

**MINUTES**  
**HRANA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**6 June 2012**

1. The meeting was called to order at 1808 by HRANA Commanding Officer, Jim Joyner at the NAS Oceana Officer's Club. Board members present were Kent Von Fecht, Fred Metz, Judy Ready, Carroll Bains, Maury Unger, Troy Snead and John Allen. Board members Rob Wedertz, Doug Williams, Jim Dobberteen and Brian Abbott were absent.
2. Secretary's Report: Motion was made and seconded that the May board minutes be approved as written. Minutes are available on the HRANA web site.
3. Treasurer's Report: Jim Dobberteen was unable to attend the meeting but had provided a squadron Statement of Financial Position as of May 31, 2012. Squadron financial reports are available to members for viewing upon request.
4. Membership Report: Doug Williams was unable to attend the meeting but had provided a Membership Summary as of May 2012. The squadron currently lists 45 Charter Members, 233 Life Members, 297 Regular Annual Members, 3 Husband and Wife Joint Memberships, 1 Organizational Membership and 8 Corporate Members for a total of 588 active members.
5. Plans and Programs:
  - a. Squadron social events for 2012 are as follows.
    - (1) August – Pig Picking – Friday 24 August, VFW Post 392. Malbon Brothers will provide the catering. The flyer with details will come out in July. Judy will cancel the reservation with Dam Neck.
    - (2) November – Flight Suit Social – Date and venue to be determined.
    - (3) December – Christmas Party – Tentative dates are 7 or 14 December. Judy Ready is checking with several different venues.
6. June Luncheon: Wednesday June 20th, 1130 at the Dam Neck Annex Shifting Sands Club, Fireside Room. Speaker will be RADM. Sean S. Buck, Commander, Patrol and Reconnaissance Group who will provide the status of his command and an update on the P-8 aircraft.
7. PAO Report: Troy commented that both channels 10 and 13 covered the Midway wreath laying ceremony on 28 May and that the Virginian Pilot would print an article on Thursday 7 June. CNAL USS GEORGE H.W. BUSH evening ceremony and the wreath laying articles will appear in Wings of Gold. The Jet Observer also

had an extensive article on the wreath laying. He has also forwarded pictures and a write up for the May luncheon.

8. Monument Report: Fred reported that the current Memorandum of Understanding with the city will be accepted as is. There will be no semi-permanent structure used for presentations this summer. A blow-up screen will be used instead. The actor for the Naval Airpower Legacy presentation has not been selected yet but HRANA wants a voice in the selection. The new camera has been installed but uses different software to interface with the link on the HRANA web Site. As soon as this problem is resolved, users will once again be able to click on the icon on the HRANA web site and view the monument. There are 15 spots remaining for thousand dollar plaques.
9. Old Business: 2012 Air Show Chalet Support Letters – Kent voiced concern for the number of supporters for this year and particularly in the outyears. In order to facilitate the request from one supporter, a W-9 tax form will be sent even though it does not seem to be the proper form. A set of proposed chalet attendance and operational rules was handed out to each board member with instructions to review and be prepared discuss at the July meeting.

- a. STRATUM Web Analysis – A meeting will be held in Jerry Cox’s conference room on Thursday June 7<sup>th</sup> at 1000.

10. New Business:

- a. VADM. Massenberg visit – The Admiral will visit on Monday 18 June but due to the limited amount of time he has in Hampton Roads, he will be unable to be a luncheon speaker. He will meet with board members in the LSO School conference room. Lurch will provide transportation for the Admiral and will ensure that he visits the monument. There will be an agenda-planning meeting for board members at the LSO School on Friday 15 June at 1300. The response letter will be used as a basis for proposed questions.
- b. Lurch, Fred and John Allen will meet with the new Air Boss, VADM Buss on Friday 15 June at 1000.
- c. Summer Bus Tours: Tours will begin Monday 18 June and run Monday thru Friday thru 31 August except on holidays. There will be no lunch option this year since the “O” Club will not be open. Kent will be in charge of the tours again. Other returning tour guides are Carroll Bains, George Matt, Lee Pontes, Rick Rudell, George Schmidt, Ken Stafford, Michael White, Dave Winiker, Carlton Lavinder and Milt Beach. New volunteers include Richard Carlson, Marshall Lefavor, Jack Regula, Chris Vatisdis and Ken Werhan. Thanks to all who have answered the call to keep this important function going. The NAS Oceana Commanding Officer has

assured us that the base truly appreciates our efforts in educating the public about Naval Aviation and removing the burden of the tours from his staff members and active duty personnel. A practice run was made on Wednesday 6 June. Kent has updated the Tour Guide reference book to 2012 information.

- d. WOA Scholarship Fund: It will be up to the Charity Committee to determine if this charity is considered in our charitable fund dispositions.

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

12. Hot Wash Up... None

13. Next Meeting...Wednesday July 11, 2012, 1800 at the NASO Officer's Club.

14. The meeting adjourned at 1930