

MINUTES

NOVEMBER HRANA BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

1 NOVEMBER 2017

1. The meeting was called to order at 1700 at the NAS Oceana Officer's Club by HRANA Commanding Officer Rick Rudell. Board members present were Jim Dobberteen, Kent Von Fecht, Maury Unger, Doug Williams, Judy Ready, Jim Joyner, Fred Metz and Charles Walker. Board Members Rob Weber, John Allen, Troy Snead, Carroll Bains and Bryan Roberts were absent.
2. Secretary's Report: Kent - Motion was made and seconded that September board minutes be approved.
3. Treasurer's Report: Jim Dobberteen - The board approved the October Statement of Financial Position. Financial reports are available upon request.

Chalet Summary – Finished in the black – Full report included in October Financial report.

Tax Exempt Status –Letter has been sent to the Local Taxpayers Advocate office seeking help in resolving this issue. The board agreed to seek legal assistance if the letter does not bring results.

2018 Budget Analysis – Very preliminary spending plan presented for 2018 – Bottom line is that we are not in a good financial position and need to go out with a letter to membership seeking help. The squadron once had money from ANA conventions and bingo but these sources no longer exist.

4. Membership Report: Doug Williams presented a membership report as of 31 October 2017. The squadron currently has 472 members. Two new members have joined since 1 July. There are eight members on the overdue renewal list. The report was approved by the board.
5. Plans and Programs: Operations Officer Judy Ready

Christmas Party – Everything is set, flyer is out and reservations are coming in slowly.

6. PAO Report – Troy was unable to attend.

New WINGS OF GOLD Editor – Captain Dave Kennedy, USN (Ret.) has replaced Captain Zip Rausa, USN (Ret.). Thanks Zip for many years of great magazines.

7. Monument Report – Fred presented pictures of the new Ely and carrier panels. The camera is currently down and there is some question whether we still need the camera as it is quite expensive to maintain. Fred is still pursuing the possibility of an NAS Oceana or F-14 Tribute.

8. Luncheons:

November – Wednesday 15 November, 1130, Dam Neck Annex. Speaker will be Captain James A. “Mouth McCall, USN.CVG-8.

December – No luncheon

January – Wednesday 17 January, 1139, Dam Neck Annex, Speaker TBA

We have a standing reservation for the third Wednesday of every month at Dam Neck except July, December and September if it conflicts with the air show. However, if a paying customer wants the Fireside Room we get bumped. The Oceana galley is under renovation and not an option. If anyone has a good idea for an alternate venue, please let us know.

9. Old Business:

By Laws: Fred is still updating this document. It was clarified that only the most recent Past President is a board member.

10. New Business:

Sonya Myers Letter of Resignation – Sonya has resigned effective 1 November. Lurch will work the luncheon speaker issue.

Thank you Sonja for the great speakers you have provided and for the assistance you have provided to other board members

NJROTC Assistance – Rick Rudell has been exploring the NJROTC programs at five local High Schools to see if HRANA wants to become involved.

USS FORD (CVN 78) Visitation. Some members had expressed an interest in visiting the FORD in conjunction with a luncheon. Sonya had looked into this and Kent provided her findings to the board.

ANA Headquarters move to Pensacola – No idea yet if and how this could affect HRANA or ANA as a whole.

11. CO/XO Comments – Regarding a comment last meeting about returning to monthly board meetings, Rick said he thought every other month is working fine and that we can always meet briefly after luncheons if there is a critical issue to resolve. Squadron bylaws require meetings at least quarterly.

12. Hot Wash Up – Nothing

13. Next Meeting – Wednesday 3 January, 2018, 1700 – NAS Oceana Officer’s Club.

14. Meeting adjourned at 1840.