

MINUTES
OCTOBER HRANA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

3 October 2012

1. The meeting was called to order at 1805 by HRANA Commanding Officer, Jim Joyner at the NAS Oceana Officer's Club. Board members present were Kent Von Fecht, Fred Metz, Judy Ready, Jim Dobberteen, Doug Williams, Maury Unger and Troy Snead. Board members John Allen, Rob Wedertz, Troy Snead, Carroll Bains and Brian Abbott were absent.
2. Secretary's Report: Motion was made and seconded that the September board minutes be approved as written. Minutes are available on the HRANA web site.
3. Treasurer's Report: Jim Dobberteen presented a Statement of Financial Position as of September 30, 2012. Squadron financial reports are available to members for viewing upon request.
4. Membership Report: Doug Williams provided a Membership Summary as of September 2012. The squadron currently lists 45 Charter Members, 232 Life Members, 311 Regular Annual Members, 3 Husband and Wife Joint Memberships, 1 Organizational Membership and 8 Corporate Members for a total of 601 active members. Seven new members joined the squadron during September 2012.
5. Plans and Programs:
 - a. Squadron social events for 2012 are as follows:
 - (1) November – Flight Suit Social – LSO School – Friday 9 November. Catering will be by Lendy's. Flyer is out.
 - (2) December – Christmas Party – 14 December at the Princess Anne Country Club. The Beachnuts will provide music. HRANA will pay for the band. . Flyer will be out in early November.
6. October Luncheon: Wednesday 17 October at the Dam Neck Annex Shifting Sands Club. Speaker Captain Paul "Puck" Esposito, Commodore, COMHELSEACOMBATWINGLANT who will update the squadron on the helicopter community.
 - . The November luncheon will be held the second Wednesday vice third to accommodate the speaker's schedule and to keep from having the luncheon on the day before Thanksgiving.

As per normal policy, there will not be a luncheon in December.

7. PAO Report: Troy reported that he is submitting Wings of Gold articles on the September luncheon and the NAS Oceana POW/MIA Ceremony.
8. Monument Report: The Memorandum of Agreement between HRANA and the city will be signed. Fred reported that the service flags are due for replacement and will be taken down until the spring. The Eli and WWII statues need cleaning.
9. Old Business:
 - a. ANA Symposium: Fred Metz, John Allen, Fred Lewis and Jim Joyner will meet on Monday 8 October to develop a plan for the symposium. Committees will be required to perform various functions. ANA will sponsor the symposium with HRANA hosting. Additional support will be sought from Navy League and Tailhook. The venue has not been selected.
 - b. 2012 Air Show Chalet: Kent provided a report based on information provided by Bobbi Lefavor. Industry support is not expected to be good in 2013. A discussion was held concerning possible actions that can be taken to offset the lack of industry support. The board decided that beginning in 2013, everyone including members will be asked to make a contribution when entering the chalet. In addition, those members expecting to invite guests will be required to notify HRANA in order to maintain a list of eligible people. This will only apply if the member does not plan to accompany the guests. A method to notify all members of these changes will be required.
 - c. Congressman Rigell Visit: Fred and Lurch briefly discussed the visit and stated the need for regular future visits...
 - d. Wings of Gold Letter: The letter has been sent and will appear in the next issue. The letter comments on current ANA priorities and their efforts to recruit more members.
 - e. Historical Air Park Aircraft Identification Plaques: Kent reported that this project is on hold until NASO can identify funding. Fred pointed out that we could use the write-ups used on the plaques at the Naval Air Museum in Pensacola.
 - f. Blue Blaster Reunion: The VFA-34 CO still plans to hold this event. When additional information is received it will be promulgated to the squadron.

10. New Business:

- a. Board Membership: CDR. Matt "Potzo" Pothier has replaced Weeds as the active duty representative. Lurch expressed his desire to be relieved in the near future. Jim Dobberteen pointed out that an election is due.
- b. Blue Angel Posters: Marshall Lefavor presented a plan to provide special Blue Angel posters for the NAS Operations waiting room and the NASO CO. These posters will have inscriptions stating that HRANA provided them. The board approved the purchase of the posters.
- c. VFW Letters: Lurch signed letters of appreciation for VFW Post 392 Key members who assisted with the Pig Picking.

11. C.O./X.O. Comments: None.

12. Hot Wash Up...Kent commented on the good turnout of HRANA members for the funeral services for Captain Louis Colbus.

13. Next Meeting...Wednesday November 7, 2012, 1800 at the NASO Officer's Club.

14. The meeting adjourned at 1930