

**Surface Navy Association  
Executive Committee Meeting Minutes (Draft)  
November 7, 2013**

**IN ATTENDANCE**

VADM Barry McCullough, USN (Ret)  
LCDR Jeff Benson, USN, (*phone*)  
CDR Matt Bonner, USN, (*phone*)  
CAPT Mike Davis, USN (Ret), (*phone*)  
RADM Dave Glenn, USCG (Ret)  
RADM Dave Hart, USN (Ret)  
RADM Dennis Conley, USN (Ret)  
CAPT Ron Jenkins, USN (Ret)  
VADM Doug Katz, USN (Ret)  
VADM Tim LaFleur, USN (Ret) (*phone*)

CAPT Dave Lee, USN (Ret)  
CAPT Ned Lundquist, USN (Ret)  
RADM Robert Reilly, USN (Ret)  
CAPT Paul Rinn, USN (Ret)  
CAPT Mark Sedlacek, USN (Ret)  
CAPT Bill Erickson, USN (Ret)  
Julie Howard, (*phone*)  
Debbie Garry  
Marianne Catina

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

The meeting was called to order by the President, VADM Barry McCullough at 1707. Admiral McCullough reported that SNA has purchased the farewell gift for VADM Ron Route which will be presented at the SNA Symposium if he is able to attend. Admiral McCullough will contact Admiral Jim Hogg with the updated information on the gift.

The minutes from the October 3, 2013 Executive Committee Meeting were approved with no changes

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**

The minutes from the January 2013 Board of Directors meeting including corrections and action items are posted on the Board of Directors website.

The West Coast Symposium finances have been finalized. SNA made a profit of \$11K.

**CORPORATE MEMBERS REPORT**

SNA currently has 85 corporate members. Two sponsors have notified SNA that they will not be renewing this year. All remaining invoices for 2013 have been sent out by Administrative Staff. *Action Item: Julie Howard and CAPT Mike Davis will research SAIC membership as company has recently split into 2 separate entities.*

**SECRETARY REPORT**

CAPT Dave Lee reviewed the timeline for the upcoming Board of Directors election. The ballot was made available online starting November 1 and voting will remain open until November 30. Have almost met required vote quota within first 6 days of voting.

**TREASURER REPORT**

CAPT Bill Erickson reviewed the current finance report including account balances, chapter disbursements and investments as of November 5. Reviewed chapter disbursements by chapter. Chapters are encouraged to send fund requests to National if funds required. Annually SNA averages approximately 100K in chapter support.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

No Report

## **SYMPOSIUM REPORT**

RADM Dave Hart reviewed Symposium schedule and speaker invites/acceptances to date. Admiral Hart is scheduled to meet with Commodore Richard Allen next week to discuss format for International Navies luncheon. VADM Doug Katz has done a great job in organizing the Pacific panel presentation. Continuing to work with ADM Jim Stavridis to speak at the Banquet.

SNA has been notified that SURFOR is planning to host the 2014 SWOFOTS in DC the week of the SNA Symposium. The event will be held at the Pentagon with a reception at the Hyatt on Monday evening of Symposium week. Registration is scheduled to open mid-November and an email will be sent to the SNA membership with details. Admiral Hart will be contacting EXCOM and Board members to volunteer as speaker escorts. Captain Erickson announced that SNA will be videotaping the presentations at event. CAPT Paul Rinn recommended that some advance questions for presenters be prepared to be used as needed. *Action Item: Captain Erickson will contact CAPT Dave Welch on the status of the NAVADMIN approval.*

## **AWARD REPORT**

CAPT Paul Rinn provided update on award nominations:

- *Literary Award* - 12 Nominations received
- *ADM Zumwalt Visionary Leadership Award* - approximately 45 nominations received with an additional 5 in process. The selection committee will be chaired by RDML T. J. Wilson.
- *ADM Arleigh Burke Operation Award* - approximately 24 nominations received
- *Heritage Lecture/Historical Remembrance* - Dean Mosher accepts as Presenter
- *Special Recognition* - Letters have been signed and will be mailed this week
- *CAPT Ray Komorowski Photo Award* - over 300 entries received which is well above the 98 received the first year

## **SCHOLARSHIP REPORT**

CAPT Bill Erickson reviewed scholarship account finances. Invoices in process for BAE Systems and Potomac Advocates.

## **MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

RADM Rob Reilly reviewed the October membership statistics including the trend slides. SNA membership numbers have slightly declined which is common this time of year. Numbers tend to increase with the opening of Symposium registration. Admiral Reilly reported that we did drop a large number of Coast Guard promotional memberships.

Chapter Excellence information has been sent to all chapters. Deadline for award nominations is November 15.

## **PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT**

The christening of the USS ZUMWALT was postponed due to the government shutdown.

CAPT Bill Erickson reported that next issue of SITREP has been emailed to members requesting electronic delivery. The hardcopy version is in final stages of printing and is expected to mail within the next week.

## **SPECIAL PROJECTS**

No Report

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Proposed date for next EXCOM is December 11.

Meeting adjourned at 1745.