

Minutes of the NNWA General Membership Meeting

October 10, 2013

Pigeon Forge, TN.

President Mike Snyder called the meeting of the 28th annual NNWA reunion to order at 0900 October 10, 2013. The reunion was held at the Oak Tree Lodge in Sevierville, TN. All board members were present except for Ray Margeson and John Gray. The meeting was attended by 61 members in good standing.

The President asked for all present to stand for the opening prayer by Chaplain Ed Krenck followed by the pledge of allegiance to the American Flag. All present remained standing as the Chaplain conducted the two bell ceremony to honor our shipmates who transferred to the Supreme Commanders Staff:

LCDR Sam Gath
LCDR Milford Stanley
GMTCS Robert Tome
Ellamae Weaver

CWO4 Robert O. King
CWO4 Daniel Sauer
LCDR Douglas Weaver

The President welcomed all reunion participants and thanked them for their participation. A special emphasis was noted for the new members who were welcomed by a hearty round of applause.

The President called for the minutes of last year's general membership meeting to be read.

The minutes of the 2012 business meeting were read by the Secretary.

The President called for any additional information for inclusion in the minutes.

Hearing none the President entertained a motion to accept the minutes as read. A motion was made, seconded and passed. M/S/P

The Secretary reported no additional information to report.

The President called for the Treasurers Report

- a. The Treasurer passed out copies of the financial report to the membership. The Treasurer reported that the only outstanding bills to be paid were for this year's reunion. The Treasurer reminded those present to not leave copies of the financial report lying around. It was requested that they take the report with them or destroy them.
- b. The President asked for a motion to pay all outstanding bills. A motion was made, seconded and passed. M/S/P

The President reported on the 2013 Association accomplishments as follows:

- a. This last year saw a new Gray Dragon John Cummings. In January 2013 President Mike Snyder traveled to Chula Vista, CA to bestow the Gray Dragon award to Mr. Cummings. A very interesting article is available on the NNWA website regard John Cummings naval career.

The President asked for individual board member's reports:

- a. Secretary's Report:
 1. Nothing further to report.
- b. Treasurer's Report:
 1. Nothing further to report.
- c. Service Officer's Report:
 1. The Service Officer, Chuck Weber, provided great input on what a Service Officer can do for us and how to find one in our areas. Additionally, Chuck advised those present that he had a table available with useful handouts available to those with questions. In addition Chuck offered to provide individual consultations if desired.
- d. Historian Report:
 1. Mike Snyder reported that he was stepping down as the group's historian. He emphasized the importance of each one of us to document our careers. As we are a "last man standing" organization if we do not tell our story it won't get told. Mike also announced that Guy Clemons had stepped up and volunteered to become the new Historian.
- e. Chaplain Report:
 1. Nothing further to report.

Unfinished Business

The President thanked Brenda Kelly and Frank Cantrell and all of those who helped with this outstanding reunion. The membership gave them a round of applause for all of their efforts.

The Hospitality Room will be secured at 1200 hours today so preparations can be made for the dinner dance.

New Business

The first order of new business the President announced that six positions were open on the board and up for election by the Membership. He informed the Membership that in accordance with the By-Laws, the following Officer positions were also up for election by the new Board during the Board Meeting to follow the General Business meeting. He then turned the gavel over to the Nominations and Elections Chairman Tom Salisbury to conduct appropriate nominations and elections.

Tom provided an overview of the qualifications and responsibilities of being a Board member. You must be a member in good standing and have email capability. Nominations were opened with our June 2013 Newsletter which was provided to each member via email or postal service. The nomination period was closed effective August 15th without comment and was suspended.

New Nomination	Y/N	Present at meeting	In good standing
Guy Clemons	Yes	Yes	Yes
Incumbents			
Vice President			
Frank Cantrell	Yes	Yes	Yes
Treasurer			
Frank Kelly	Yes	Yes	Yes
Secretary			
Dave Cobb	No	Yes	Yes
Historian			
Mike Snyder	No	Yes	Yes
Webmaster			
Ray Margeson	Yes	No*	Yes

*Absent. Accepted nomination in writing.

Two Director position's were available however no one has been put forth for nomination.

As a result the following current board members were placed in to nomination for the term 2014 – 2015.

Nominations from the floor was opened to fill two Directors. One who had resigned and one whose two year term had expired.

Hearing no nominations. A motion was made to close nominations. A second was made and passed. M/S/P

The Board of Directors placed the following names in nomination for the position of Director for the term 2014 – 2015. Each has indicated their willingness to accept such nomination.

Frank Cantrell Frank Kelly Ray Margeson Guy Clemons

A motion from the floor was made that the Secretary of the Corporation cast a single vote for those nominated which will reflect the unanimous consent of the membership present at this meeting. Motion was seconded and passed. M/S/P

The newly elected Directors received a round of applause.

Elections were closed and the gavel was returned to the President.

The President called for any additional New Business items from the floor. Hearing none he asked the Chaplain to close us in prayer.

The General Business meeting was closed at 10:22 October 10th, 2013.