

MINUTES
HRANA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

7 March 2012

1. The meeting was called to order at 1810 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, Carroll Bains, Rob Wedertz, Brian Abbott, Troy Snead and John Allen. Also present were Doug Keller and Mike Gaughan from VFW Post 392.
2. Secretary's Report: Motion was made and seconded that the February board minutes be approved as written. Minutes are available on the HRANA web site.
3. Treasurer's Report: Jim Dobberteen presented the squadron Statement of Financial Position as of February 29, 2012. He also provided a corrected report for January 31, 2012 and a copy of the HRANA Proposed Budget for 2012. Squadron financial reports are available to members for viewing upon request.
4. Membership Report: Doug Williams presented the membership report current as of February 2012. The squadron currently lists 46 Charter Members, 233 Life Members, 307 Regular Annual Members, 3 Husband and Wife Joint Memberships, 1 Organizational Membership and 7 Corporate Members for a total of 598 active members. Eleven new members joined the squadron during February 2012.
5. Plans and Programs:
 - a. Squadron social events for 2012 are as follows.
 - (1) June – Midway Celebration – Date and venue to be determined, Lurch is waiting for word from AIRLANT to see if they have anything planned.
 - (2) August – Pig Picking – Judy has tentatively reserved the Shifting Sands Fireside Room for Friday 24 August. The meeting room at VFW Post 392 is also being considered. She will contact guitarist Tim Hopkins for musical entertainment.
 - (3) November – Flight Suit Social – Date and venue to be determined.
 - (4) December – Christmas Party – Date and venue to be determined.
6. March Luncheon: Wednesday March 21st, 1130 at the NAS Oceana Enlisted Dining Facility. The speaker will be RADM. Ted N. Branch, USN, Commander, Naval Air Force Atlantic.

7. PAO Report: Troy reported that AIRLANT will provide a photographer to cover the March luncheon. Pictures and a write up from the February luncheon will also be sent to Wings of Gold.
8. Monument Report: Fred reported that there is still a problem in the Memorandum of Understanding with the city concerning use of the monument site. Negotiations are under way for purchasing a new camera; Jerry Cox is handling this. The city has repaired all lighting in the area. The monument will be included on the walking tour planned by the city for this summer and the Naval Airpower Legacy presentation may be shown again this summer. There is a possible problem in that the city wants to show the Naval Airpower presentation one night a week and use the site for other presentations four nights a week. Fred is still trying to resolve some flagpole issues and he also stated that the flags will be put up about 1 May.

9. Old Business:

Golf Tournament – Friday April 27th. Flyers are out. Potential hole sponsors are being contacted. The board approved HRANA sponsorship of one hole.

10. New Business:

- a. HRANA Letter to Headquarters: The letter had been reviewed by board members and a lengthy discussion was held concerning what should be in the letter and who all should receive copies. Fred and Maury will finalize the letter. In addition to headquarters, copies will be sent to all other ANA Squadrons and ANA Board Members.
- b. MCAA McCutcheon Squadron Marine Aviation Memorial Tower – A discussion was held concerning HRANA making a donation to this project. No decision was reached.
- c. Little Creek Officer's Club Availability – Kent will meet with club manager Amy Hummel and Little Creek Assistant MWR Director Rick Cabral to discuss the feasibility of holding some future events at the facility.
- d. VFW Post 392 Homecoming Participation & Assistance – Doug Keller and Mike Gaughan from Post 392 offered assistance for future air wing homecomings. Their assistance included monetary help as well as participation in the events. Fred stated that their assistance with the enlisted homecomings would be greatly appreciated. The Post representatives also stated that National VFW might be interested in providing some financial assistance.
- e. 2012 Air Show Chalet Support Letters – Kent reported that the letters have been signed and mailed.

- f. Helicopter Wing Plaques – In the past HRANA has funded the plaques for annual helo awards. This practice was discussed and will probably be discontinued due to the apparent lack of interest of helicopter community members joining ANA and also because we now include the helo squadrons in the homecomings.

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

12. Hot Wash Up... None

13. Next Meeting...Wednesday April 4, 2012, 1800 at the NASO Officer's Club.

14. The meeting adjourned at 1950