

**PBC NLUS
BOD Meeting Minutes**

May 8, 2018

Location: Marriott Courtyard, West Palm Beach, FL

Secretary: Cindy Saulog

Meeting convened 1200.

Phil Dunmire, Ken Lee, Dan Pedrick, John Lively, Jerry Nelinson, Louis Palumbo, Diana Paxton, Peter Petrelis, MaryBelle Knight, Patricia Reybold, Joan Ross, Eric Rydstrom, Cindy Saulog, Chuck Stark, Jennie Monroe, Richard Wennet (16)

Guests: Mr. Jeff Leibowitz and Mr. Foye Belyea

Quorum present.

Pledge of Allegiance - Mr. Chuck Stark

April 2018 Minutes:

Motion made by Phil Dunmire to “Accept” the April 2018 Minutes, Seconded by Joan Ross.

Two corrections to the April Minutes.

- 1) At the beginning of the minutes under Attendees present by name, Richard Wennet was listed as “Bill” Wennet when it should have been stated as Richard Wennet.
- 2) In the category of the updates to the Navy Ball-2019, under the paragraph titled “Discussion”, the minutes reflect Bill Waylett offered certain suggestions, where it was actually Richard Wennet speaking.

Vote to “Accept” the May 2018 Minutes was unanimous, with above corrections.

April 2018 Financial Report:

Ken Lee on behalf of Anita Manuel, Treasurer, motions to approve the April 2018 financial report. Second by Eric Rydstrom. Motion accepted.

Executive Vice President remarks – Peter Petrelis

- 1) President Wiggins is on travel.
- 2) Youth Recognition Night was a great success and was encouraged with our future leaders.
- 3) Welcome Mr. Jeff Leibowitz, CDR USNSCC - Regional Director of 6 units in the Region. Has been a sea cadet program for 50 years. Navy League member since 2003.
- 4) Welcome to Mr. Foye Baylae – Commander of the Young Marines.

Old Business:

- 1) Ken Lee met with the Website developer. Estimated date of completion o/a May 9th. It seems to be working on all platforms. We are establishing Council archives with a new library under Resources. Agendas, meeting minutes and financial reports will be password protected. As of yesterday, they were not able to contact the old website host to transfer information. Putting Paypal in place. Once the transfer takes place, it will take a few hours to go live. Hoping to go live with this by the end of the week. A Webmaster is still being sought.
- 2) Nomination Committee Chair – Phil Dunmire. Nominations still being sought for VP Youth. It was briefly discussed that the Executive VP should take the position until someone is selected.
- 3) USS Indiana Commissioning update - No updates, TBA commissioning date at Cape Canaveral, FL. No invitation so far.
- 4) Daly Scholarship update – Peter Petrelis. Boca Rotan Community High School Change of Command. Cadet Shannon Hourigan was awarded the scholarship. Thank you note received. Cadet Hourigan will be heading to Ohio State University and will participate in the U.S. Air Force ROTC program.
- 5) Navy Ball 2019 Update. Catherine Brister was not in attendance, however the contract has been signed and monies have been deposited.
- 6) On May 17, 2018 VADM (Ret) Gordon Holder will be speaking at our monthly luncheon. Attendance numbers are currently low; however Phil Dunmire will work with Anita Manuel to make calls. Cindy Saulog will resend the announcement to the Board and NL Members, along with emails to all Unit CO's.
- 7) May 22 is National Maritime Day recognizing the first steamship Atlantic Ocean crossing by the SS Savannah in 1933. A Presidential proclamation goes out on that day honoring those merchant mariners those who served, and to recognize the benefits of the maritime industry. Ceremonies taking place around the Nation.

New Business:

- 1) Membership - Joan Ross. Requesting to have 58 PBC members removed from the current roster. Joan Ross has several attempts to reach out and inquire further participation in the Council. There has been no response.

While the list of lapsed National members to be removed from the Council roster was the basis for the motion, the following was what passed:

"When National has deleted a member from their roster, and after two reminder notices from the Council without response, the member will be removed from the Council roster."

The intent of the motion was three-fold. 1) to remove those members whose membership had lapsed, and who had not responded to reminders; 2) to avoid the Board having to repeatedly deal with this same issue, and 3) to have a policy treating all members the same.

To recap on the vote: Joan Ross motions to remove those members from the roster. Seconded by Ken Lee. Motion passed - All in Favor.

- 2) MCJROTC requesting funding for trophies. No specific request.
- 3) USCG requesting financial support for COC ceremony. Peter Petrelis will wait for a call back to find out exact amount needed. Ken Lee not comfortable with the way requests are coming in. In the past requests have always come through the liaison instead of direct contact with Board.
- 4) Deirdre Krause has requested to be removed as USCG Liaison. Ken Lee action to replace and will stand in until a new USCG liaison rep is named.. Ken Lee to speak to Jerry Nelinson regarding position interest.
- 5) Palm Beach Gardens NROTC requesting funding for trophies. Ken moves to send \$250 to help the unit. Motion passed – All in favor.

- 6) Rachael Gwinn's bequeath - Richard Wennet. Yet to be announced disbursal to the Council; either a lump sum of \$500,000 or \$25,000 per year. Monies to be used for the youth activities only. Funding will occur at the sale of estate property which will tentatively take place in June 2018. Richard Wennet mentioned annual report to advise lawyers where the monies have been spent. It is exceedingly important to be in good relations with the trustee.
 - a. Benefit to us in order to expand possibly to an MOA. Have an interaction with them so we can increase our membership and have more people attend events.
 - b. Council by-laws. Number of conflicts - inconsistencies (example article number 7th). Concerned by wording in several sections of the By-laws.
 - c. Monies will not co-mingle with general funds.
- 7) Peter Petrelis mentioned the need for adult volunteers for our local units.
- 8) Missing check for Young Marines. Issue settled.

Reports:

- 1) VP/other reports on file.
- 2) Jerry Nelinson - Battle of Bulge – last meeting in December.

For the good of the Board:

- 1) Jerry Nelinson – today we celebrate Victory Day in Europe
- 2) Patricia Reybold – Sue Commerford – not in good shape. Would the Board consider sending a letter of condolence card? Ken Lee indicated a card was already sent.
- 3) Phil Dunmire – attended a 2-day workshop on Cyber Defense at NWC Newport, RI.

1305: Meeting adjourned.