



**US NAVY LEAGUE
PALM BEACH COUNCIL**
Meeting Minutes
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June 9, 2015



Board0. Members - Present (20):

Eric Rydstrom	Patricia Reybold	Diana Paxton	Jim Wells
Frank Habicht	Ken Lee	Phil Dunmire	John Lively
Cindy Saulog	Jack Hanscom	Sonia Foster	Stan Shanck
Chuck Stark	Jack Veasy	Mike Hurley	Sue Comerford
Jerry Nelinson	Nancy Fish	Sumner Hushing	Lou Palumbo

Board Members - absent (9):

Adele Siegel	Catherine Brister	Dan Pendrick	Merry O'Donnell
George Mastics	Marybelle Knight	Rob Ford	Sumner Hushing

Others Present – (1)

Rick Comerford

Proceedings:

- Board Meeting was called to order at Noon at BISTRO in Marriott WPB, chaired by President, Jack Hanscom. Agenda for the meeting was emailed to board members.
- Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chuck Stark.
- Draft minutes written by Cindy Saulog for May 12, 2015, which were circulated for review by e-mail was approved by the Board by voice vote.
- Treasurer Report which was sent via e-mail by Eric Rydstrom was approved by the Board by voice vote.

Old Business:

- Recap: change in the principal office address of the Corp. to US NLPC c/o Gellis Consulting, LLC, 601 Heritage Dr., Ste. 123, Jupiter, FL 33458. The mailing address shall continue to be P.O. Box 14344, N. Palm Beach, FL 33408

Treasurer's Report: Eric Rydstrom

- Discussion and motion: Annual registration applications now include the corporation's Conflict of Interest Policy, and a current statement by each elected officer and director that he/she is in compliance with the policy. Motion carried.
 - All Officers and Board members present submitted the signed policy.
- Total net received from Seal's Contribution \$28,054.

- A big thank you to Ken Lee who was the liaison between NL-PBC and the Seal's Museum and brought these monies into NL-PBC.
- Total account balance \$110,424.44 as of May 31st 2015.
- Eric wanted to acknowledge non-board member contributions:
 - Cindy Townsend from Young Marines donated \$120 to NL-PBC
 - Gellis Consulting contributed \$425

New Business:

- Jack Veasy is diligently working on next year's Board.
 - We need a Treasurer
 - Suggested new JAG to replace George Mastics
- Discussion: Due to Article 5 in the Bylaws, only 30 members can be on the Board. Jack Veasy recommended a motion be made to change from 30 to 36 directors in the by laws.
 - Jack Hanscom will look into this with Headquarters to see what the bylaws are at national.
 - Ken Lee suggested adding Board members as the need arises so that there is no further restriction.
 - Sonia Foster suggested establishing Honorary positions on the Board once a Board member has served and contributed significantly to the council.
- A comment was made about the poor response for the 16 Jun 15 NOSC Appreciation Dinner. Only 16 members (not including guest) have signed up to attend.
 - Ken Lee suggested a nice e-mail be sent out to help promote this event.

Upcoming Events:

- 16 JUN 15 NL National Convention –Grand Hyatt Tampa. Phil Dunmire will attend.
- 30 JUN 15 Change of Command for American Veterans Division, Sea Cadets. Nancy Fish will represent NL-PBC at this event.
- 12 JUL 15 NOSC Family Day. NL invited. Eric will verify to see if a check for \$200 was written out for their morale fund. If not, Ken will purchase \$200 worth of Walmart gift cards to give to them.
- 22 AUG 15 Field trip to UDT-SEAL Museum. There will be a 56 passenger bus available, 2/3 of the building has been refurbished with new displays.

- 12 SEP 15 Welcome Back Port of Palm Beaches – 5-7pm. \$20/person + bar tab
- 11 NOV 15 Luncheon at NPB CC guest speaker – Bill Waylett, CAPT USN Ret. , VP for Legislative Affairs and NL National Consultant.
- 15 DEC 2015 Election of Officers, luncheon meeting will be held @ Sailfish Club Palm Beach 11:30am. Fred Rustmann (CIA ret.) will be the speaker.
- 06 JAN 16 Installation of Officers @ Sandpiper Cove
- Feb. 2016 – Social at The Chesterfield Palm Beach. Bob Milne – Ragtime Piano Player will play for us.
- March 2016 – Social will be held at Croquet Club
- April 2016 – Youth Appreciation Dinner will be held at Bear Country Club

Executive VP/VP Maritime: Ken Lee

- Ken thanked Jack Hanscom and Sue Comerford for being so organized and having all of the events planned out.
- Gave a short history as to how the NL-PBC got involved with the Seal Foundation.
 - Phil Dunmire connected Ken Lee with someone in Palm Beach who wanted to “do something nice” for the Navy SEALs at the Seal Foundation. They needed assistance and Ken was able to help them out. This has brought in approximately \$45,000 into the council. Approximately \$17,500 was donated in 2013 to the council and this year’s contribution was \$28,000 net.
- AUTEK – no recent contact; will send email invitation to Navy Birthday Ball soon.
- USS FL SSGN 728 – no recent contact; will send email invitation to Navy Birthday Ball soon.

Youth Programs Nancy Fish

- Nancy Fish saw the Young Marines in action in Washington D.C.
- Sea Cadets, American Veterans Division participated in several Memorial Day events
- NJROTC also participated in Memorial Day events
- American Veterans Change of Command 30 JUN 15 @ NOSC at 7pm – LCDR Anthony Ramirez to LTJG Larry Saulog incoming CO
- Meeting schedule for youth groups:
 - AMVETs Sea Cadets – meet every Tuesday night from 6:30pm -9:30pm at G-Star School of the Arts on Congress south of Forest Hill. 2065 Prairie Rd., Palm Springs, FL 33406
 - Young Marines meets every Wednesday nights from 6:00pm – 9:00pm at NOSC.

- PB Sea Cadets meet once a month for entire weekend at NOSC. What weekend of the month is unknown.

Membership: Mike Hurley

- Two new members have been added: Bill and Paula Mikus, good friends of Lou Palumbo and sponsored by John Lively
- Sonia mentioned she will bring a potential new member on Saturday.

Reflection:

- Jerry Nelinson gave a poignant speech about the Invasion of Normandy. He asked the Board to take a few minutes to reflect of the sacrifice made by so many 71 years ago on D Day.

Minutes submitted by Cindy Saulog, Secretary

Meeting adjourned promptly at 12:50 pm