

USSVI – Charleston Base Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

November 2nd, 2015

Meeting called to order at 1756 by Base Commander Rick Wise. Attending were Board of Director members Rick Wise, Rick Sparger, Mike Ciesielko, Ken Hutchison, Mike Welch, Ken Curtis, Bill Freligh, Ron Chambers, George Scharf, George Fuchs, Nick Nichols, Butch Bryar, Al Dempster and Ray Sparks.

Base Commander Rick Wise welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Nick Gave the following report:

Webmaster:

Now have 4 advertisers. At the request of a couple of them, advertisers were placed in the newsletter before publishing to the web.

There was a problem with the link to the Sailing List but it is now fixed.

Chaplain:

Ray Bryant has been moved to room 346 but doesn't know when he might be able to go home.

He is tired but more than anything he would like someone to talk to. If you can find time please try to get by to see him.

Terry Sickle is having nose surgery to correct a deviated septum on Wed. at St Francis. Mary will let me know how he's doing after surgery.

Bill Hall - home - had surgery to remove a tumor on his brain. He is in recovery so that he can have another surgery. No visitors or phone calls until further notice please.

Dot Campbell had some internal bleeding but is home now; requests no visits or phone calls until further notice. She has to go back to the doctors this week for more tests.

Marvin Miller is home and recovering after his fall and stay in rehab.

Rich Alfano is home recovering from pneumonia. He let me know he is doing much better now.

Steve Kellar's wife Sue has begun having seizures again. She's now on medication that is helping with it.

Eternal Patrol: John Clarkin, WWII vet living in PA EP Oct. 21st. Also a member of Requin Base.

Ed reported that we currently have 59 members owing national dues and 75 who owe base dues. 331 total base members.

Butch Bryar commented that PCO's came from Pensacola and did a scrubdown and relamp of the boat.

Butch has heard rumors that the Governor wants to have a sit down with Crama sometime around the first of the year. The Boat is not going anywhere.

George Fuchs expressed concern that inputs to the newsletter need to be given to him as soon as possible.

Al Dempster gave us a status on the sale of the Christmas party Tickets.

COB reported about the Stratford Veterans Memorial celebration concert.

The tolling of the Boats will be on Veterans day 1300 at Coffee roasters in Summerville. The float will be there.

The Cob discussed Victory house gifts and Ed has said he will pick up all donations anywhere anyone has them.

Ed is going to the Victory House the Tuesday after the Christmas Party 8 Dec 2015

Mike Ciesielko had nothing to Report.

Mike Welch Gave his Financial report.

Ron Chambers had no report.

Vice Commander Rick Sparger discussed the Parades. We are pulling the float in the Ellore Parade. Ed and Rick Sparger will walk alongside the float to throw candy for the kids.

The tolling of the Boats is at the Coffee Roasters in Summerville. This is for the Public and all boats will be tolled on Veterans day.

Rick has two ways to do scholarship fund raisers. Selling Calenders and selling Pecans.

Rick put out an email about Fred Woodyly needing help to move.

Rick Wise and members attended the Nuclear Power School Graduation ceremony and they talked about Charleston Base Subvets presenting an award to graduates. He asked for a motion for this endeavor.

Ray Sparks made a motion that we present to the Submarine designation top scorer in the enlisted and officer class at each Nuclear power class graduation a presentation of a letter of congratulations to the future Submariner and present them with a challenge coin. Rick Sparger seconded. There is a graduation every eight weeks.

The Motion passed the board with a yea vote.

Rick Wise made a motion to make Bob Temple an Honorary SUBVETS member. The motion passed on a voice vote.

The COB is in charge of maintenance of equipment. A working party will be formed in the spring to organize the storage area.

Ed will have to step down from the membership coordinator position. He will have to divulge all his efforts in his District Commander position.

Rick Wise is still searching for a Public affairs officer.

Butch Bryar made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Ken Hutchison seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 1853.