

Tampa Power Squadron
Executive Committee Meeting – 30 October 2014
Panera Bread, 3420 W. Martin Luther King, Jr., Blvd., Tampa, FL

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Meeting was called to order by Commander, Thomas C. Thompson, P at 6:36 p.m. Absent was Scott Morris due to illness. A quorum was present. Seven members were present. Cdr Thompson reserved the right to change the order of business to expedite the meeting. No objections.

Cdr Tom asked Anna Morris to give the members present an update on Scott Morris's condition, since his recent hospitalization. Tom asked all to remember Scott with good wishes and prayers.

Secretary -- P/D/C Alta M. Mullins, SN -- Motions in the minutes of the 18 September 2014 Executive Committee Meeting were read. **Motion made by Richard Holcomb, seconded by Anna Morris, and passed to approve the minutes of the 18 September 2014 Executive Committee Meeting as read and posted on the website.** Per the Tampa Squadron Standing Rules, the following is the report of attendance of the Executive Committee members for Quarter 3, 2014 ending 30 September 2014. Perfect attendance for Quarter 3 (5 meetings and 1 Special Electronic Executive committee Meeting of 29 July 2014): Tom; 1 absence: Anna, Scott, Alta, Linda, Richard, George; 2 absences: John. All Executive Committee members replied to the 1 Special Electronic Executive Committee Meeting of 29 July 2014. A goody basket and get well card was delivered to Scott Morris due to his surgery in September. Alta phoned Squadron members to remind them of the ABC Pizza Party on 2 October 2014. There were 22 who attended, including the USPS Executive Officer, V/C Louis Ojeda, SN who presented P/C Roger Champagne, JN with his 50-year 'Membership in USPS' plaque. Alta sent a congratulations card from the Squadron, to Roger. The Annual Meeting for 2015 will be 8 January 2015 at IHOP by the Airport and Alta has reserved the room for the meeting at IHOP. Due to Scott Morris's recent hospitalization, the 18 October 2014 Cardboard Boat Race was postponed. Alta called all the members of Tampa Squadron and guests from visiting squadrons, advising them of the postponement. Alta advised that the merit marks for 2014 were submitted to Cdr Tom who subsequently approved them, and Alta has submitted the merit marks to the Merit Mark Monitor, V/C James A. Stewart, SN. Tom distributed a copy of the merit marks to each member present. Alta advised she will be out-of-town on the 6 November 2014 General Membership Meeting. **Motion made by Alta Mullins, seconded by Anna Morris, to move the 6 November General Membership Meeting to Thursday, 13 November 2014. Discussion. Motion passed.** Alta will mail a notice of the change of date of the meeting to the membership tomorrow.

Educational Officer – Lt/C Scott Morris, P -- Due to Scott's hospitalization, Asst SEO, Alta Mullins advised she had contacted West Marine to advise of the cancellation of the 25 October 2014 ABC Boating Course. Cdr Tom had also contacted West Marine. Tom had emailed National that the class was cancelled; however, he received no reply. Alta contacted P/V/C Spencer Anderson, SN to get a name of who she could contact to get the names and information of the individuals who had registered for the class. Spencer gave Alta Pat Grier's phone number. Alta called and Pat was able to get the names, phone numbers, and email addresses of the five registered students from Pat which she emailed to Alta. Pat also deleted the class so no other students could register for it. Alta subsequently called each of the five individuals to advise them of the cancellation due to the instructor's illness. One student asked for a contact for Clearwater and St. Petersburg squadrons, which Alta provided to him.

Treasurer – Lt/C Linda C. Thompson, S -- Linda distributed the Treasurer's report. The balance in checking as of 30 October 2014 is \$1,872.72. Linda advised she had contacted the City of Tampa Recreation Department and due to the postponement of the 18 October 2014 Cardboard Boat Race, the City will transfer the shelter fee to our new date, when the new date is determined. Richard Holcomb, our financial adviser, reported the balance in the mutual fund savings account is \$49,653.37.

Administrative Officer – Vacant -- No report.

Executive Officer – Lt/C Anna Morris, JN -- Due to Scott's illness, Anna has remained at his side, and therefore had no report, except to advise of the D/22 C&R at Little Harbor in Ruskin, 7 – 10 November 2014. Anna and Scott had made reservations to attend; however, those reservations have been cancelled.

P/C John A. Orr, III, Chairman, Nominating Committee reported he had prepared the slate of officers for Tampa Squadron for 2015 and submitted it to Alta Mullins, Secretary, for distribution to the membership. Alta has prepared the notification and it will be mailed to the membership tomorrow along with a notification of the date and site of the Annual Meeting, 8 January 2015, IHOP, 4920 W. Spruce Street, Tampa, FL in lieu of publishing the slate in the *Short Blast*. Alta distributed the notification to the members present at the meeting to save postage cost for the six members present.

Commander – Cdr Thomas C. Thompson, P -- Tom advised he and Linda had met with Monica Shipman, who is in the Tampa Police Athletic League (TPAL). Monica had completed a poster which was entered in the District 22 USPS Youth Poster Contest at the D/22 Fall Conference. Monica received second place in her age group at District 22 and won \$30.00 from District, and first place from Tampa Squadron, for which she received \$50.00.

Old Business: None

New Business: Tom has reserved the Fraternal Order of Police, Lodge # 27 for the 2015 Change of Watch on 10 January 2015. Discussion on the food for the Change of Watch. It was the consensus of the members present to have Holy Smokes cater the event as was done last year. Tom will acquire a speaker for the 13 November 2014 General Membership Meeting at IHOP, located at 4920 W. Spruce Street, near the Airport.

There being no further business, Cdr Thompson adjourned the meeting at 7:18 p.m.

P/D/C Alta M. Mullins, SN, Secretary

Minutes read at General Membership Meeting on: _____

Minutes approved on: _____