

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
NAVY LEAGUE OF THE UNITED STATES – NEWPORT COUNCIL  
WYNDHAM ATLANTIC RESORT – MIDDLETOWN, RI  
3 JUNE 2024

Attendees: Rob Winneg, Len DiLorenzo, Walt Wasowski, Mike Slein, Roy Callahan, Pat Burke, Peg Murray, Tony Cercena, Tom Feeney, Anne Huot, Jean Peterson, Farnam Brown.

Meeting called to order by President Winneg at 1700. Pledge of Allegiance.

Reports:

1. Secretary's Report - Minutes of 6 May 2024 were distributed. Motion to accept and passed.
2. Treasurer's Report – Distributed and reviewed by Treasurer. Good shape for year. No income received in May. Waiting to receive rebates from National (SEACORP renewal). Expect special contributions before the end of June. Need renewals of Business and Community Associates. Treasurer noted that annual filing with the Rhode Island Secretary of State was completed. Motion to accept and passed.
3. Membership Report: Follow up with BAs and CAs should be scheduled. Board Member Mike Slein confirmed renewal of SEACORP. The Navy Federal Credit Union plans to renew. President Winneg will follow up with Electric Boat at Quonset. Board Member Len DiLorenzo reported a total of 208 members. Board reminded to visit BAs and CAs in the month due (see calendar). Motion to accept report by Board Member Mike Slein and seconded by BM Walt Wasowski.
4. Sea Cadets (Falcon and NCBC) – No report. Noted replacement of Check # 4694 to Sea Cadets.

Current Business:

1. Coast Guard District 1 – President Winneg attended two ceremonies in Boston: Change of Command and retirement of Rear Admiral Mauger, Commander, First CG District.
2. National Meeting update – President Winneg reported start date of 5 June and will send results to the Board.
3. MAN Update – Scheduled for Thursday, 17 October 2024, at the Wyndham in Middletown. Guest speaker will be Richard W. Spinrad, Ph.D, Undersecretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere, and the Administrator of NOAA.

New Business:

1. United States Navy Academy (USNA) Alumni Proposal – Barbecue/picnic scheduled for 16 June in Newport. How can the Navy League Newport help was discussed: Attend, donation, partner with VFW, etc. No decision made.
2. By-Laws Review status – on going.
3. NCC/NSC Welcome Picnic date update – President Winneg. Proposed for 17 August. To be continued.
4. Rhode Island State Tall Ship Proposal – Approached by Tripp Alyn, Naval Order of the United States, for discussion. President Winneg will contact Admiral Howe. We are not ready on short notice to host. No motion. Tabled for future date.

5. Next Cutterman's Call Target Date – TBD.
6. Shaw's Bag Promotion – Donation to our Navy League. Board Member Len DiLorenzo will send out e mail to members.
7. Calendar for recognition events and CA meetings – reviewed and assignments confirmed. Noted reminder for "Veterans Get Outside Day" at Fort Adams on 9 June; and Newport Gulls baseball game at Cardine's Field for Veterans on 15 July.

Other Business:

1. Board Member Mike Slein pointed out the importance of restarting SOQs, etc. for recognition. President Winneg will follow up and discuss with Navy Base commanding officer.
2. Presentation of Vietnam Recognition Pins following Board meeting. See below:

Motion adjourned at 1807.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, 1 JULY 2024, 1700, AT THE WYNDHAM.**

NAVY LEAGUE NEWPORT COUNTY PRESENTED VIETNAM RECOGNITION PINS TO BOARD MEMBERS WHO SERVED ANYTIME BETWEEN 1955 - 1975:

Mike Slein  
Len DiLorenzo  
Pat Burke  
Tony Cercena  
Walter Wasowski  
Roy Callahan  
Tom Feeney (for his deceased brother)