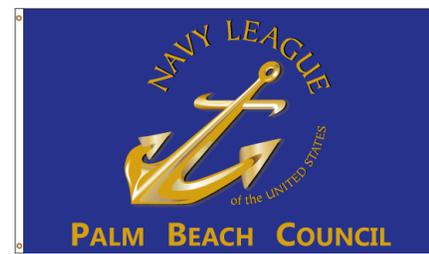




**US NAVY LEAGUE
PALM BEACH COUNCIL**
Meeting Minutes
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January 12, 2016



Board Members - Present (19):

Ken Lee	Eric Rydstrom	Cindy Saulog	Sonia Foster
Jerry Nelinson	Mike Hurley	Nancy Fish-Averhart	Sue Comerford
Chuck Stark	Dan Pedrick	Diana Paxton	Jack Veasy
John Lively	Lou Palumbo	Patricia Reybold	Phil Dunmire
Stan Shanck	Sumner Hushing	Anita Manuel	

Board Members - absent (7):

Sharon Donahue	Adele Siegel	Catherine Brister	Frank Habicht
Jim Wells	Marybelle Knight	Merry O'Donnell	

Others Present – (0)

Proceedings:

- This Board meeting was held immediately following the scheduled monthly social, due to scheduling changes around Jim Ponce funeral . Board Meeting was called to order at 1:30pm at Sandpiper's Cove in North Palm Beach, chaired by President, Ken Lee. Agenda for the meeting was emailed to board members by Ken Lee.
- Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chuck Stark before the luncheon
- Before the luncheon and board meeting, Ken Lee requested a moment of silence for key members of the Navy League that passed away in 2015: Admiral Bill Hushing, Jackie Shanck, Council President Jack Hanscom, and Palm Beach Historian Jim Ponce.
- Special Guest, CDR Trent Westhoff (CO, NOSC West Palm Beach) was hosted by Dan Pedrick and was introduced during the luncheon. CDR Westhoff thanked all members present for the Palm Beach Council's strong support for the NOSC sailors.
- Bob Crippen administered the oath to the 2016 Officers and Directors, and Ken thanked all those present for their valuable assistance in directing the affairs of the Palm Beach Council.
- Draft minutes written by Cindy Saulog for December 8, 2015, was circulated for review by e-mail were approved by the Board by voice vote.

- Treasurer Report ending 12/31/2015 which was sent via e-mail by Eric Rydstrom were approved by the Board by voice vote.

New Business

- The Ullman Scholarships were presented two weeks ago. We (and Ken Lee's submarine vets) are the only military group that sponsors the Science Fair.
- Young Marines and American Veterans Div. Sea Cadets attended the Polo Club Fundraiser on Jan. 10th, 2106
 - The cadets assisted in maintain security and escorting guests
 - NL-PBC is expecting to receive \$1,000 for the youth assistance. Those monies will be disbursed to the two units that participated in this event.
 - Thank you Irwin Edenzon for supporting the youth group
- The St. Patrick Church veterans group is looking for guest speakers. If you are interested, please contact Ken Lee.
- Ken Lee mentioned that Jack Hanscom was the heartbeat of keeping the website up and running. We now have a Sea Cadet who will be assisting Ken Lee in posting new materials to the website and in considering new features or changes to the site. Thank you Sea Cadet Richard Verna.
- Stan Shanck had a question about when the planning for the Navy Birthday Dinner will take place – Ken will address this at the next meeting; volunteers are needed if we are to have a dinner

VP Programs – Sue Commerford

- Ken reviewed the upcoming events
 - Feb. 9th: Board of Directors meeting; Marriott WPB Bistro
 - Feb. 11th: Luncheon, Chesterfield Hotel Palm Beach – Bob Milne Ragtimist
 - Mar. 8th Luncheon, National Croquet Center – Speaker TBA
 - Apr. 12th Board of Directos meeting; Marriot WPB Bistro
 - Apr. 16th Youth Recognition Dinner
- A round of applause was given to Sue Comerford for her outstanding dedication and all of her hard work in coordinating with venue staffs and in administering registration and fee collections.

VP Maritime Affairs – Ken Lee (absent)

- Dan Pedrick – NOSC; NOSC will be submitting names for Sailor of the Quarter and Sailor of the Year later this week.

- Sonia Foster – USCG; submitted report to Ken Lee: Sonia received the names of the Guardians of the Quarter Award. The awards were presented by Ken Lee and BMC Parker to MK3 Andrew Curran, and a 2nd award will be presented by Sonia Foster soon. The awardees received plaques with \$100 each from the NL-PBC.
 - SLWI has expressed gratitude and thanks for the USNL PBC contributions to MWR
- Lou Palumbo – AUTEK; Lou is waiting for Luncheon to take place. At this time they are not nominating Quarterly awards due to cost of having a NL-PBC member fly out and present award.
 - Ken Lee reported that CO has agreed to submit SOQ/SOY names to Palm Beach Council soon, with expectation that awards will be prepared and given to AUTEK staff in WPB for subsequent award presentations by CO, AUTEK at the Andros Island facility.
- USSFL – Out of communication

VP Youth Programs -Nancy Fish

- Nancy is currently working on the Appreciation Dinner
- Ken Lee read an update from American Veterans Division on what the Sea Cadets did in the month of December.
 - Ken congratulated the American Veterans Division for a job well done.

VP Membership -Mike Hurley

- Two new members were added this month bringing total to 198. Mike Hurley sent out a report to the Board via e-mail.
- Annual dues dropped \$10 bring cost down from \$65 to \$55
- Mike will print new membership applications
- Local dues of \$25 for NL-PBC will be due soon. A notice will be sent out.
- We have a new Judge Advocate – Reid Moore. Reid is a practicing attorney in Palm Beach and is a former Mayor of West Palm Beach.

VP Communications – Jerry Nelinson

- Jerry mentioned we had three comments in the Sea Power Magazine this quarter.

Other

- Board thanked Treasurer Eric Rydstrom, who was not present, for a job well done.
- The Board thanked Anita for coming alongside Eric Rydstrom as assistant Treasurer
- Dan Pedrick submitted receipts to Anita for Hanscom food/supplies reimbursement.
- Merry O'Donnel suffered a fall – she cracked a few ribs. She is getting better. If you would like to talk to her, it is best to send her a card. It is very hard for her to speak. Her address is in the roster.
- Anita Manuel and Phil Dunmire attended the Arlington Cemetery two weeks ago for the Internment of RA William Hushing and reported that the ceremony was superbly conducted with horse drawn caisson and honor guard squad on a beautiful chilly, sunny day.

Minutes submitted by Cindy Saulog, Secretary

Meeting adjourned promptly at 2:15 pm