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# **Palm Beach Council**

## **Navy League of the United States**

### **Board of Directors - Meeting Minutes**

Feb 11, 2020

Location: Marriott Hotel, West Palm Beach, FL

**Secretary:** Marilyn Coleman (absent) – Ken Lee drafted attached Minutes

**Officers/Directors Present:** Diana Paxton, Jerry Nelinson, Bob Ames, Chuck Stark, John Limoncelli, Maurice Maccario, Jennie Monroe, Charles Zambrano, Betty Wetherington, Catherine Brister, Ken Lee, Dan Pedrick, John Lively, Rich Wennet,

Council President John Lively convened the meeting at 1200 and began with the Pledge of Allegiance, led by Jerry Nelinson.

#### **President's Remarks:**

- Thanked members for their many expressions of condolences after his Mother's passing
- Noted that Lou Palumbo was absent today due to medical issues but looked forward to quick return to council activities
- Asked Ken Lee to please record Minutes of today's meeting
- Thanked VP Programs Jennie Monroe for her excellent handling of our recent social events

#### **Approval of January 2020 Board Minutes:**

Motion made and seconded and approved to accept the Jan 14 Minutes as distributed yesterday to all Board members.

#### **Approval of February 2019 Treasurer's Report:**

Treasurer Eric Rydstrom was absent, but January's Financial Reports were distributed by e-mail prior to this meeting. Ken Lee noted two items in the reports (1) a \$7500 contribution from D. Minkin Foundation was meant for 2019 but not received by Treasurer until Feb 2020 due to wrong mailing address. The contribution was logged as a 2019 item and the Dec 2019 report was corrected. (2) a \$500 contribution was received from member John Benisch this month, and we hope to see John again in FL soon. It was confirmed that Treasurer Eric Rydstrom was sending appropriate Thank You letters to our generous donors.

Motion made and seconded and approved to accept January 2020 Financial Reports as submitted.

#### **Old Business**

#### **Update on status of luncheons.**

- Jan luncheon at Ballen Isles was a financial success and a very popular event for members. Catherine Brister reported she has friends willing to sponsor us there for Birthday Ball in future ..... Council members Maurice Maccario and Frank Leonetti also ready to sponsor.
- Feb 12 luncheon at Abacoa ..... VP Youth Frank Verna likely absent due to illness; Council President John Lively to preside .... Ken Lee to bring computer for presentations .... 5 youth leaders will present
- Mar 18 luncheon will be aboard M/V Grand Classica at Port of Palm Beach with guest speaker LTGEN Patrick Huges, U.S. Army (ret)
- Apr 25 dinner for Youth Appreciation Dinner will be held again at Ironhorse CC. Plaques are on order in anticipation of at least 18 awards.
- May 20 luncheon will be at National Croquet Club – speaker needed

- June social will be a visit to SEAL-UDT Museum in Fort Pierce on June 17. Charles Zambrano stepped up to honcho that event, with museum contacts provided by Ken Lee.
- October dinner will be Navy Birthday Dinner; Jennie Monroe leading that .... venue tbd.
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### **Form/Appoint Audit Committee**

- Executive VP Bob Ames volunteered to chair Audit Committee, and John Lively and Ken Lee volunteered to assist ..... Ken to provide documentation of 2019 Financial Review to Bob.

### **USCG Liaison representative now vacant**

Chris Susko's membership has lapsed and his liaison slot is vacant. Good opportunity for council member to engage with local active military ..... much assist available from Nelinson/Lee/Rydstrom ...looking for volunteer.

### **Science Fair Judging Coordinator**

John Limoncelli, long-time Science Fair judge, volunteered to chair that activity Dec 2020/Jan 2021

### **Daly Scholarship Chairman**

Betty Wetherington is chairing this activity, assisted by Ken Lee. Daly Scholarship notice and application instructions will be sent to our youth program leaders next week.

### **Coffee Table Books**

Item tabled pending return of Director Phil Dunmire

**Sumner Hushing** – has returned home from recent rehab, with assistance of member Anita Manuel. Thanks to the 6 or 8 member visitors over the past month.

## **New Business**

### **USCG Guardian of the Quarter (GOQ)**

- Council President John Lively and VP Maritime Affairs Ken Lee will present two GOQ awards at Station Lake Worth Inlet tomorrow morning.
- Motion made, seconded and approved by voice vote to also present Station C.O. Sparks with a \$300 contribution to the Station's Morale/Welfare/Recreation fund.

## **VP Reports**

### **VP Legislative Affairs – John Limoncelli**

- Nothing new

### **Judge Advocate – Rich Wennet**

- Nothing new

### **NOSC Liaison – Dan Pedrick**

- Still in frequent touch with C.O. Both sides happy.

### **VP Maritime Affairs – Ken Lee**

- Still no response from AUTEK re SOQs in spite of earlier comms planning to do so “soon.”

**Motion was made, seconded and approved for adjournment;  
President Lively gaveled the meeting to a close at 12:30pm**