Surface Navy Association Executive Committee Meeting Minutes (Draft) January 9, 2013

IN ATTENDANCE

VADM Admiral Ronald Route, USN (Ret)
CAPT Bill Campbell, USN (Ret)
RADM Dennis Conley, USN (Ret)
VADM Bill Earner, USN (Ret)
VADM Kevin Green, USN (Ret)
VADM Lee Gunn, USN (Ret)
CNOMC Harry Kantrovich, USN (Ret)

VADM Doug Katz, USN (Ret)
VADM Tim La Fleur, USN (Ret)
CAPT Dave Lee, USN (Ret)

CAPT Ned Lundquist, USN (Ret)

Mr. Dave McComb

Mr. Charlie McCullough (via phone)

LT Robert McFall, USN

RADM Robert Reilly, USN (Ret) CAPT Paul Rinn, USN (Ret) CAPT Mark Sedlacek, USN (Ret)

CAPT Matt Sharpe, USN (Ret) (via phone)

RADM John Tozzi, USCG (Ret) CAPT Dave Welch, USN

CAPT Bill Erickson, USN (Ret)

Julie Howard

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The meeting was called to order by the President. VADM Ron Route welcomed all attendees to the meeting. The minutes from the last Executive Committee Meeting were approved with no changes.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

The US DoD Personnel and Readiness Memo, issued 30 November 2012, has revised a policy regarding active duty personnel serving as members of Boards of Directors. One important change is that that Base Commanders cannot serve. The immediate impact to us is the loss of the President and Vice President for San Diego. During the symposium the Executive Director will meet with the Chairman of the Board for San Diego, VADM Tim LaFleur, USN (Ret), and the Chief of Staff for San Diego, CAPT Roy Kitchener, USN, to work on a course of action. It is hoped that there will be no further chapters impacted by this policy.

It is time to renew the contract for management services between SNA and Howard Associates, Inc. The proposed contract has been reviewed by RADM Hare, USN (Ret), the Association's pro-bono legal advisor and the Treasurer, CAPT Tackett, USN (Ret). This is a 5 year contract to match the time frame of the lease on the new office space. There is no change to the level of effort; however the previous annual increase percentage of 5%, that has been in place since Howard took over the contract from Kane Associates, has been reduced to COLA plus 80 points.

Association events to be held next week at the symposium were reviewed. It was noted that there is a very good response from current and new Board Members to attend, as well as from Chapter Presidents.

CORPORATE MEMBERS REPORT

SNA currently has 85 corporate members. We did make budget and already have some monies credited for 2013.

SECRETARY REPORT

Nothing to report

TREASURER REPORT

For the end of the year finances we bought in more revenue than was budgeted and ended 2012 with just over \$28,000 additional revenue. SNA also provided \$104,590 to its chapters to support their local events. In 2013 there will be some minor adjustments to how things are reported to help better clarify some line items.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

The presentation that will be provided to the Board of Directors was reviewed. The new policy for maintaining a level of financial reserves as discussed earlier will be presented for vote.

SYMPOSIUM REPORT

Changes to the final agenda were reviewed as was the 'Watch Bill'. The advance registration numbers seemed favorable when compared to this point last year. Empire Media has been contracted to video tape the sessions and to post them to SNA's YouTube Channel. This will be private and will only be released once we have received permission to do so from the speakers. Defense Media Service will also cover the event and will live stream a number of presentations.

As a result of the changes in policy on the use of travel funds for active duty personnel SNA has had to pick up more awardees travel costs than in the past.

AWARD REPORT

In 2012 we gave out around 600 awards. The formal turnover of the Old Salt from VADM Blake to VADM LeFever will take place at the banquet.

SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

No Report

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

The statistics for December show a gain of 10 members however for the entire year of 2012 we ended up with a small decrease.

PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT

It is hoped that we will have a good media turnout for the symposium. We are already seeing some media recognition that the event is taking place. At the end of this report the President recognized CAPT Lundquist, USN (Ret) for is stellar work on the SITREP.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

No Report

NEW BUSINESS

Next meeting will be held after the symposium Hot Wash Up. CAPT Bill Erickson will email proposed dates to EXCOM.

Meeting adjourned at 1815.