

IN ATTENDANCE

VADM Barry McCullough, (Ret) (*President*)
CAPT David Lee, (Ret) (*Secretary*)
CAPT Jim Tackett, USN (Ret) (*Treasurer*)
VADM Terry Blake, USN (Ret)
OSC David Brakebill, (USN) (*phone*)
RADM Dennis Conley, USN (Ret)
VADM Bill Earner, USN (Ret)
RDML Mike Frick, USN (Ret)
RADM Dave Glenn, USCG (Ret)
RADM Vic Guillory, USN (Ret) (*phone*)

RADM Dave Hart, USN (Ret)
CAPT Jon Kreitz, USN
CAPT Ned Lundquist, USN (Ret)
VADM Carol Pottenger, USN (Ret) (*via phone*)
RADM Rob Reilly, USN (Ret) (*via phone*)
CAPT Troy Stoner, USN
CAPT William J. Erickson, (Ret) (*Executive Director*)
Ms Julie Howard

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The meeting was called to order by the President, VADM Barry McCullough at 1700.

The minutes from the last EXCOM meeting were approved.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

The only action item to discuss is a phone call from CAPT Brian Perkins, USCG (Ret) of the Cuttermen's Association. This Association was formed in 2011 and has over 600 members. He wanted to discuss 2 items. The first was that they want to hold their Annual Meeting during our SNA Symposium in January. We have made a room available. The other item was the suggestion that we absorb the Association as a Cuttermen Chapter of SNA. This has been approved by their BOD already and has been discussed with SNA Staff. The proposal is that we set up the Cuttermen Chapter with a completely new EIN number under the SNA umbrella. Once this was all established they would go through the mechanism of dissolving their Association and any remaining funding will be used as seed money for the new Chapter. We would absorb their members and once they come up for renewal they will be invoiced and pay dues as any other SNA member would. They do have both an Awards and a Scholarship Program which would be absorbed into SNA. The intent is to roll this out at the Symposium in January. It was decided that we obtain more information on their membership, programs, etc. and present a detailed plan at the next meeting.

AI: Obtain more information to present to ExCom at the December meeting

CORPORATE MEMBERS REPORT

We have had a couple of drops at the lower membership levels. Sikorsky is up for renewal later this year. Merger with Lockheed Martin which happens later this year could impact the renewal. It is hoped that they will stay on as a division of Lockheed Martin.

TREASURER REPORT

We are still in black; however, slightly off budget on corporate dues for income. On the expense side we are a little over on our travel; also a little over on our conference expenses but bottom line is favorable. Looking at the Chapters breakdowns there hasn't been much activity since last meeting. One extraordinary item is that the West Coast Symposium realized a \$3,200 profit that came back to National.

FINANCE REPORT

Still a rocky period for the market. However, no change in investment strategy is warranted.

SECRETARY REPORT

We are in the process of putting together the BOD ballot. Please see slides for details. We received 31 validated nominations for 9 slots. We have all the month of November to vote and we need to receive at least 10% of members eligible to vote to make a valid election.

SYMPOSIUM REPORT

We are about 95% set regarding speakers. There are a couple who are too new yet to give us an answer. We have the 3 SWO 4 stars sequentially on Wednesday. Have been able to add ADM Papp to discuss Arctic Committee which is a new topic. The last item on the agenda that day is CAPT Nygard's suggestion that we discuss the credentialing of SWOS to go in to the Maritime Arena when they leave active duty. Apparently this is a hiring market but is not an easy accomplishment currently based on present procedures.

AWARD REPORT

The Heritage Night topic is: *Market Time Operations of Vietnam* as it is the 50th Anniversary. We are looking for speakers. It was suggested that we should recognize VADM David Robinson at this event. Special Recognition was proposed for three individuals in addition to CAPT Paul Rinn who has been previously approved. The subject of recognizing contractors, while they do outstanding work, was discussed. We need to make sure we aren't setting a precedent by recognizing individuals in the course of what could be considered "normal business of the job." After much discussion it was determined that this would be tabled until the next meeting in order for CAPT Dave Adler, USN (Ret) the Chairman of the Awards Committee to present more details. For the Hall of Fame there are 6 (See slide). With no discussion a motion was made to accept the list as proposed and it carried unanimously.

SCHOLARSHIP REPORT

We have received over \$12,000 from individuals this year which is the most ever.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Bottom line: as we go into final quarter of calendar year our membership numbers are fairly steady in each membership group.

It was determined that the Record Review Mentoring Program would be put on hold for right now. Since taking over at PERS41, CAPT Brad Cooper has embarked on a dynamic program that might affect how we handle this. Chapter Excellence submissions have been solicited from each chapter.

PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT

The most recent issue of the *Surface Sitrep* has just gone to the printer. Of note is an interview with Jim Gallagher, one of our recent Hall of Fame inductees. In the upcoming issue we will interview RDML Stephen Evans at Great Lakes. We also have a meeting in early November about a Maritime Security Conference that we might be able to partner with next spring in Hampton Roads.

SPECIAL PROJECTS

The Hall of Fame in Newport will get our backup set of pictures and the new monitor as proposed.

NEW BUSINESS

Next Meeting will be sometime the first week of December 2015. No further discussion meeting adjourned at 1800.