

**Surface Navy Association
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING (Draft)
2 JANUARY 2018**

IN ATTENDANCE:

VADM Barry McCullough, USN (Ret) *President*
VADM Tim LaFleur, USN (Ret) *VP West Coast (phone)*
CAPT Jim Tackett, USN (Ret) *Treasurer*
CAPT Dave Adler, USN (Ret) *(phone)*
VADM Terry Blake, USN (Ret) *(phone)*
RADM Dennis Conley, USN (Ret)
RDML Michael Frick, USN (Ret) *(phone)*
VADM Kevin Green, USN (Ret)
VADM Lee Gunn, USN (Ret)
RADM David Hart, USN (Ret)
RADM Jeff Hathaway, USN (Ret)
VADM Douglas Katz, USN (Ret)
CAPT Ned Lundquist, USN (Ret)
VADM Carol Pottenger, USN (Ret) *(phone)*
RADM Robert Reilly, USN (Ret)
CAPT Paul Rinn, USN (Ret)
CAPT Troy Stoner, USN (Ret)
CAPT William Erickson, USN (Ret) *Executive Director*
Ms Julie Howard

Minutes

A motion was made to approve the minutes from the 6 December 2017 Executive Committee Meeting. It was passed unanimously.

Executive Director

Reviewed the minutes from 2017 SNA BOD Meeting, the agendas for 2018 and attendees for the BOD meeting next week.

Old Business

The New 2017 BOD Member Project Status will be provided at 2018 SNA BOD meeting; most of the other action items have been closed.

Corporate Report

We have 92 corporate members and income has exceeded budget by \$11,000.

Secretary Report

There is no election for the Chairman or President at the 2018 Board meeting next week.

Treasurer Report

We exceeded both income and expenses; however at the end of the day we were \$21,615.69 to the positive versus budget. We are financially in good shape and have the appropriate amount set aside as required by the Finance Committee.

A review of Chapter disbursements shows that we have provided close to \$100,000 to our chapters. This is the norm.

The budget for 2018 was reviewed. We took the conservative approach as we typically do. We have increased the proposed income slightly and we also increased expenditures. We need to plan for another contribution to the Scholarship and have budgeted \$25,000. A motions was made to accept the proposed budget and it passed.

Finance Committee

Our investment account has increased in value; had a good year in the market. Need to look at our investment portfolio in 2018.

Symposium

The agenda and watch bill were reviewed. There might be some changes to the order of speakers on the sessions on Tuesday. Since the last Executive Committee we added Congressman Wittman to the schedule.

Scholarship

This will be addressed in the March meeting.

Membership

We ended a little higher than at the end of 2016. In summary we are holding steady. The numbers and trends were reviewed. Many of the increases in our Enlisted members are from the Charleston Chapter. It will be interesting to see the transition rate. We are still getting traction on our Coast Guard merger.

Reviewed the data that will be presented at the BOD meeting. Still maintaining numbers and diversity. We still see participation by membership at the chapter level.

Chapter Excellence Award. This is the last year with this format. We had 7 submissions and have selected 5 chapters. Large Hampton Roads, San Diego, and Small Charleston, Monterey, and Newport. Motion made to support additional chapter excellence awards. Motion carried unanimously.

Awards Committee

Proposed that we give the Honorable Mention of the Literary Award \$500 instead of a certificate. This would be a policy change for future. Motion made to accept the change that winner gets \$1,000 and Honorable Mention \$500. Motion carried unanimously.

Communications Committee

Represented SNA at the Journey Home Screenings. Also got to meet Stratton and the family of Joe George. At the event announced that SNA was doing the NJROTC essay competition. Reviewed some of the upcoming articles for future SITREP.

Special Projects

The Journey Home premier was in Newport, Rhode Islands with additional showings at Pearl Harbor. There have been some articles and has been distributed to 125 PBS stations. We have it online to the NJROTC for the Essay Competition.

There is a need for funding of renovation of the boat ramp. This might be something that perhaps the Pearl Harbor Chapter could support.

Action Item: Executive Director to talk to National Park Service, Martinez, and Chapter to see if SNA can play a role for this to gain visibility.

Proposal to sponsor the next 2018 video on 2018 SNA Hall of Fame Inductee, Joe George. The movie would be ***Lifeline: Pearl Harbor's Unknown Hero***. This would be produced by WWII Foundation.

Proposal would be to allocate \$30,000 from 2018 corpus to sponsor the video. Motion was made to fund this project and it carried unanimously. The premier is being planned for the Navy Memorial in the Fall here in Washington. We would get the GWC chapter to look at organizing the premier. Financially the expenditure is fine.

The meeting then went into Executive Session.

Post Executive Session

Upon conclusion of the Executive Session, the President asked "what are the plans to deal with the Executive Director's eventual retirement?" Admiral Kevin Green, SNA Past President, volunteered to research this. Also volunteering were the SNA Treasurer Jim Tackett and Finance Committee Chairman Admiral Bill Landay. The President then requested that Captain Dave Lee, SNA Secretary, and Captain Paul Rinn, SNA Executive Committee member, be included as part of the group.