

IN ATTENDANCE

VADM Barry McCullough, USN (Ret)
LCDR Jeff Benson, USN, (*via phone*)
CAPT Bill Campbell, USN (Ret)
RADM Dennis Conley, USN (Ret),(*via phone*)
VADM Bill Earner, USN (Ret)
RDML Mike Frick, USN (Ret)
VADM Hank Giffin, USN (Ret), (*via phone*)
RADM Dave Glenn, USCG (Ret)
VADM Kevin Green, USN (Ret)
RADM Dave Hart, USN (Ret)
CAPT Ron Jenkins, USN (Ret),(*via phone*)
VADM Doug Katz, USN (Ret)
CAPT Jon Kreitz, USN

VADM Tim LaFleur, USN (Ret), (*via phone*)
CAPT Dave Lee, USN (Ret)
CAPT Ned Lundquist, USN (Ret)
Charlie McCullough
RADM Rob Reilly, USN (Ret), (*via phone*)
CAPT Mark Sedlacek, USN (Ret)
CAPT Matt Sharpe, USN (Ret), (*via phone*)
CAPT Troy Stoner, USN (Ret)
CAPT Jim Tackett, USN (Ret)
CAPT Bill Erickson, USN (Ret)
Julie Howard
Debbie Garry

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The meeting was called to order by the President, VADM Barry McCullough at 1701.

The minutes from the July 31, 2014 EXCOM meeting were approved with no changes.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

The minutes from the January 2014 Board of Directors meeting including action items are posted on the Board of Directors website. Need to review prior to the January 2015 meeting.

The 2014 West Coast Symposium was held August 21 in San Diego and the San Diego Chapter Golf Tournament was held on August 22. There was a profit but less than 2013 event. SNA picked up a couple of new corporate sponsors from the event and that income does not show on the WCS finance report. Attendee, including active duty, feedback was positive.

The tax return was filed on August 6 well before the deadline date of August 15, 2014

Registration for the National Symposium will open on November 15. Debbie Garry reminded EXCOM members that they need to use the Board/EXCOM/Chapter President link sent to them to submit their registrations as it includes extra events and special pricing not available on the main registration pages. Bill Erickson noted that the deadline for Old Tar dates is November 15 and we will have an Old Salt turnover sometime in 2015 after the Symposium.

SYMPOSIUM REPORT

RADM Dave Hart reviewed the 2015 Symposium agenda and changes since last meeting were discussed. The approved theme for 2015 is "*Surface Warfare: Distributed Lethality - Going on the Offensive.*"

CORPORATE MEMBERS REPORT

SNA currently has 89 corporate members. An update of invoices paid to date was presented. Two new sponsors have rejoined SNA since the July meeting. One sponsor has dropped. A large number of corporate sponsors renew by end of December in order to qualify for Symposium invitations and exhibit pricing. At this time, there is little concern SNA should meet corporate income budgeted.

SECRETARY REPORT

CAPT Dave Lee reviewed the timeline for the upcoming Board of Directors election. The election will run from November 7 – December 7, 2014. Received 22 nominations. The online ballot was presented for review and was approved by the EXCOM. *Action Item: Administrative Staff will send email to voting SNA members to vote online.*

TREASURER REPORT

CAPT Jim Tackett reviewed the current finance report including account balances, chapter disbursements and investments. 2014 Symposium income is less than budgeted. Chapter disbursements should be close to budget.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

VADM Bill Earner reported that investments are doing are in good shape as markets have performed well this year up to this month. As previously approved by EXCOM, finances will be reviewed at the end of the year to determine how much will be maintained in the investment accounts and if any funds will be transferred to scholarship or other accounts.

AWARD REPORT

CAPT Bill Erickson presented the 5 names selected as Hall of Fame awardees by the Awards Committee. Bios were presented and EXCOM approved the full list.

Deadline dates for SNA awards was reviewed:

- Arleigh Burke Operational Award (Deadline extended to Nov 15)
- Admiral Zumwalt Visionary Leadership Award (Deadline Dec 1)
- Literary Award (Nov 1)
- Photo Award (Nov 1)

The 2015 Heritage Night theme is the Battle of Lake Champlain. David Skaggs, Professor Emeritus of History at Bowling Green State University, has been invited to be the speaker.

SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

CAPT Bill Erickson reported that the projected amount of funds remaining in the scholarship account at end of this year will be over \$100K.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

RADM Rob Reilly reviewed the October membership statistics including the trend slides. Trending slightly downward in active duty paid members but moving upwards in the other paid member category. Promotional numbers have increased due to recent new member and CPO selectee promotions. Some member losses have appeared in some chapters such as Charleston, San Diego and Hampton Roads. Traditionally there is an increase in paid members in the last quarter due to Symposium registration.

PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT

CAPT Ned Lundquist reported that the 3rd quarter SITREP is in final stages for mailing. Reviewed the content and provided an overview of possible articles for current and next issues. An interview with VADM Tom Rowden is planned for next issues. Request any questions to be asked be emailed to Ned Lundquist prior to November 19 interview.

Presented proposed bylaw change to rename committee. EXCOM approves the proposal to be added to the 2015 Board of Directors meeting agenda. *Action Item: CAPT Bill Erickson will add this to the National board meeting agenda to change in bylaws.*

SPECIAL PROJECTS

Special Project requests will be briefed at the December EXCOM meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business. Next meeting tentatively held December 16, 17 or 18. If necessary, awardee lists will be sent to EXCOM for an electronic approval prior to next EXCOM in order to expedite travel arrangements for January Symposium.

Meeting adjourned at 1752.