

## **IN ATTENDANCE**

VADM Barry McCullough, USN (Ret)  
CAPT Matt Bonner, USN  
RADM Dennis Conley, USN (Ret)  
RADM Vic Guillory, USN (Ret), *(via phone)*  
RDML Mike Frick, US (Ret), *(via phone)*  
VADM Kevin Green, USN (Ret)  
RADM Vic Guillory, USN (Ret), *(via phone)*  
VADM Lee Gunn, USN (Ret)  
RADM Sinclair Harris, USN (Ret)  
RADM Dave Hart, USN (Ret)  
RADM Jeff Hathaway, USCG (Ret)  
CAPT Ron Jenkins, USN (Ret), *(via phone)*

VADM Doug Katz, USN (Ret)  
VADM Tim LaFleur, USN (Ret), *(via phone)*  
CAPT Dave Lee, USN (Ret)  
CAPT Ned Lundquist, USN (Ret)  
RADM Rob Reilly, USN (Ret)  
Mr. Thad Smith, *(via phone)*  
CAPT Troy Stoner, USN (Ret)  
CAPT Jim Tackett, USN (Ret)  
CAPT Bill Erickson, USN (Ret)  
Julie Howard, *(via phone)*  
Debbie Garry, *(via phone)*  
Marianne Catina

## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

VADM Barry McCullough called the meeting to order at 1703.

The minutes from the June 15, 2017 EXCOM meeting were approved with no changes.

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**

The 2017 West Coast Symposium was held in San Diego on July 13. There was a record attendance of 574 with 295 of that being active duty attendees. Final finance report for the symposium is pending but due to higher costs this year, it appears that the event will be in the red. Other events held that week in San Diego were the SWOFOTS on July 11-12, the Retired Flag Officer Conference on July 10, the SNA Transition Seminar on July 15 and the SNA San Diego chapter golf tournament on July 14, which was sold out.

## **SPECIAL PROJECTS**

Admiral McCullough reported that SNA received a funding request for \$30K from the World War II Foundation, a 501(c) 3 organization, to support the video project, "Journey Home to the USS Arizona." The 57-minute video, which is in final production stage, will document the 5000-mile journey of recently deceased MCPO Raymond Haerry, USN (Ret) from his home to the USS Arizona for interment. The sponsorship would include a 12-second SNA promotional video at the beginning and end of the video as well as the SNA logo appearing on the cover of the DVD. The video will be distributed to over 120 PBS stations and will be shown at the official premiere on December 3 on Ford Island. Captain Erickson explained that SNA has sponsored a video similar to this in 2011 for the Civil War and it does fit into the SNA charter and By Laws. Action Item: CAPT Matt Bonner will search for a more current photo of a Navy ship and Coast Guard cutter for the SNA video. EXCOM approved funding.

## **CORPORATE MEMBERS REPORT**

Captain Bill Erickson reported that SNA currently has 87 corporate members. Three sponsors were dropped since last meeting but could renew in order to take advantage of 2018 Symposium rates and invitations. Reviewed 2017 budgeted income, revenue to date and outstanding Invoices and on track to meet budget.

## **SECRETARY REPORT**

Captain Dave Lee announced an email will be sent on September 1 to SNA members announcing a call for nominations for the next Board of Directors election. Nominations will be accepted up until September 30. Ballot preps will take place during the month of October and elections will be held the month of November. Reviewed expiring terms.

## **TREASURER REPORT**

Captain Jim Tackett presented the current finance report and reported that the SNA budget continues to remain on track as of this quarter. SNA transferred \$50K from the CAP account to the scholarship account. Reviewed chapter disbursements to date.

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Captain Erickson provided a current overview of SNA investments. SNA currently has more in our reserves than mandated. VADM Doug Katz has accepted the position as Chairman of Finance Committee.

## **SYMPOSIUM REPORT**

Admiral Dave Hart reviewed the timeline for the 2018 Symposium. The theme selected for 2018 is "Surface Forces and Cross-Domain Integration." Discussed invited and possible speakers for January. Captain Erickson announced that the conference approval process has been simplified and that the staff is working with our POC at OPNAV on the approval process. Anticipating an earlier approval this year.

## **SCHOLARSHIP REPORT**

VADM Lee Gunn reported that most scholarship checks have been mailed to recipients. Remaining checks are in process.

## **MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

Admiral Rob Reilly reviewed the July membership statistics including the trend slides. Numbers are remaining stable. Provided an update on the June 15 SNA Transition Seminar held in San Diego. Eleven active duty members participated in the 1-day seminar. To date six of the 11 attendees have contacted the speaker after participating in the event. SNA has been contacted about partnering with REBOOT Workshop out of San Diego, which offers programs helping veterans transfer from military to civilian life. REBOOT is going to submit a proposal to SNA on a potential partnership.

Reported that the Membership Committee has continued to work on updating the Chapter Excellence Award criteria. Presented the current program draft that has been developed by the committee. The draft has recently been sent to SNA chapters for their input. Chapter feedback will be incorporated and the final proposal will be brought back to the EXCOM for endorsement. The plan is to present at the 2018 National Board meeting.

## **AWARD REPORT**

Captain Erickson reported the Awards Committee will meet on August 27 and will discuss Heritage Night for the 30<sup>th</sup> Symposium. Requested that any nominations for Special Recognition or Hall of Fame be sent viaemail.

## **COMMUNICATIONS REPORT**

Captain Ned Lundquist provided an overview of stories to be included in the next issue of the SNA SITREP as well as stories for upcoming issues. The Communications Committee will work on a PR plan to promote the WWII video project. Also, will review ways to update the SITREP newsletter layout.

## **NEWBOARD MEMBER PROJECT UPDATE**

RADM Sinclair Harris presented some of the ideas from the new Board members that have come from their recent meetings. The group will continue to work on ideas to increase Enlisted membership/participation and website updates.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

The next EXCOM will be held September. Will look at September 14 as possible meeting date

Meeting adjourned at 1804.