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## MINUTES

**BOARD MEETING 10 March 2014**

# DRAFT

Board Meeting convened early at 11:50 at BISTRO in Marriott WPB, chaired by Council President Frank Drennan. Other attendees (14):

Jack Veasy  
Adele Siegel  
Phil Dunmire  
Jack Hanscom

Sumner Hushing  
Merry O'Donnell  
Sue Comerford  
Ken Lee

Dan Pedrick  
Jim Wells  
Chuck Stark  
Patricia Reybold

Peter Knight  
Frank Habicht

*Council President Frank Drennan opened with announcement that Council Director Catherine Brister's mother had passed away in past few days; a moment of silence was held in support of Catherine and her family.*

Meeting continued per Final Agenda with following additional items/comments noted:

**Secretary's Report/Minutes:** Two copies of final Minutes of 10 Feb 2014 Board Meeting were distributed, noting that Loretta Gamble had incorporated comments received on the draft minutes she distributed earlier; approval of the Minutes was tabled pending all present having a chance to read the pass-around copies (in time crunch, meeting ended with no comments or votes on 10 Feb Minutes.)

**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer's Reports of 28 Feb (distributed by Treasurer to Board via e-mail) were approved by voice vote.

### OLD BUSINESS

**Fleet Week:** Phil Dunmire was tapped to contact Broward Navy Days to see if there was a desire/need for NL-PBC involvement in Fleet Week, and if so, to bring info to Board for discussion and votes. Phil noted that the USS New York City is scheduled to be principal visiting ship for Fleet Week.

**National Convention travel:** It was confirmed in discussion that the past practice of the council was to not fund attendance at area or national NL meetings; i.e. member attendance is done at member's expense. Council President Frank Drennan and Membership VP Phil Dunmire indicated they would attend June's national convention.

**Membership Directory Opt Out:** President Frank Drennan noted that he had recently sent the memo to all members offering the option of having some or all of their info redacted from the council directory that is on our website (and password protected there).

“Ranking” Contributions Honor Roll: There were at least 3 voices raised in opposition to any sort of ranking of contributors and at least 3 voices raised in support of continuing past 3 years’ practice of publicizing contributors by name and with some sort of ranking information to indicate who were the major contributors. No consensus was likely at this meeting and Ken Lee volunteered to propose a council policy regarding public recognition of contributors and to distribute this policy for Board review/comment.

## NEW BUSINESS:

**Navy Ball Guest Speaker:** Phil Dunmire reported that he has invited VADM Mike Miller (Superintendent of U.S. Naval Academy) to speak and has a tentative yes from him. Board voted in favor of VADM Miller as speaker.

**Establish Speaker Committee:** Council President Frank Drennan asked for volunteers to serve on or to recruit a Program Speakers Committee. No one volunteered to serve. Frank reiterated the need and hopes some members will step forward. Some discussion of possibly having additional types of social events (other than straight lunch/dinner with speaker) ensued, but no decisions made due to this being off-topic with a lack of time to continue discussion.

**Date/Time for June IA Dinner at Tiki:** Dan Pedrick volunteered to get date from CO, NOSC; this needs to be on NOSC drill weekend.

**Open Officer & Committee Positions:** Tabled due to lack of time to address today.

## VP REPORTS

**Exec VP:** Jack Hanscom reminded us of his 4-months travel beginning on Mar 26 and noted that Mar/Apr/May/Jun event flyer planning\* was all in place except for date of June IA dinner at Tiki Restaurant. (\*including website assistant Carissa readiness)

**Membership:** Phil Dunmire reported that we had nearly 30% response to our written dues notices and only 10% response to our e-mail notices, and he and Joan/Jackie are working on follow-up measures. It was mentioned that we’ve received only \$1800 in contributions so far, compared to \$6000 received in 2013 Dues/Contributions drive.

**Maritime Affairs:** NOSC SOQ Ceremony will be next Sunday, Mar 16 at 4pm, preceded by NL-PBC Happy Hour at Palm Beach Kennel Club 1pm-3:30pm. Awards package already prepared for the SOQ recipients. Maximum turnout of council members encouraged; PBCC is fun and NOSC ceremony is patriotic boost to spirits! No SOQ announcements yet from AUTECH or Coast Guard or USS FLORIDA.

Dan Pedrick also mentioned that Senior Chief Michael Mosely’s retirement is scheduled for Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at NOSC. A notice to NL-PBC membership has been sent by email ..... please advise Dan Pedrick of your intention to attend; will get formal invite by e-mail from NOSC that will serve as access pass. A

motion was made and approved to fund an appropriate gift for SCPO Mosely in recognition of his outstanding performance and support of both his troops and of our Navy League relations.

**Programs:** Sue Comerford referenced her report submitted via e-mail, including her 10 March update on Navy Birthday arrangements. She said plans are in place at Sailfish Club to replicate the arrangements of the successful birthday dinner we held there in 2012. President Frank asked be to informed when contract needed to be signed to nail down the date, and also said to ensure we could accommodate at least 200 at Sailfish.

Sue's suggested price of \$60/ticket for the April Youth Appreciation Dinner was approved by voice vote of the Board.

Jack Hanscom reminded that MOAA has again invited NL-PBC members to attend their annual fly-in BBQ on Saturday, March 22. This is always a fun event!!

Chuck Stark reminded that Assoc. of Naval Aviators is having a March 20 4pm happy hour at North Palm Beach CC in honor of retirement of CAPT Iain Currie (as good excuse as any for a good happy hour!)

Meeting was adjourned at approx. 1:15 pm

Submitted: K. Lee 10 March 2014 (in absence of Secretary Loretta Gamble)

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