator or designee, muzzle up, to the unloading table where the firearm will be made safe. The shooter may continue the stage with the

other firearms. Rounds left in the firearm with the squib load will be counted as misses unless a reshoot has been offered.

Motion to amend passed unanimously.

The amended motion passed unanimously.

8. Proposal to Clarify Definition of Pocket Pistol in the Approved List, submitted by Bryan Buck

Current text:

Pocket Pistol

Any approved hand gun with 4 inch barrel or shorter; any approved pistol caliber.

The current definition of a pocket pistol is very broad, and includes handguns (pistols) that were not really pocket-sized pistols. For instance, if you have a Colt New Service revolver, caliber 45 Colt, and the barrel has been shortened to four inches or less, under the current definition, this would be a “pocket pistol”. However, such a revolver is a large frame (the largest frame revolver produced by Colt in our era) and would not be suited to be carried in a pocket – the actual intent of a true pocket pistol. This is an effort to better define “pocket pistol” in the context of the NCOWS time frame. During that time period, there were many manufacturers and designs of pocket pistols, revolvers or two-, three-, or four-barrel pistols (e.g. the Frank Wesson Superposed pistol or the Sharps four-barrel). It is not the intent here to create an itemized list. That would be an exhaustive exercise, and surely an important one would be left off a list. Rather, the intent here is to better define the characteristics of a pocket pistol.

Proposal to clarify the Approved List, submitted by Bryan Buck and Mark Smith

New Text

Pocket Pistol

A Pocket Pistol is defined as any pre-1899, percussion or cartridge, single or double action revolver, or replica thereof, that meets the following criteria:

1. A barrel no longer the 4 inches.
2. Weighing less than 27 ounces / 765 grams.
3. Any cartridges used to have a case length not to exceed 1.2 inches (typical of a .41 long colt.)

Dave Scott moved to accept the motion.

Mike Owen seconded the motion.

Alex Ray made a motion to amend the proposal to change ‘pre-1899’ to ‘pre-1900’.

Motion to amend was seconded by Anastasia Hope.

Amended motion:

Pocket Pistol

A Pocket Pistol is defined as any pre-1900, percussion or cartridge, single or double action revolver, or replica thereof, that meets the following criteria:

1. A barrel no longer the 4 inches.
2. Weighing less than 27 ounces / 765 grams.
3. Any cartridges used to have a case length not to exceed 1.2 inches (typical of a .41 long colt.)

Motion to amend passed unanimously.

The amended motion passed 24 Aye, 2 Nay.

Nay: Mike Scott (by John Irons proxy), Tom Spanton

9. Appendix A Cleanup, submitted by Bryan Buck

Remove shotgun reference from rule 13 since Originals Class no longer uses a shotgun.

13. Course of fire will be the same during the match as other shooters using two firearms. Reloads may be required, and use of a ~~shotgun or~~ revolver to engage rifle targets, may be dictated by the participant's choice of firearms.

Strike-through text is deleted.

John Covert moved to accept the motion.

Mike Owen seconded the motion.

John Covert made a motion to amend the proposal to remove entire second sentence.

Mike Owen seconded the motion.

Amended motion:

13. Course of fire will be the same during the match as other shooters using two firearms. ~~Reloads may be required, and use of a shotgun or revolver to engage rifle targets, may be dictated by the participant's choice of firearms.~~

Strike-through text is deleted.

Motion to amend passed unanimously.

The amended motion passed unanimously.

10. Proposed addition to By-Law 11 NCOWS RULES AND REGULATIONS, submitted by John Irons

The use of modern brass or lead bullet components may be used in order to fabricate ammunition for approved period correct firearms for which no commercially manufactured ammunition is readily available.

Bold is added text.

Len Ables moved to accept the motion.

John Covert seconded the motion.

Bryan Buck made a motion to amend the proposal to insert “original” between the words “correct firearms”. Motion to amend was seconded by Mike Owen.

Amended motion:

The use of modern brass or lead bullet components may be used in order to fabricate ammunition for approved period correct original firearms for which no commercially manufactured ammunition is readily available.

Motion to amend passed unanimously.

The amended motion passed unanimously.

11. Proposal to open the use of 22 short, long & long rifle for pistol use, submitted by Roger Ragland

It is suggested and proposed the following:

Open the use of 22 short, long & long rifle for pistol use (obviously no auto loaders).

This will reduce costs and allow the conservation of reloading components of higher approved calibers. It could make NCOWS Action shooting more affordable to new shooter prospects. In addition, cost of ammo would be far less for both current shooting members and new prospects.

Roger Ragland moved to accept the proposal.

No one seconded the motion.

Motion dies for lack of second

12. Proposal to add new shooting class called Town Marshal, submitted by Duane Butt

The following will be added to By-Law 10: Shooting Classes

Men’s and Women’s Town Marshal: Shooter uses two pistols and one shotgun. Shooters may shoot smokeless powder or black powder or approved black powder substitute powder. Shooter may fire handguns using a one-handed or two-handed grip.

Henry Schlein moved accept the proposal.

Bryan Buck seconded the motion.

The motion failed 5 Aye, 22 Nay.

Aye: Roger Ragland (by Joe Ray proxy), Bill Allen, Dave Butt, Henry Schlein, John Irons

13. Proposal that the Ruger Vaquero with birds head grip be added to the approved list, submitted by Duane Butt

It is requested that the following be added to the approved list.

Ruger Vaquero with birds head grip.

Bold is added text.

Withdrawn by Duane Butt

There being no further new business, Len Abel moved to adjourn.

Anastasia Hope seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

The 2021 meeting of the 43rd Territorial Congress adjourned at 9:27 pm.

Appendix A – Banker’s Reports

2020 BANKERS REPORT 1/1/2020 - 12/31/2020

INCOME

19-Nationals	\$ (247.17)
20-Convention	\$ (2,118.09)
20 Nationals	\$ 235.00
Membership	\$ 16,918.43
Merchandise	\$ (231.92)
20-Posse Renewal	\$ 315.00
21-Posse Renewal	\$ 245.00
Interest Income	\$ 3.44
Total Income	\$ 15,119.69

EXPENSES

Insurance	\$ (8,105.71)
Office	\$ (5,984.46)
Shootist	\$ (7,212.52)
Total Expenses	\$ (21,302.69)

Total Income	\$ 15,119.69
Total Expenses	\$ (21,302.69)
OVERALL TOTAL	\$ (6,183.00)

BEGINNING BALANCE	\$ 45,719.74
ENDING BALANCE	\$ 39,536.74
NET CHANGE	\$ (6,183.00)

2020 Convention

DATE	CK NUM	DESCRIPTION	MEMO	AMOUNT
10/29/2019		Deposit	Registration	\$ 65.00
11/5/2019		Deposit	Registration	\$ 480.00
11/22/2019		Deposit	Registration	\$ 470.00
12/10/2019		Deposot	Registration	\$ 925.00
12/31/2019		Deposit	Registration	\$ 155.00
1/14/2020		Deposit	Registration	\$ 130.00
1/22/2020		Deposit	Registration	\$ 500.00
2/13/2020		Deposit	Registration	\$ 260.00
2/18/2020		Deposit	Registration	\$ 810.00
3/2/2020		Deposit	Registration	\$ 845.00
3/9/2020		Deposit	Registration	\$ 1,030.00
3/13/2020		Deposit	Registration	\$ 370.00
3/30/2020	2261	Mary K. Ray	Refund	\$ (130.00)
4/1/2020	2265	Jim Kakvacos	Refund	\$ (260.00)
4/3/2020	2286	Doug & Carol Kenealy	Void	\$ -
4/3/2020	2279	Rick & Kay Followell	Refund	\$ (130.00)
4/3/2020	2287	Glen Kreilein	Refund	\$ (65.00)
4/6/2020	2303	Mark Smith	Refund	\$ (65.00)
4/6/2020	2270	Bryan Buck	Refund	\$ (130.00)
4/6/2020	2271	D. Butt	Refund	\$ (130.00)
4/6/2020	2272	Joe Cacciatore	Refund	\$ (105.00)
4/6/2020	2276	Ralph Fancher	Refund	\$ (65.00)
4/6/2020	2280	Lyle Greiner	Refund	\$ (105.00)
4/6/2020	2296	Patrick Postell	Refund	\$ (65.00)
4/6/2020	2297	Ed Randolph	Refund	\$ (65.00)
4/6/2020	2298	Jeff Saltzman	Refund	\$ (105.00)
4/7/2020	2299	Henry Schlein	Refund	\$ (65.00)
4/7/2020	2268	Jerry & Wendy Brickley	Refund	\$ (130.00)
4/7/2020	2283	John Irons	Refund	\$ (80.00)
4/7/2020	2288	John Lay	Refund	\$ (65.00)
4/9/2020	2302	John & Rosemary Sharp	Refund	\$ (130.00)
4/9/2020	2269	Homer Brown	Refund	\$ (115.00)
4/10/2020	2309	David R & David A. Young	Refund	\$ (130.00)
4/10/2020	2295	Reed Van Ness/Devyn Mentink	Refund	\$ (130.00)
4/13/2020	2301	Mike & Theresa Scott	Refund	\$ (160.00)
4/13/2020	2275	Mike Constable	Refund	\$ (80.00)
4/13/2020	2281	Annie Hillman	Refund	\$ (120.00)
4/13/2020	2304	Tom Spanton	Refund	\$ (155.00)
4/13/2020	2313	Bear Wallow Distillery	Refund	\$ (125.00)

2020 Convention (continued)

DATE	CK NUM	DESCRIPTION	MEMO	AMOUNT
4/14/2020	2315	Brian Bauer	Refund	\$ (65.00)
4/14/2020	2278	Steve Fields	Refund	\$ (130.00)
4/14/2020	2289	Dart Liebrandt	Refund	\$ (130.00)
4/14/2020	2294	Roger & Missy Crowe	Refund	\$ (130.00)
4/15/2020	2310	William Schwier	Refund	\$ (80.00)
4/15/2020	2290	Duane Liebrandt	Refund	\$ (130.00)
4/16/2020	2307	Jim Tucker	Refund	\$ (65.00)
4/20/2020	2284	Tom & Judy Jacobs	Refund	\$ (170.00)
4/20/2020	2273	Steve & Jeanna Channel/SMVS	Refund	\$ (130.00)
4/20/2020	2282	Hoker	Refund	\$ (65.00)
4/20/2020	2291	John & Patty Liford	Refund	\$ (130.00)
4/20/2020	2316	SMVS	Refund	\$ (671.09)
4/21/2020	2318	SMVC	Refund	\$ (162.00)
4/23/2020	2311	Mark A. Brunnemer	Refund	\$ (65.00)
4/24/2020	2277	Cliff Fendley	Refund	\$ (120.00)
4/24/2020	2308	Steve & Lyn Wheatley	Refund	\$ (130.00)
4/24/2020	2312	The Outpost	Refund	\$ (80.00)
4/24/2020	2319	Dayne Jessup	Refund	\$ (65.00)
4/27/2020	2320	Doug & Carol Kenealy	Refund	\$ (130.00)
4/30/2020	2306	John & Michele Torrence	Refund	\$ (120.00)
5/1/2020		Loy & Mary Jane Quade	Donation	\$ 130.00
5/1/2020	2266	Jeff Bailey	Refund	\$ (65.00)
5/1/2020	2274	Bob Chenault	Void	\$ -
5/1/2020	2285	Dayne Jessup	Void	\$ -
5/1/2020	2292	Larry Little	Refund	\$ (65.00)
5/1/2020	2293	Gearld Mears	Void	\$ -
5/1/2020	2305	Steven Tong	Refund	\$ (80.00)
5/3/2020	2314	Rocky's Pizza	Refund	\$ (50.00)
8/26/2020	2267	William Bell	Void	\$ -
8/26/2020	2300	Dave & Beth Scott	Refund	\$ (130.00)
NET TOTAL				\$ 106.91

2020 NATIONAL SHOOT

DATE	CK NUM	DESCRIPTION	MEMO	AMOUNT
3/9/2020	DEP	Deposit	Registration	\$ 180.00
3/17/2020	DEP	Deposit	Registration	\$ 105.00
4/13/2020	DEP	Deposit	3 Registrations	\$ 265.00
5/26/2020	DEP	Deposit	Registration	\$ 260.00
6/8/2020	DEP	Deposit	Dan Carder	\$ 115.00
6/16/2020	DEP	Deposit	3 Registrations	\$ 265.00
6/23/2020	DEP	Deposit	4 Registratons	\$ 340.00
6/30/2020	DEP	Deposit	2 Registrations	\$ 170.00
7/6/2020	DEP	Deposit	3 Registrations	\$ 235.00
7/31/2020	2338	Refund	Joe Ray	\$ (95.00)
8/1/2020	2331	Refund	Bryan & Caroline Buck	\$ (150.00)
8/1/2020	2332	Refund	Duane Butt	\$ (110.00)
8/1/2020	2333	Refund	Dan Carder/Void	\$ -
8/1/2020	2334	Refund	Brian Bauer	\$ (75.00)
8/1/2020	2336	Refund	Mike Owen	\$ (85.00)
8/1/2020	2337	Refund	Gearld Mears	\$ (85.00)
8/1/2020	2339	Refund	William Schwier	\$ (95.00)
8/1/2020	2340	Refund	Alan Blinzler	\$ (75.00)
8/1/2020	2341	Refund	John Irons	\$ (75.00)
8/1/2020	2342	Refund	John & Michelle Torrence	\$ (160.00)
8/1/2020	2343	Refund	Steve Wheatly	\$ (105.00)
8/1/2020	2345	Refund	Dale Savaglic	\$ (75.00)
8/1/2020	2346	Refund	Richard Marchal	\$ (105.00)
8/1/2020	2347	Refund	Lynn Wyand	\$ (85.00)
8/1/2020	2349	Refund	Patrick Postell	\$ (75.00)
8/7/2020	2350	Refund	Dart & Donna Liebrandt	\$ (190.00)
11/12/2020	2355	Refund	Dan Carder	\$ (60.00)
			NET TOTAL	\$ 235.00

National Congress of Old West Shootists

Minutes of the 44th Congress, Nashville IN March 25, 2022

6:30 PM

Senate and Representative Caucus

Representative Caucus: Five Representatives were in attendance and seven Representatives by proxy (see Roll Call). Representative Tom Spanton was elected to the position of Chair of the Territorial Representatives.

Senate Caucus: Twelve Senators were in attendance and three Senators by proxy (see Roll Call). Senator Mike Owen was elected as Chair of the Territorial Senate.

7:00 PM

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Marshall Tatham called the Congress to order at 7:00 PM
Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Roll Call

Senators present: Bryan Buck, John Covert, John Hoker, John Irons, Dart Liebrandt, Mike Owen, Patrick Postell, Alex Ray, Joe Ray, Dave Scott, Mike Tatham, Paul Weller

Present by Proxy: Caroline Buck, Robert Gallardo, John Torrence

Territorial Representatives present: Duane Butt, Kevin Daniels, Cliff Fendley, Anastasia Hope, Henry Schlein

Present by Proxy: Gary Davison, Mike Hansen, Kenneth Miller, Larry Quattlebaum, Mike Scott, Thomas Spanton, Mark Ward

Installation of New Senators and Representatives

Marshal Mike Tatham presided over the swearing in of new Territorial Representative Kevin Daniels and new Territorial Senators Caroline Buck, John Hoker, Dart Liebrandt, Mike Owen, and Patrick Postell.

Election of Officers

The nomination committee of Mike Owen, Dave Scott, and John Torrence presented the following nominations:

- Marshal – John Hoker
- Deputy Marshal – Dart Liebrandt
- Secretary – Patrick Postell
- Banker – Joe Ray
- Judge – Bryan Buck

No additional nominations were made for Marshal. Bryan Buck moved that John Hoker be Marshal. Paul Weller seconded.

Motion was passed unanimously.

John Hoker took over as Marshal for rest of meeting.

No additional nominations were made for Deputy Marshal. Mike Owen moved that Dart Liebrandt be Deputy Marshal. Paul Weller seconded.

Motion was passed unanimously.

No additional nominations were made for Secretary. Bryan Buck moved that Patrick Postell be Secretary. Henry Schlein seconded.

Motion was passed unanimously.

No additional nominations were made for Banker. Henry Schlein moved that Joe Ray be Banker. Alex Ray seconded.

Motion was passed unanimously.

No additional nominations were made for Judge. Duane Butt moved that Bryan Buck be Judge. Henry Schein seconded.

Motion was passed unanimously.

Mike Owen was elected to be Chair of the Territorial Senate by the Territorial Senate during the Senate Caucus.

Tom Spanton was elected to be Chair of the Territorial Representatives by the Territorial Representatives during the Representatives Caucus.

John Irons agreed to serve as Editor for another year.

Marshal Report

- Concerned about our aging membership.
- Would like to see an increase in the number of posses.
- Would like to see more NCOWS activity on CasCity.
- Need to ask NCOWS members to check in at CasCity so they can access NCOWS specific groups.

Deputy Report

- Will be checking with SMVS posse about hosting NCOWS convention next year.
- Have received positive feedback for SMVS hosting the NCOWS convention.

Judge Report

Nothing presented.

Presentation of Minutes of the 43rd Congress

A call to read the minutes from the 43rd Congress was made.

Paul Weller moved to have Congress accept the minutes as posted and published in the magazine.

Seconded by John Covert.

The motion carried unanimously.

Banker's Report

Banker's report was prepared by Banker Joe Ray.

Reports that were presented were disseminated by Joe Ray and included

1. 2021 Banker's Annual Report
2. 2021 National Convention Report
3. 2021 National Shoot Report

Copies of the report are appended to these minutes as Appendix A.

Motion to accept the bankers report was made by Henry Schlein, Seconded by Duane Butt.

Motion carried unanimously.

Senator Report

Nothing presented.

Territorial Representative Report

Nothing presented.

A round of applause was given to Mike Tatham for his years of service in Executive Committee.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

Marshal John Hoker addressed agenda items for the 44th Congress, 2022 in the order of the published agenda.

1. Proposed revision to By-Law 4: Elections, submitted by John Irons

Background: In order to publish the Senate candidates platforms and ballot for Territorial Senate in the Fall Shootist magazine, the date for submission of Senate candidates needs to be received by July 15th.

4-2. Nominations for Territorial Senator must be received by the Secretary in their entirety, including the candidates' platforms, by ~~31 August~~ **15 July** each year. The election of Territorial Senators will be completed by 1 December each year.

Strikethrough text is deleted, **Bold** is new text.

Mike Tatham moved to accept the proposal.

Paul Weller seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously using roll call vote.

2. Proposed revision to By-Law 10: Shooting Classes, submitted by John Irons

Proposal to eliminate the separation of shooting classes by age with exception of Junior and Adult.

10-1 NCOWS shooting classes are unique and offer the shooter a greater variety of firearm options. These options are in keeping with the various ways in which someone might have equipped themselves in the Old West. All NCOWS shooting classes, as established by By-Law must be made available to all shooters at each National, Regional or Charter Posse Shoot. These classes shall be:

Men's and Women's Four Gun Smokeless Shootist: Shooter uses two pistols, one shotgun, and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooters may shoot smokeless powder and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip.

Men's and Women's Three Gun Smokeless Shootist: Shooter uses two pistols and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooters may shoot smokeless powder and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip.

Men's and Women's Two Gun Smokeless Shootist Working Cowboy: Shooter uses one pistol and one pistol caliber rifle. No Gun Carts are to be used at any time. Shooters may shoot smokeless powder and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip.

Men's and Women's Four Gun Black Powder Shootist: Shooter uses two pistols, one shotgun, and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooter must shoot black powder or approved black powder substitute powder in all firearms except those chambered for rimfire cartridges, and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip. Shotguns may NOT include any model of pump shotgun.

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Men's and Women's Four Gun Smokeless Duelist: Shooter uses two pistols, one shotgun, and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooters may shoot smokeless powder and must fire handguns using a one-handed grip.

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Boy's and Girl's Four Gun Juniors: Shall be open to those 12 through 17 only. Shooter uses two pistols, one rifle and one shotgun. May use any of the above shooting styles.

Boy's and Girl's Two Gun Juniors: Shall be open to those 12 through 17 only. Shooter uses one pistol and one rifle. May use any of the above shooting styles.

~~**Men's and Women's Senior Four Gun Smokeless Shootist:** Shall be open to those over age 60 only. Shooter uses two pistols, one shotgun, and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooters may shoot smokeless powder and may fire handguns using a two-handed grip.~~

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Men's and Women's Four Gun Pistooleer: Shooter uses two pistols, one shotgun, and one pistol caliber rifle. Shooters are restricted to the use of percussion revolvers, pre-1873 percussion or original/authentic reproductions of rimfire cartridge pocket pistols, exposed hammer double-barreled shotguns (percussion or cartridge) and reproduction or original pre-1873 pistol-caliber repeating rifles (e.g. 1860 Henry, Spencer, 1866 Winchester, etc.) Shooters must shoot black powder or approved black powder substitute in all firearms except those chambered for rimfire cartridges. Pistols and revolvers must be shot one-handed. Pistooleer shooters will shoot the same course of fire as the other competitors except that in a stage requiring more than two shotgun rounds the Pistooleer shooter would not be required to shoot the extra rounds.

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Men's and Women's Originals: Shooter uses two guns, one rifle and one pistol to complete the course of fire. This class must be shot duelist/traditional style. Must have three originals present to have the class. For complete rules and regulations see Appendix A at the back of the Tally Book.

In addition to these classes, Chartered Clubs and special events may offer additional classes so long as they adhere to the general outline of these By-Laws. (Amended March, 2011) (Amended June 2013)

Strikethrough text is deleted.

Mike Tatham moved to accept the proposal.

Paul Weller seconded the motion.

Anastasia Hope moved to amend the proposal to clarify it.

Duane Butt seconded motion.

Amended motion:

Proposal to consolidate the Adult, Senior, and Elder classes in a Single Adult class.

Following discussion, Anastasia Hope withdrew her motion to amend and was approved without objection.

Mike Tatham restated motion without objection.

Restated motion:

Proposal to consolidate the Adult, Senior, and Elder classes in a Single Adult class.

John Covert moved to accept restated motion.

Paul Weller seconded the motion.

The motion passed 23 Aye, 3 Nay.

Nay: Gary Davidson (by John Hoker proxy), Cliff Fendley, Robert Gallardo (by Patrick Postell proxy), Mark Ward (by Patrick Postell proxy)

3. Proposal to add new shooting class called Al Sieber, submitted by Duane Butt

The following will be added to By-Law 10: Shooting Classes

Al Sieber: Shooter uses one pistol, one shotgun, and one single shot rifle. All shooters shoot in one category regardless of sex, age, or style of shooting. Shooters must shoot black powder or approved black powder substitute in all firearms and may fire handguns using a one-handed or two-handed grip. Shooter must use a single shot rifle and shoot as many shots as needed to complete stage. Shooter must use a percussion or cartridge revolver and shoot five shots only. Shooter must use a percussion or cartridge shotgun and shoot two shots only. Can be shot without shotgun with a 20 second penalty. Rifles over the revolver caliber must use light loads such as 45-70 Gov't 40 grain black powder loads maximum with filler. Maximum bullet weight of 405 grains.

Bryan Buck moved to accept the proposal.

Paul Weller seconded the motion.

The motion failed 4 Aye, 23 Nay.

Aye: Duane Butt, Dart Liebrandt, John Torrence (by Mike Tatham proxy), Paul Weller

There being no further new business, John Covert moved to adjourn.

Mike Owen seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously

The 2022 meeting of the 44th Territorial Congress adjourned at 8:26pm.

Appendix A – Banker’s Reports

NCOWS Annual Financial Report 2021

CATEGORY	Description	Memo	Amount
1/1/2021		BEGINING BALANCE	\$ 39,536.74
INCOME			
21-Convention			\$ 779.64
21-National Shoot			\$ 31.93
21-Posse Renewal			\$ 210.00
22-Convention			\$ 1,210.00
22-Posse Renewal			\$ 105.00
Interest Income			\$ 2.38
Membership			\$ 15,989.23
Merchandise			\$ (46.41)
Shootist Advertising			\$ 1,198.00
		Total Income	\$ 19,479.77
EXPENSES			
Donations Insurance			\$ (1,000.00)
Merchandise Postage			\$ (8,152.36)
Office			\$ (19.57)
Shootist			\$ (2,863.60)
Shootist Postage			\$ (10,916.10)
			\$ (85.99)
		Total Expenses	\$ (23,037.62)
		Total Income	\$ 19,479.77
		Total Expenses	\$ (23,037.62)
		NET	\$ (3,557.85)
		LOSS	\$ 3,557.85
		BEGINING BALANCE	\$ 39,536.74
		Total Income	\$ 19,479.77
		Total Expenses	\$ (23,037.62)
		CASH ON HAND 12/31/2021	\$ 35,978.89

21-Convention

INCOME

1/8/2021	DEP	Deposit	Registrations	\$ 470.00
1/26/2021	DEP	Deposit	Resgistrations	\$ 260.00
2/5/2021	DEP	Deposit	Registrations	\$ 1,210.00
2/10/2021	DEP	Deposit	Registration 4 Vendor 3 Conventioneer	\$ 615.00
2/19/2021	DEP	Dep	Registrations	\$ 455.00
2/23/2021	DEP	Registrations	Channel & Buck	\$ 300.00
3/5/2021	DEP	Registration	Irons, Bauer,Keaneally, Smith & Fendley	\$ 470.00
3/7/2021	DEP	Registration	Little, Covert, Boyd, Hoker, Kirst,& Spanton	\$ 640.00
3/8/2021	DEP	Rocky's Pizza	Sponsor	\$ 50.00
3/8/2021	DEP	Bear Wallow Dist	Sponsor	\$ 75.00
3/8/2021	DEP	Sponsor	Outpost, B Rich	\$ 100.00
3/8/2021	DEP	Registration	Brickley, Fields, Followell, Torrence	\$ 510.00
3/25/2021	DEP	Late Registrations	Late Registrations	\$ 760.00
3/25/2021	DEP	Cash	Walk Ins	\$ 120.00
3/25/2021	DEP	Cash	BB Gun Shoot	\$ 106.00
3/25/2021	DEP	Cash	Raffle	\$ 220.00
3/25/2021	DEP	Cash	Late Registrations	\$ 520.00
			TOTAL INCOME	\$ 6,881.00

EXPENSE

3/21/2021	2363	Seasons Lodge	Convention Center	\$ (4,371.36)
3/21/2021	2364	Dale Roahrig	Band	\$ (200.00)
3/21/2021	2365	SMVS	Posse Stipend	\$ (1,000.00)
3/25/2021	2366	Jerry Brickley	Refund	\$ (130.00)
4/7/2021	2367	Walt Kirst	Refund	\$ (160.00)
4/9/2021	2368	SMVC	Beer for Friday meal	\$ (240.00)
			TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ (6,101.36)
			TOTAL INCOME	\$ 6,881.00
			TOTAL EXPENSE	\$ (6,101.36)
			NET	\$ 779.64

21-National Shoot

INCOME

3/30/2021	DEP	Registration	Gallardo & Spearman	\$ 190.00
4/4/2021	DEP	Registration	John Irons	\$ 85.00
4/6/2021	DEP	Registration	John Covert	\$ 75.00
4/12/2021	DEP	Registration	Butts & Owen	\$ 170.00
4/16/2021	DEP	Registration	Hoker, Carder, Scott	\$ 450.00
4/21/2021	DEP	Registration	Postell, Borer, Kreiland, Leibrandt	\$ 510.00
4/23/2021	DEP	Registration	Hobbs & Buck	\$ 245.00
4/26/2021	DEP	Registration	Schwier, Torrence, Birk & Estrada	\$ 415.00
4/30/2021	DEP	Registration	Ray & Smith	\$ 170.00
5/7/2021	DEP	Registration	Bauer, Weller, Kakavecoc	\$ 260.00
5/13/2021	DEP	Registration	Ryan	\$ 95.00
5/26/2021	DEP	Registration	Darrell Sherwood	\$ 80.00
5/28/2021	DEP	Registration	Tommy Reynal	\$ 100.00
6/8/2021	DEP	Registration	6 Registrations	\$ 490.00
6/8/2021	DEP	Auction	Auctions	\$ 480.00
6/8/2021	DEP	Side Matches	Side Matches	\$ 6.00
6/8/2021	DEP	Raffle	Raffle	\$ 535.00
			Total Income	\$ 4,356.00

EXPENSES

3/2/2021	2359	St John Hall	Banquet Hall Rental	\$ (350.00)
6/8/2021	2374	Banquet	Elaine Bones Food Prep	\$ (540.00)
6/8/2021	2375	Free State Rangers	Range Rental	\$ (2,500.00)
6/8/2021	2376	KVC	Posse Stipend	\$ (500.00)
10/13/2021	2389	Mike Tatham	Shoot Booklets	\$ (434.07)
			Total Expenses	\$ (4,324.07)

TOTAL INCOME	\$ 31.93
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National Congress of Old West Shootists

Minutes of the 45th Congress, Nashville IN March 24, 2023

6:30 PM

Senate and Representative Caucus

Representative Caucus: Seven Representatives were in attendance and six Representatives by proxy (see Roll Call). Representative Tom Spanton was elected to the position of Chair of the Territorial Representatives.

Senate Caucus: Twelve Senators were in attendance and three Senators by proxy (see Roll Call). Senator Mike Tatham was elected as Chair of the Territorial Senate.

7:00 PM

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Deputy Marshal Dart Liebrandt called the Congress to order at 7:00 PM
Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Roll Call

Senators present: Richard Boyd, Bryan Buck, Caroline Buck, John Irons, Glen Kreilein, Dart Liebrandt, Patrick Postell, Alex Ray, Joe Ray, Dave Scott, Mike Tatham, Paul Weller

Present by Proxy: Robert Gallardo, John Hoker, John Torrence

Territorial Representatives present: Duane Butt, Robert Duff, Cliff Fendley, Anastasia Hope, Henry Schlein, Mike Scott, Thomas Spanton

Present by Proxy: Kevin Daniels, Gary Davison, Mike Hansen, Kenneth Miller, Larry Quattlebaum, Mark Ward

Installation of New Senators and Representatives

Deputy Marshal Dart Liebrandt presided over the swearing in of new Territorial Representative Robert Duff and new Territorial Senators Richard Boyd, John Irons, Glen Kreilein, Alex Ray, Dave Scott, and Mike Tatham.

Election of Officers

John Hoker was nominated for Marshal. Mike Tatham moved to close nominations for Marshal. Bryan Buck seconded. Chair Dart Liebrandt confirmed there were no additional nominations and then vote was held for John Hoker to be Marshal.

Motion was passed unanimously.

Dart Liebrandt was nominated for Deputy Marshal. Anastasia Hope moved to close nominations for Deputy Marshal. Alex Ray seconded. Chair Dart Liebrandt confirmed there were no additional nominations and then vote was held for Dart Liebrandt to be Deputy Marshal.

Motion was passed unanimously.

Patrick Postell was nominated for Secretary. Bryan Buck moved to close nominations for Secretary. Henry Schlein seconded. Chair Dart Liebrandt confirmed there were no additional nominations and then vote was held for Patrick Postell to be Secretary.

Motion was passed unanimously.

Joe Ray was nominated for Banker. Caroline Buck moved to close nominations for Banker. Mike Tatham seconded. Chair Dart Liebrandt confirmed there were no additional nominations and then vote was held for Joe Ray to be Banker.

Motion was passed unanimously.

Bryan Buck was nominated for Judge. Glen Kreilein moved to close nominations for Judge. Caroline Buck seconded. Chair Dart Liebrandt confirmed there were no additional nominations and then vote was held for Bryan Buck to be Judge.

Motion was passed unanimously.

Mike Tatham was elected to be Chair of the Territorial Senate by the Territorial Senate during the Senate Caucus.

Tom Spanton was elected to be Chair of the Territorial Representatives by the Territorial Representatives during the Representatives Caucus.

John Irons agreed to serve as Editor for another year.

Presentation of Minutes of the 44th Congress

A call to read the minutes from the 44th Congress was made.

Bryan Buck moved to have Congress accept the minutes as posted and published in the magazine.

Seconded by Henry Schlein.

The motion carried unanimously.

Marshal Report

Dave Scott read a message from John Hoker. John said he was sorry he could not attend. He welcomed the new posse Northeast Territories Cattle & Freight Company and said we have already signed up 30 new members this year. He asked all Senators and Representatives to review the Congress listing in the Shootist magazine and verify their contact information is correct. He has been trying to get more people involved in our internet forum at CAS City and asked all Representatives to make sure their posse members know about CAS City. He also asked if anyone was interested in hosting the Convention next year to let the Congress know.

Deputy Report

Reminded people that NCOWS will reimburse expenses to promote NCOWS at events (refer to Tally Book for details). SMVS has done this with success this last year.

Judge Report

Nothing presented.

Banker's Report

Banker's report was prepared by Banker Joe Ray.

Reports that were presented were disseminated by Joe Ray and included

1. 2022 Banker's Annual Report
2. 2022 National Convention Report
3. 2022 National Shoot Report

Copies of the report are appended to these minutes as Appendix A.

Motion to accept the bankers report was made by Mike Tatham, Seconded by Bryan Buck.

Motion carried unanimously.

Senator Report

Nothing presented.

Territorial Representative Report

Nothing presented.

Recognized new Posse Representative

Robert Duff was recognized as the new posse representative for the Northeast Territories Cattle & Freight Company.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

Chair Dart Liebrandt addressed agenda items for the 45th Congress, 2023 in the order of the published agenda.

1. Approval of new the Posse “Northeast Territories Cattle & Freight Company”, submitted by Patrick Postell

The Executive Committee has reviewed the application of the Northeast Territories Cattle & Freight Company and found that they have met all required criteria to become an NCOWS Posse and recommends the Congress approve their application.

Dave Scott moved to accept the proposal.

Bryan Buck seconded the motion.

The motion passed 27 Aye, 0 Nay, 1 Abstention.

Abstention: Kevin Daniels (by Bryan Buck proxy)

2. Amendment to the Range Rules and Regulations, submitted by Bryan Buck

Bryan Buck modified his original proposal to the following when agenda item was presented.

Some additional clarification is needed to further the safety of the shooter and timer operator.

Addition to Range Rules and Regulations, after “The Judge or Deputy Judge's decision shall be final.” New paragraph:

The Timer Operator shall not hold the timing clock device any farther forward than the shooter’s elbow of the arm operating the trigger to prevent injury to the timer operator in the event a mishap occurs. See Safety and Procedure Rule 17.

Bold is new text.

John Irons moved to accept the proposal.

Paul Weller seconded the motion.

During discussion, it was decided that the Judge Bryan Buck should discuss proper timer operations in a future Shootist issue.

The motion passed 24 Aye, 3 Nay, 1 Abstention.

Nay: Richard Boyd, Mike Hansen (by Patrick Postell proxy), Henry Schlein

Abstention: Kevin Daniels (by Bryan Buck proxy)

3. Additional clarification to Safety and Procedure Rule 17 - Submitted by Bryan Buck

Bryan Buck modified his original proposal to the following when agenda item was presented.

Some additional clarification is needed to further the safety of the shooter and timer operator, and define loads being fired.

17. No squib, or magnum velocity loads. No jacketed bullets, only cast lead alloy ~~only~~ bullets. Shot is to be lead only, and no larger than #7 1/2's. Only cartridges and velocities approved in The Tally Book are allowed. Shooters may be held responsible for damage caused to a target by too "hot" a load.

Definitions:

"Squib" shall be defined as an inadvertent load too light for the bullet to clear the muzzle of the firearm it was fired in.

"Magnum Load" shall be defined as a heavy load that exceeds that of a standard black powder load equivalent and may damage targets or target stands.

Bold is new text, strike through text is deleted

17a. **Squib In** Cartridge Firearms: When it is suspected a squib load has been fired, the timer operator will stop the shooter immediately. "Suspected" is when the round is too quiet, and no projectile exits the barrel and hits the target or the ground. The firearm shall be taken by the timer operator or designee, muzzle up, to the unloading table where the firearm will be made safe. The shooter may continue the stage with the other firearms. Rounds left in the firearm with the squib load will be counted as misses unless a reshoot has been offered. (Added March 2021).

Bold is new text.

17b. **Squib In** Percussion Firearms: When a percussion squib occurs (i.e. the percussion cap fires, but it does not fire the charge of black powder), the timer operator will stop the shooter immediately. The shooter will keep the firearms pointed down range for a minimum of 5 seconds to be sure the round is not a delay fire. ~~Then, the firearm shall be taken by the timer operator or designee, muzzle up, to the unloading table where the firearm will be made safe. The shooter may continue the stage with the other firearms. Rounds left in the firearm with the squib load will be counted as misses unless a reshoot has been offered.~~ **Once the margin of safety time (5 seconds) has been met, the shooter may continue until the firearm is empty. If the shooter desires, the shooter may recap the chamber(s) that did not fire while still on the clock and finish the course of fire.** (Added March 2021).

Bold is new text, ~~Strikethrough~~ is deleted text.

Caroline Buck moved to accept the proposal.

Paul Weller seconded the motion.

During discussion, issues were brought up with the definition of a squib and misfire and how they apply to percussion firearms.

After discussion, the motion was withdrawn without objection.

4. Addition to the Safety and Procedure Rules, submitted by Thomas Spanton

To give direction to club officers and uniformity to matches, the following addition to the bylaws is proposed. This proposal is presented to put into written format what has been practiced by NCOWS.

26. Alibi, Reshoot or Restart. If a malfunction occurs during a stage at a Regional level shoot or above, one, and only one, alibi will be allowed.

26a. If the competitor has a malfunction during a timed portion of a stage and wishes to claim a malfunction, they must lower their firearm to the “Ready” position and raise their non-shooting arm, interrupting the course of fire. If the malfunction is not the result of a shooter problem, the shooter will be allowed to shoot an alibi shoot for that stage. If, however, it is the result of a shooter error (forgetting to load the gun, safety still on, etc.), it is a shooter problem and not eligible for an alibi. The final time for this stage will be whatever maximum is determined by the club for that match (i.e. 999.99).

26b. If there is a range failure (failure of props, timer failure/unrecorded time, or Stage Marshal interference) beyond the competitor’s control, a reshoot may be granted.

26c. On a reshoot or alibi, the competitor starts over clean, carrying only accrued safety penalties forward.

26d. Restarts shall be allowed for a competitor to achieve a “clean” start before the first round goes down range. Multiple restarts by the same shooter, that in the judgment of the Stage Marshal are seen to be “taking advantage,” will not be entertained as they are not in the “Cowboy Code.”

Bold is new text.

Bryan Buck moved to accept the proposal.

Dave Butt seconded the motion.

During discussion issues in 26a about final time for stage and in 26b about reshoot may be granted were brought up.

The motion failed 2 Aye, 25 Nay, 1 Abstention.

Aye: Mike Hansen (by Patrick Postell proxy), Larry Quattlebaum (by Patrick Postell proxy)

Abstention: Kevin Daniels (by Bryan Buck proxy)

Chair Dart Liebrandt asked everyone to let the Congress know if anyone was interested hosting the 2024 Convention or 2024 Nationals.

There being no further new business, Dave Scott moved to adjourn.

Caroline Buck seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously

The 2023 meeting of the 45th Territorial Congress adjourned at 8:45pm.

Appendix A – Banker’s Reports

NCOWS Annual Report 2022

1/1/2022 through 12/31/2022

INCOME

22-Convention	\$	(644.50)
22-Nationals	\$	1,574.61
22-Posse Renewal	\$	280.00
23-Convention	\$	725.00
23-Posse Renewal	\$	350.00
Interest Income	\$	5.97
Membership	\$	16,867.91
Merchandise	\$	823.94
Shootist Advertising	\$	1,190.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$	21,172.93

EXPENSES

Insurance	\$	(8,847.67)
Merchandise Postage	\$	(36.76)
Office	\$	(2,757.96)
Shootist	\$	(8,593.60)
Shootist Postage	\$	(125.55)
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	(20,361.54)

OVERALL NET INCOME	\$	811.39
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2022 Convention Report

INCOME

10/14/2021	Registration Conventioneer	Schlein, Fancher	\$ 130.00
10/14/2021	Registration Vendor	Schwier, Brunnermer	\$ 155.00
11/11/2021	Registration Conventioneer	Dan & Diane Carder	\$ 130.00
11/17/2021	Registration Conventioneer	Schirmer, Leibrandt & Butt	\$ 300.00
11/22/2021	Registration Vendor	Liebrandt	\$ 105.00
11/30/2021	Registration Conventioneer	John Liford	\$ 130.00
12/12/2021	Registration Conventioneer	Postell	\$ 65.00
12/17/2021	Registration Conventioneer	Brickley, Wyand	\$ 195.00
1/19/2022	Registration	Registrations	\$ 585.00
1/26/2022	Registration	Young & Mears	\$ 170.00
1/31/2022	Registration	Kakavecoc & Hammond	\$ 260.00
2/1/2022	Registration	Ray & Kreilein	\$ 195.00
2/4/2022	Registration	Hoker & Owen	\$ 170.00
2/8/2022	Registration	Kenealy, Bauer & Abels	\$ 295.00
2/15/2022	Registration	3 Conventioneer, 1 Vendor	\$ 220.00
2/16/2022	Registration	Lay	\$ 105.00
2/17/2022	Registration	Van Ness	\$ 65.00
2/22/2022	Registration	Anastasia's Books	\$ 155.00
3/2/2022	Registration	Jacobs & Hillman (Vendor)	\$ 205.00
3/4/2022	Registration	Smith, Quade, West Fork, Kirkeby	\$ 375.00
3/10/2022	Registration	Gardner, Saltzman, Scott, Schwier	\$ 470.00
3/12/2022	Registration	Alex Ray	\$ 65.00
4/3/2022	Registration	Followell	\$ 130.00
4/3/2022	Registration	Buck	\$ 65.00
4/3/2022	Registration	Scott	\$ 65.00
4/3/2022	Registration	Late Registrations	\$ 145.00
4/3/2022	Walk-ins	Walk-ins	\$ 200.00
4/3/2022	Raffle	Raffle	\$ 1,391.00
TOTAL INCOME			\$ 6,541.00

EXPENSES

3/27/2022	Rusty Bucket	Band	\$ (200.00)
3/27/2022	Janet Lewis	Dance Instructor	\$ (300.00)
3/27/2022	Spinning Lady	Spinning Seminar	\$ (80.00)
3/27/2022	SMVC	Posse Stipend for Convention	\$ (1,000.00)
3/27/2022	Seasons Lodge	Convention Meeting room & banquet	\$ (4,395.50)
TOTAL EXPENSE			\$ (5,975.50)

TOTAL INCOME		\$ 6,541.00
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$ (5,975.50)
NET		\$ 565.50

NCOWS 2022 NATIONALS

INCOME

4/4/2022	Knife Raffle	Cash	\$ 95.00
4/18/2022	Registration	Alan Blinzler	\$ 75.00
4/25/2022	Registration	9 Registrations	\$ 870.00
5/3/2022	Registration	6 Registrations	\$ 490.00
5/6/2022	Registration	6 Registrations	\$ 540.00
5/10/2022	Registration	Mike Owen	\$ 90.00
5/17/2022	Registration	Joe Spearman	\$ 100.00
5/17/2022	Registration	Bench & Butt	\$ 220.00
5/19/2022	Registrations	Weller, Covert. Irons, Ryan	\$ 350.00
5/20/2022	Registration	Mike Scott, J. Kakavec	\$ 180.00
6/3/2022	Registrations	Burgess, Gallardo, Hobbs	\$ 280.00
6/4/2022	Registration	Liford, Melton, Bozarth, Hope/Tatham	\$ 530.00
6/8/2022	Knife Raffle	Cash	\$ 235.00
6/8/2022	Revolver Raffle	Cash	\$ 505.00
6/8/2022	Primer Raffle	Cash	\$ 430.00
TOTAL INCOME			\$ 4,990.00

EXPENSE

5/3/2022	St John The Baptist	Banquet Hall Rental	\$ (350.00)
5/20/2022	Paul Weller	Toner for Shoot Booklets	\$ (60.39)
6/3/2022	KVC	Posse Stipend	\$ (500.00)
6/8/2022	Elaine Bones	Banquet	\$ (480.00)
6/8/2022	Free State Rangers	Range Fee	\$ (2,025.00)
TOTAL EXPENSE			\$ (3,415.39)

TOTAL INCOME		\$ 4,990.00
TOTAL EXPENSE		\$ (3,415.39)
TOTAL NET		\$ 1,574.61