

Executive Board Meeting USSVICB minutes.

Thursday 2 February 2012 FRA Low Country Home

Nine board members in attendance, Carl Chin, Marty Sessler, John Lookabill, Rick Sparger, Terry Trump, Theron Irving, George Sharpe, Ken Hutchinson, and Nick Nichols. Larry Starland, Lee Allison and Rodger Gibson (guests).

1800 – Meeting called to order by BC Carl Chin

Terry's comments on Bushy Park Rec Area were discussed about alcoholic beverages. Hard Liquor not allowed only beer and wine. Clean up of area discussed. Ice machine discussed during last meeting was turned down by Park personnel; will be re-discussed at a later date when Park Personnel get to know us better. Rick will bring his golf cart for shuttle service for people needing it. Terry is getting ready to file National Treasurer Report.

Theron's Comments: None

Marty's Comments Reports that repairs have been made to float. Tail lights have been replaced. Paint touch-up. Marty will buy tarp at a later date.

George's comments: Still has not purchased items for Historical item storage.

Larry's comments: Suggested have events with a purpose. I.e. for charity purposes.

John's comments: Holland Club paperwork received 14 personnel in all. Contacted John Lister. Mr. Lister will call back at a later date. Rocker arms (55 years, 60 years, etc.) are available for Holland Club patch. Ordering criteria will be discussed at general meeting. Larry mentioned Channel 5 news lady for Holland Club PR. Membership longevity pins were discussed. Eligibility by National standards were discussed.

Nick Comments: Page 2 emergency data sheets were discussed. Push to get everyone to submit one by board members. Personnel on sick list were identified. Webmaster wants suggestions to improve/update Base website.

COB Comments: Volunteer work discussed for Patriots Point discussed. Charcoal grill will not be necessary at Bushy Park/ site has them. Suggested that table and chairs be brought from storage shed for food set up, etc., site has picnic tables. Bud Knight's Barn is still being discussed as a possible Christmas Party site. Oyster Roast has been moved to following Saturday. 25 Feb. Base supply of Submarine plaques still open for discussion. Sending plaques to Little Rock seems to be best bet.

Rodger's comments: Sy Mabe's family has approached Sub Vet WWII along with Charleston Base personnel to attend a new Flag dedication located on family property in Bowman, SC, exit 159, I26 on 14 April with a rain date of 21 April. Head count will be required. A barbeque will be done after ceremony. Suggested that members attending donate \$5.00 each to help defray cost. How Ceremony will be conducted was discussed. i.e. How flag will be raised, Speakers. Member participation (Sub Vet WW II). No alcohol at ceremony.

Lee's comments: Amberjack Memorial in March discussed. 17 March was suggested by Lee, but St Patty's Day parade will conflict. Memorial will be on the 24th of March.

Base Commander's Comments: Huntley Memorial will not be participated in this year due to lateness of invitation. Plaque for Ed Young will be taken to his place of business. Hill Tire will possibly be here next general meeting to be awarded their plaque. St Patty's Day is all set according to COB. Brit Visit will be the 14th to the 21st. Due to changing of Oyster Roast, Suggest informal meeting with Brits on the 18th at the FRA club. Lamp Swinging Time 1800.

Suggestion made to give the Brits a Base plaque.

By laws: Suggested changes: Voting procedures changes, Base Commander be compensated for attending Regional conference. Suggested by-law review committee: Base Commander/Vice Commander, Holland Club Chairman and the Chaplin.

Ken suggested we take the float to Mobil, wear and tear on float, tow truck was discussed. 1200 miles deemed to far.

Inputs for Distinguished Submariner discussed. To be awarded in March.

FRA is having an auction for Honor Flight Guardians.

Motion was made to give float tow driver .60 cents a mile compensation. Motion carried

Terry stated that the audit was a great success.

Meeting adjourned at 1930.