



**US NAVY LEAGUE
PALM BEACH COUNCIL**
Meeting Minutes
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December 8, 2015



Board Members - Present (18):

Sonia Foster	Cindy Saulog	Jerry Nelinson	Mike Hurley
Nancy Fish	Sue Comerford	Catherine Brister	Adele Siegel
Chuck Stark	Dan Pedrick	Frank Habicht	Jack Veasy
John Lively	Lou Palumbo	Patricia Reybold	Stan Shanck
Sumner Hushing	Marybelle Knight		

Board Members - absent (6):

Ken Lee	Eric Rydstrom	Diana Paxton	Jim Wells
Merry O'Donnell	Phil Dunmire		

Others Present – (0)

Anita Immanuel

Proceedings:

- Board Meeting was called to order at Noon at BISTRO in Marriott WPB, chaired by Director, Sonia Foster. Agenda for the meeting was emailed to board members by President, Ken Lee.
- Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jerry Nelinson.
- Draft minutes written by Cindy Saulog for November 10th, 2015, was circulated for review by e-mail were approved by the Board by voice vote.
- Treasurer Report ending 11/30/2015 which was sent via e-mail by Eric Rydstrom were approved by the Board by voice vote.

Old Business

- Slate has been finalized for 2016. Final vote will take place at the December 15th Luncheon
- Chuck Stark recommended a speaker; combat veteran, Charles Dyke, Purple Heart recipient. Chuck gave Sonia his contact information.
- Sumner Hushing recommended Stan Caloussy for guest speaker
- Everyone is up-to-date with name tags
- Anita E. Manuel was introduced to the Board. She has been asked to join come alongside Eric Rydstrom

as assistant. More information posted under New Business.

- Dolphin Stadium exploratory trip went well. Phil Dunmire graciously donated the deposit to put the Navy League's name on a waitlist so a future date can be selected for a social event.
- Palm Tree project is still in limbo. Dan mentioned that the new CO is busy training staff so this project has been tabled for now.
- Sea Cadet Richard Verna will help out with the website.
- Jerry Nelinson has been sending out updates vial snail mail to fifteen members. Unfortunately, there has not been any response from them. Dan P. suggested that Jerry stop sending out mailers. Sonia F. recommended reaching out to them via a phone call before cutting them off the list.

New Business

- Bob Crippen will be leading NL-PBC Science Fair judging with Limoncelli, Krause and Comerford assisting. They will award a \$400 Ullman Award to 1 middle & 1 high school project. The money was already donated for this event.
- On behalf of Ken Lee, Sonia Foster made a motion to donate \$200 to USCG SLWI holiday party. Motion approved. Sonia Foster and Jerry Nelinson will attend this event.
- Guardian of the Quarter will receive \$100 for this quarter. Ken Lee will present the plaque.
- On behalf of Ken Lee, Sonia Foster made a motion to approve miscellaneous expenses for John Hanscom memorial.
 - During discussion, Lou Palumbo donated \$200
 - Motion was made to increase to \$300. Motion passed
 - \$200 contribution was made by Rydstrom/Ross
 - Ken Lee has paid some out of pocket and has paid the rest with the council debit card. All debit card purchases have receipts sent to Treasurer
- Anita Manuel a Lifetime USNL National Member and member of the Palm Beach Council expressed an interest in working with Treasurer Eric Rydstrom as Asst. Treasurer for 2016. A motion was made to have Anita on the board. Motion passed by unanimous vote. She agreed to serve on the Board of Directors for 2016.

VP Programs – Sue Commerford

- Dec. 15th Luncheon at Sailfish Club has had an overwhelming good turnout. There are 86 spots taken, there is enough room for 100 people.

VP Maritime Affairs – Ken Lee (absent)

- As of now, Dan P. has no names or date for NOSC but should know by the end of the day.
- AUTEK – Lou Palumbo spoke to Capt. D. Krause. The CO is under the impression that they are not allowed to receive anything even though JAG wrote a letter to them

VP Youth Programs -Nancy Fish

- Young Marines will be graduating at the NOSC, Wed. Dec. 9th 2015. Captain Bob Crippen is the Guest Speaker for the graduates. Nancy Fish-Averhart and Sonia Foster will be attending this event.
- American Veterans Division Sea Cadets will be traveling to Kings Bay, GA to visit the Strategic Weapons Facility. They may visit the Mayport station as well if they can get access on time.

VP Membership -Mike Hurley

- Membership is status quo. No increase or decrease
- A recommendation was made to take our old Sea Power Magazines at doctors' office with an application inside. Maybe we will get some members that way.
- Smile.amazon.com donates a small percent to the Navy League if you sign up and select the Navy League Palm Beach Council for the charity of choice.

VP Communications – Jerry Nelinson

- Jerry commented on a job well done by Ken Lee with the News Clip
- Jerry needs assistance with taking photos
- We are seeking articles to submit to Sea Power Magazine related to our work here in Palm Beach.

Get well wishes to Merry O'Donnel, Joan Ross and Elizabeth Rogers.

Minutes submitted by Cindy Saulog, Secretary

Meeting adjourned promptly at 12:45 pm