

USSVI – Charleston Base Executive Board Minutes November 7, 2013

Meeting called to order at 1800 by Base Commander Ed Stank. Attending were Board of Director members Ed Stank, Walt Deal, Nick Nichols, Steve Morawiec, Ken Hutchison, Rick Wise, George Scharf, Jerry Stout, Don Mook, Ken Curtis, Rick Sparger and Mike Knaub. Base member Butch Bryar also attended.

Base Commander Ed Stank welcomed everyone to the meeting and turned it over to Vice-Commander/Special Events Coordinator Jerry Stout to talk about the Veteran's Day Ceremony.

Jerry reported that everything was set up for the service. The speaker will be Charleston Base member Rusty Pickett CAPT, USN (ret.); the wreath bearers will be Jerry Farr and Roger Gibson. Base Chaplain Nick Nichols will handle the invocation and benediction. Charleston Base members should be there by 1015. The uniform is the base vest uniform.

Nick Nichols discussed the status of Ben McDonald and Charlie Rook. He also started a discussion on the contentiousness of recent meetings.

Membership Chairman Don Mook gave an update on the status of base membership. There is a problem with having base dues collected starting in October but National dues not required until January. National requires new members joining in the last quarter of the year to pay an additional \$5 (\$25 instead of the normal \$20) to cover the final quarter. We need to change the application form to include the \$5 charge. There are 7 members who joined since October who need to pay the additional \$5. A motion was made by Steve Morawiec for Charleston Base to pay the \$35 owed to National. The motion was seconded and passed on a voice vote.

Walt Deal reported that he still has not heard back from the Children's Crisis organization as a venue for Kaps 4 Kids.

Mike Knaub reported that he will have an article to send off after the Veteran's Day Ceremony Monday.

Rick Wise had a handout on Parliamentary Procedures for Meetings.

Steve Morawiec reported that we had made a profit on the Butt Roast and we received a refund for the storage area after we moved out. He had transferred the base accounting system to a double entry system which is more useful than the single entry system that had been used.

He also reported that he only has about 30 tickets left for the Christmas Party. Chief of the Boat Rick Sparger asked who should send out the notice of the Board of Directors Meetings. The Base Commander directed the Base Secretary to send out the notices. Rick said he will not put anything out with a political nature from the COB's e-mail. Ed Stank said that because of the non-profit status of USSVI, nothing of a political nature should be sent out from a @ussvcb.org address. Use your personal e-mail address.

Ed Stank thanked the membership for all the help in moving out of the storage area onto the base. A map will be posted on the website with the location and instructions on who to contact to get something out of the base storage area. It will not be as convenient but will save the base about \$1200 a year.

George Scharf and Butch Bryar gave an update on the status of the Save the Clamagore effort.

Ed Stank and Steve Morawiec emphasized that we needed to get input from those attending the Christmas Party their desire for the entrée, either prime rib or turkey.

Don Mook asked if we could get a standardized way to toll the boats. A proposal will be made based on the tolling done with the Amberjack Service.

The meeting was adjourned at 1856.