

Navy Nuclear Weapons Association

Annual Business Meeting Minutes

Date: 22 SEP 17



# **Opening of Meeting:**

The Navy Nuclear Weapons Association annual business meeting was held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in San Diego, CA on 22 SEP 17. The meeting was called to order at 1000 with 52 association members and guests in attendance. The following board members were present:

President:	Tom Salisbury	Webmaster:	absent
Vice President:	absent	Chaplain:	Dwight Chipperfield (acting)
Secretary:	John Gray	Historian:	absent
Treasurer:	Don Schultz	Director:	Robert Fischer
MAA:	Ron Moran	Director:	Richard Gurule
Director/Storekeeper:	Dwight Chipperfield	Director:	John Hawkins

The President called on the Chaplain to give the opening prayer which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Chaplain then conducted the Two-Bell ceremony to recognize and honor the memory of the following association members who have passed since the last reunion:

LT David L. Cobb	BM2 Robert B. Pope
GMTC Donald Fulbright	WTCM Frank B. Reinertsen
AO2 Scott Meents	GMTCS J.L. "Dee" Rochester
Lucille L. Pope	GMT1 and Reverend Randall D. Scallan

The President welcomed everyone and called for all new association members and first time reunion attendees to stand and introduce themselves.

The President called for the Secretary and Treasurer's reports:

### Secretary's Report:

The Secretary read the minutes of the 2016 Annual Business Meeting. There being no additions or corrections it was moved, seconded, and passed that they be accepted. There was no other correspondence.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

The Treasurer passed out copies of the NNWA 2017 Financial Report to the members. It was reported that there were no outstanding bills related to this reunion. It was noted that an annual audit was conducted of the Treasurer's records by two board members and the results provided to the President. Closing balance of the audit period: \$23,949.62

It was moved, seconded, and passed that all outstanding bills be paid.

# **Presidents Report:**

Gave his report on the current status of the organization, specifically:

1. Membership status:

Members in good standing:	454
Associate Members	13
Life Members:	48
NAAV Reciprocal Member:	1
Past Members:	274

He noted that the association gained 27 new members in 2017 and that 8 members had passed away.

- 2. Announced information about the Historian position, the status of memorabilia, that we had sent letters to members who had donated items stating that the association would return those items if desired. He discussed the BOD's plan on storing the items, sorting, and potentially donating them to an appropriate museum(s). He stated that the association would maintain the individual histories scanning them into pdf files vice keeping paper copies. The Microsoft Access database of Navy Nuclear Weapons Program members would also continue to be maintained.
- 3. Announced that we would be using the Military Reunion Planners for the 2018 reunion in St. Louis and that the association would provide support.
- 4. Thanked the current board members for their service and support during this past year.

The president then asked for the remaining board members reports.

Vice Presidents Report: Not present

Webmasters Report: Not present

Historians Report: Not present

**<u>Chaplains Report:</u>** Nothing to report.

#### **Storekeepers Report:**

During the period of 16 SEP 16 to 16 SEP 17 reported sales of \$677.50. He stated the Ship's Store would be open later that day from 1400-1600 in the hospitality room. Hel also reported sales during the current reunion of \$1,142.00

**Service Officers Report:** Not in attendance, his input is posted on the NNWA website.

### MAAs Report:

Reported that no-one in attendance "took a knee" or was sitting down during the Pledge of Allegiance. Provided details on how the reunion's dinner-dance, raffles, door prizes, and gift exchange would work.

**Directors Report:** Nothing to report.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

The President reported on the condition of the current Gray Dragon, John Cummings. He currently lives in a care facility in Chula Vista, CA and is fairly active. Reported that John unfortunately did not feel up to attending this reunion because of his health.

The President thanked the members of the board and all the other association members and their wives and family for all their hard work in setting up and organizing this reunion. They were given a round of applause by the membership.

The president announced the location of the Dinner/Dance and that the bar would open at 1800 with dinner at 1900.

There was no other unfinished business.

## New Business:

1. Board of Director (BOD) Nominations: The president announced that John Hawkins was in charge of nominations and elections and turned the gavel over to him. John explained that after he was chosen as elections chairman he had contacted the board members with expiring terms to determine if they desired to continue their service. The results were as follows:

Office	Incumbent	Willing to Continue
		on Board
Vice President	Antonie Lewin	N
Treasurer	Don Schultz	Y
Chaplain	vacant	n/a
Historian	Guy Clemons	Ν
Webmaster	Ray Margeson	Y
Director	Richard Gurule	Y

John explained that he had contacted various members in good standing to determine their interest in serving on the BOD. The following member expressed a desire and as the Nominations and Elections Chairman he was now nominating him:

### Charles Behymer

John opened the floor for additional nominations, whereas Bob Fischer nominated Ed Deitzler, Ron Moran nominated Bethany Gray, Bethany Gray nominated Julien "Lindy" Lindstrom, and Kris A. Hobbs volunteered himself. It was moved, seconded and passed the nominations be closed.

### 2. BOD Elections:

John opened the floor for elections. He entertained a motion from the floor that the Secretary cast a single vote for those individuals nominated which would represent the unanimous consent the voting membership present. The motion was made, seconded, and passed.

The Secretary called for congratulations for the newly elected board members and they received a round of applause. It was then moved, seconded, and passed that the elections be closed. John returned the gavel to the president.

3. Future Reunions:

The president announced that in 2018 the 33<sup>nd</sup> reunion of the NNWA would be held in:

Region:	Midwest US
Location:	St Louis, MO
Host:	The BOD and the Military Reunion Planners

The President stated that the 2019 reunion was still in planning with a couple of locations being considered:

Region:	Eastern US
Location:	Either Jacksonville, FL or Nashville, TN
Host:	Either Robert Fischer and wife or the BOD and the Military
	Reunion Planners

The president announced that in 2020 the 35<sup>th</sup> reunion of the NNWA would be held in:

Region:	Western US
Location:	Colorado Springs, CO
Host:	The BOD and the Military Reunion Planners

4. The president discussed Heritage memberships – that they were family members of the NNWA Regular members; and that we now had four members of that category.

There was no other new business.

#### **Close of Meeting:**

There being no further business, at 1055 it was moved, seconded, and passed that the Annual Business Meeting be closed. It was announced that at 1115 the new BOD would convene for elections of officers and conducting of business.

At 1057 the Chaplain led the association in a closing praying and the meeting was closed.

The bar was opened!

Submitted by:

10/17/2017

X John M. Gray

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