

Tampa Power Squadron
Executive Committee Meeting –30 August 2012
IHOP Restaurant, 11111 N. Dale Mabry Hwy, Tampa, FL

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Meeting was called to order by Cdr Anna Morris at 7:05 p.m. Absent were John Orr and Richard Holcomb. A quorum was present. Cdr Morris reserved the right to change the order of business to expedite the meeting. No objections.

Secretary -- P/D/C Alta M. Mullins, SN -- Alta thanked Richard Holcomb for taking minutes at the 26 July 2012 Executive Committee Meeting. Motions in the minutes of the 26 July 2012 Executive Committee Meeting were read. **Motion made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the 26 July 2012 Executive Committee Meeting as read and posted on the website.** Marcy Radloff provided Alta with the address of Charlie Laye's brother so appropriate memorials can be sent. Charity of choice by the family is the USPS Educational Fund. Alta will send the \$20.00 to the USPS Educational Fund, per our Standing Rules, and the \$40.00 for the family's charity of choice. Alta received an email from USPS Chairman, IT, advising our Tampa website has been recommended to receive the Distinctive Communicator Award for 2012. Alta reminded those present of merit mark data needed. Alta thanked all who offered prayers, sent cards, visited Ben, and gave good wishes via phone calls and emails after Ben's stroke last month and subsequent confinement to the rehabilitation center. Lt/C Scott Morris, P updated the status of the Tampa website and reviewed proposed changes to the website. **Motion made and seconded to have Scott proceed with the following: 1. Move the website to Network Solutions, 2. Proceed with the redesign of the website, and 3. Purchase tampaboating.org domain for \$60.00 and tie it to tampaps.org. Discussion. Motion passed.**

Treasurer – Lt/C Thomas C. Thompson, S -- The 2013 Change of Watch site rental was reduced. Treasurer's Report was distributed. Balance as of 30 August 2012 was \$1,612.73. Tom reported of income and expenses received tonight. Tom is researching getting new Tampa Squadron name tags, with the new 50-year anniversary burgee on them. Anna ordered the new 50-year anniversary burgees; they have arrived. See Tom if you want one; the cost is \$25.00 each.

Executive Officer – D/Lt/C George J. Martin, SN -- As the District 22 representative, George reported on a recent meeting he attended at Marine Max at International Plaza. Marine Max is a Brunswick dealer and their International Plaza location has a 24-person teaching area. They are interested in having a class every week and also seminars at their facility and would provide the funding to publicize the courses. Surrounding squadrons would also be participating. On-the-water boating training could be accomplished at the Clearwater Marine Max site. George advised that D/C Parrish planned a meeting at Detroit GB regarding Marine Max and the course possibilities. George suggested a coordinator be appointed, and George has volunteered to be the coordinator. George suggested Tampa Squadron get involved in teaching seminars at Marine Max and several members become certified to teach on-the-water training.

Educational Officer – Lt/C Scott Morris, P -- Scott has been contacting past students to get them into a Seamanship class and also into seminars. An October boating class at West Marine is being planned.

Administrative Officer -- Lt/C Angelina Stanley, S -- The Squadron annual Pizza Party has been confirmed at ABC Pizza House, 7512 W. Hillsborough on 11 October. The 2 December Holiday Party is confirmed at Picadilly Cafeteria on North Dale Mabry. The "Doing It Right" Membership Committee report is due in December. Questions on the report were reviewed.

Commander – Cdr Anna Morris, AP -- Anna will be attending the USPS Governing Board Meeting in Detroit, 4-9 September. Anna advised that P/C Lenox C. Stephens, AP passed away in June 2012. She provided the next of kin name and address and charity of choice. Alta will send the \$20.00 to the USPS Educational Fund and \$40.00 to Make-a-Wish Foundation in Len's memory. **Motion made, seconded, and passed to have a 50-year anniversary burgee be forwarded to Len's son, Lenox C. Stevens, III, since Len was a life member.** Anyone needing the password to DB2000 should contact Anna, since the password was changed due to recent issues with the passwords. Articles are **NOW** needed for the September issue of the Short Blast. Anna advised District 22 has asked the squadron commanders to poll their membership and get a "Yeah" or "Nay" vote as to whether District 22 should retain the active trophies or eliminate the active trophies and provide another form of award. Discussion. It was the concensus of those present to eliminate the active trophies. Anna asked if anyone had a subject they wanted to be brought up at the D/22 Fall Conference Commander's Meeting. Anna will contact the other D/22 Squadron commanders regarding the Cardboard Boat Race on 15 September at Picnic Island Park in Tampa. The Tampa Boat Show, 28-30 September at the Convention Center needs volunteers to man the booth. Due to the Detroit GB Meeting the first week of September, the September General Membership Meeting will be 13 September. Speaker will be Steve Barber from Gator Ford.

Unfinished Business: Tom and Linda searched several facilities for a Tampa Squadron home. Due to the prohibitive cost, it was the concensus of the Committee not to pursue searching for facilities any further.

New Business: A Veteran's Boat Show at Safety Harbor will be held 9-11 November 2012, across from the marina. We could possibly host a class there, although it is the same date as the D/22 Fall C&R. A questionnaire from USPS Hqtrs was discussed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

P/D/C Alta M. Mullins, SN, Secretary
Minutes read at General Membership Meeting on: _____
Minutes approved on: _____