



NORTHERN VIRGINIA SAIL AND POWER SQUADRON
2013-2014 General MEETING
13 July 2014

BoatUS® Headquarters conference room, Alexandria, Virginia, was the venue for the General Meeting. Building access and security badges were handled by Rich Unis, Cmd. NVSPS social time started at 1900 hrs. Refreshments were provided by Ann and George Nartsissov. The meeting was called to order at 1938. A quorum was present (21 members were in attendance). Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Commander. Invocation was provided by John. Meeting adjourned at 2015.

BRIDGE:

Commander, Rich Unis, AP
Admin Officer, Kim-Kwok Chu
Executive Officer Vacant
Education Officer, Lt/C Ed Phillips
Treasurer, Lt/C Dave Hinkins, s
Assistant Treasurer, Ann Nartsissov,
Secretary, Mary-Jane Starbuck-Hinkins

P/C John G. Karjala, P
P/C George Nartsissov, AP
P/C Francis Williamson, AP
P/C G. Jay Nelson, AP, absent
P/C Alan Hart,

Lt Frederick Zugay, JN,

MEMBERS AT LARGE:

P/Lt/C Cathy Sheffield, AP, absent

REPORTS IN THE ORDER OF DISCUSSION:

Minutes and Audit report were available for all. Commander asked that the minutes from last meeting be approved

Secretary – Lt/C Mary-Jane Hinkins handed out last months' meeting minutes one change was request and a motion was made by Richard Cohen made a motion accept the minutes with one name change. Lt/C Francis Williamson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Commander's Report – Cdr. Rich Unis, AP

Recognized the past Cdr who were present: George Nartsissov, Alan Hart, John Karjala, Francis Williamson,

August 8-10 2014 Cruise to Chesapeake in Crisfield, Maryland Ed Philips will attend and represent the squadron. Aug 2, Sea Scout flag ship award Commander will attend.

Commander will contact District Commander regarding Civic Service Award.

Boat Show – feedback – Ed has 32 requests to go to Fred and he hasn't sent them to Fred yet. And the winners haven't been notified yet.

Tom Ballew presented the Sea Scout with some certificate at the last Sea Scout meeting. How many squadrons have Sea Scouts squadrons that they actively support?

Education Officer Report—Ed Phillips -- Co-op charting work shop – ABC 6 Wed. starting July 30, Cruise planning and the Seamanship plan to start on the 20th of September. Recently had the AP tests back and 4 people passed. Including Kim. Also: Pleasure cove marina – cooperative charting learning this weekend. He plans to participate.

Wounded Warrior Cruise – Francis Williamson: We have the Sea Scouts and we should have 6 or 7 boats. We are still targeting 40 WW. Passed 3 of the reviews so far. We are short \$1000. We will try to pay for ice, coffee, banners, balloons, and both meals which are about \$20/p. The event is at the Naval Air station on the Patuxent River. 13 September. Dock master position is filled and shore party lead as well.

Sue Karjala brought up the fact that there are less and less wounded warriors and more and more groups doing activities with them. Wouldn't perhaps in years to come our energy be better served in another cause? We should perhaps expand perhaps do more with Fischer house or be open to other suggestions.

VSC – Francis Williamson already performed about 75 and counting VSC. So we are off and running. This is great since we have had only one organized event. We do have a schedule event at Old Dominion and Alexandria City Docks. Haven't had any reservations yet. It has been advertised.

Admin Officer, Kim-Kwok Chu, Report: Calendar is on the website and up to date. He would assist at WW.

O' Tars & Terns, Jay Nelson, Absent, Next publication date is the 25th. Please mark your calendars and get your articles in.

Membership: Cyber members – are eligible for a squadron but must join one to be eligible for classes.

Treasurer Report: Dave Hinkins, We are solvent. We need to schedule the audit. \$ 1209.04 membership dues. \$6467 is our new balance. CDs rate has gone down to 1.7% down to 0.66. Navy Federal will not work out everyone in the squadron, must be eligible to join so this is out. TD Ameritrade (Insured by FDIC) Has Bonds right now at 2.5 to 3.5 though they are not short term. There is worry about penalties. TD says they may pay the penalties if we put the whole ball at TD Ameritrade. He will continue to investigate for better rates. Two CDs come due Aug. 9th. Penalty is negligible. The accounts could roll over to a savings account. Flower Power's interest is even less... Further investigation will be pursued. The charter will be reviewed for any restrictions. Still no audit

Gail Als: Unfinished Business – tour of Rachel Carson is scheduled for Oct. 3 with a backup date of Oct. 17. Both dates are on Fridays. We will carpool. Hiring a bus will prove to be too expensive.

Jim and Robin will be here for November meeting. We have rescheduled the skipper Of the Rachael Carson for January 2015. Sept we have Beth Lenard who will speak on Circumnavigations. October our meeting will coincide with October fest.

Commander: Excom – met and reviewed draft goals objects and vision statement for the year. The Cdr wrote an article in the Tars N Terns you can see what our plans and goals are for education, community service and paternal organization

USPS

- 7-14 Sep 2014 Governing Board, Arlington, VA
- 18 – 25 Jan 2015, Annual Meeting, Jacksonville, FL
- We have 139 Members plus 4 woman certificates.
- Read letter of Appreciation from D/1Lt Stow for the Holiday Part

Next Meetings:

- EXCOM – 27 July 2014
- General Meeting Sept 11, 2014

Membership renewals are coming in by email and you will have to go to a link and then you could request a copy of your invoice. Some things on the renewal are very confusing and easy to delete. Argument arose about sending a paper invoice.

Social time – we did not have a speaker

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Lt/C Mary-Jane Hinkins

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