

## USSVI – Charleston Base Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

May 28, 2015

Meeting called to order at 1758 by Base Commander Rick Wise. Attending were Board of Directors members Ed Stank, Rick Sparger, Mike Ciesielko, George Fuchs, Butch Bryar, Dan Hunt, Mike Welch, Ron Chambers and Ken Hutchison.

Base Commander Rick Wise welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Ed Stank Membership Chairman reported that we have 330 members. We have three members under 50 years of age. This is a record for our Base.

Ed went to Victory House last Month and talked to BJ Tackett they have a Subvets out there and Ed recommended a picnic out there on the 16<sup>th</sup> of June at 12 pm.

Ken Hutchison made a motion that we allocate \$250.00 from the Contingency fund for the Victory House picnic. Rick Sparger seconded the motion. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Ed recommended a working party to strip and paint the deck on the Float. It will be at Charlie Hudsons place on Wed 3 June. The Secretary will send an email.

Rick voiced his complaints about not getting emails. He was placed on one of the Charleston Base mailing groups.

Ron recommended we have volunteers sell the challenge coins. Ed volunteered.

The COB (Ken) stated that the Storage locker is missing equipment. The combination was given out to too many people. The locker will be inventoried and the combination changed.

Cob informed us that Scholarship is this month George Scharf and Gary Williams will be presenting the awards. The WWII Vets meeting is on the 18<sup>th</sup>.

George Fuchs (newsletter) is getting the new Base officers straightened out.

Base Treasurer Mike Welch reported on the status of Charleston Base funds.

Dan hunt gave argument about mailing the Newsletter to subvets members who don't have email. This was voted on as only WWII Members would receive these by mail. Base commander recommended he bring this up with members at the July meeting.

Nick Nichols Retired today Congratulations.

Base Commander asked all board members to say there is nothing to report if they have no report and send it to the secretary before the meeting so we can omit that section to streamline the meeting and minutes. If you have something to report send it as well so the secretary so we can make taking the minutes easier and accurate.

Ed suggested the 5k run to generate revenue and interest from the younger submariners. This would help with recruiting younger members. Proceeds would go to Scholarship fund.

We have 2 vacant positions that need to be filled Special events Coordinator and Rec Committee.

Rick Wise talked with Mike Emerson about his great grandson Donavan Gordon. We will have a presentation for him at the August meeting.

Vice Commander discussed the Holiday Inn Military appreciation event. A flyer was sent to Board members and the Secretary will email to all base members.

The meeting was adjourned at 1843.