

MINUTES
HRANA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

11 July 2012

1. The meeting was called to order at 1807 by HRANA Commanding Officer, Jim Joyner at his Virginia Beach residence. Board members present were Kent Von Fecht, Fred Metz, Judy Ready, Carroll Bains, Maury Unger, Doug Williams, Jim Dobberteen and John Allen. Board members Rob Wedertz, Troy Snead and Brian Abbott were absent.
2. Secretary's Report: Motion was made and seconded that the June board minutes be approved as written. Minutes are available on the HRANA web site.
3. Treasurer's Report: Jim Dobberteen presented a squadron "Statement of Financial Position" as of June 30, 2012. He also reminded the board that the Charity Committee needs to meet and that the 2011 tax return has been filed on time. Squadron financial reports are available to members for viewing upon request.
4. Membership Report: Doug Williams provided a Membership Summary as of June 2012. The squadron currently lists 45 Charter Members, 233 Life Members, 296 Regular Annual Members, 3 Husband and Wife Joint Memberships, 1 Organizational Membership and 8 Corporate Members for a total of 587 active members. Two new members joined the squadron during June 2012.
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. Tim Hopkins will provide music.
 - (2) November – Flight Suit Social – November 9th at the LSO School.
 - (3) December – Christmas Party – 14 December at the Princess Anne Country Club. The Beachnuts will provide music.
6. July Luncheon: Wednesday, July 18th, 1130 at the NAS Oceana Enlisted Dining Facility. Speaker will be VADM. David H. Buss, Deputy, U.S. Fleet Forces Command. VADM Buss is slated to be Commander, Naval Air Force/Naval Air Force Pacific. He has been asked to give an update on Naval Aviations programs and operations tempo and what he thinks the relationship of ANA should be with the active duty Navy. There will not be a luncheon in August.
7. PAO Report: Troy was not present.

8. Monument Report: The new camera has been installed but there is a compatibility issue with the current power supply and wiring. The contractor is scheduled to replace the wiring and power supply on Thursday July 12th. The Naval Airpower Legacy presentation is now taking place nightly at 2045 and 2130. Carroll Bains has attended the show and says it is very well done. The introduction by NAS Oceana Commanding Officer Robert Geis is also very impressive. None of the apparatus associated with the presentation interferes with the overall appearance of the monument area.

9. Old Business:

- a. 2012 Air Show Chalet: Kent again voiced concern over the number of supporters for this year and particularly in the outyears. In order to facilitate the request from one supporter, Kent will prepare a W-9 tax form and send it 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 at the June meeting with instructions to review and be prepared to discuss it at the July meeting. After some discussion and a few minor changes, the board approved the rules. Kent also discussed some changes in the C.O. Chalet. At this point it is uncertain whether it will be open only on Saturday or both Saturday and Sunday. Oceana no longer has the final say on the guest list and it is anticipated that many people who were invited in the past will no longer be on the list.
- b. STRATUM Web Analysis – A meeting was held in Jerry Cox’s conference room on Thursday June 7th. The HRANA web site is being hit 2,000 times per month with the most hits occurring in the News, Articles and Hot Issues sections. The Virtual Tour was updated, and the Calendar link was removed. The Multi-Media Section was moved from the Home Page to the Gallery Page with the anticipation that there will be more hits at that location. To make articles easier to read, the font size was increased.
- c. Bus Tours: Kent reported that the tours are going well in spite of the high temperatures and the fact that the resurfacing of the Officer’s Club parking lot denies easy access to the Historical Air Park. All new tour guides have completed training and so far over 550 tourists have visited Oceana. The microphones on the bus continue to present problems.

10. New Business:

- a. F-14 Brick Applications: Kent reported that he has restocked the application box every month and that each month it is usually empty, but none of the applications are being returned to HRANA. He recommends that we discontinue this effort, but the board said to continue it thru the summer.

- b. Speaker Lunches: A discussion was held concerning how to pay for the lunch for monthly speakers. It was decided that the money will come from the 50/50 proceeds prior to splitting the pot. Lunch will be provided for the speaker and his/her aide or assistant.
- c. VFA-34 Homecoming: A meeting will be held Thursday July 19th concerning the Blue Blaster's homecoming in August. After this one, HRANA will turn the homecomings over to the Strike Fighter Wing as previously agreed.

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

12. Hot Wash Up... None

13. Next Meeting...Wednesday August 1, 2012, 1800 at the NASO Officer's Club.

14. The meeting adjourned at 2000