MINUTES BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Navy League of the United States – Newport County Council Mainstay Best Western Inn Newport, RI 02840

> Chair: Anne Huot Monday, 3 March 2014

Attendance

Pat BurkeShirley HillGeorge WardwellLen DiLorenzoRobert PerfettoEdna WardwellTom FeeneyRay PerryWalt Wasowski

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to order at 4:07PM at the Best Western Mainstay. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

MAIL CALL: Thank you note from Ed McGrath's family, Letter from Chamber of Commerce regarding grant application-to be submitted by 14 March. Board discussed amount to request (\$2500) and how to use the funds. Condolence card to be sent to Thomas Wilson's family.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS:

<u>PRESIDENT'S REMARKS</u>: Change Nominating Committee to Ad Hoc. Members: Len DiLorenzo (Chair), Edna Wardwell, George Wardwell and Robert Perfetto.

<u>NEWPORT COUNCIL ACTIVITIES:</u> The council was represented in February at following Change of

Command, Events, Receptions and Graduations:

SEA Class 178 Graduation 13 Feb OCS Hi-Mom Reception 20 Feb SWOS DH Graduation 20 Feb USCG Member of Quarter 28 Feb

REPORTS:

Secretary's Report (Shirley Hill) – Minutes distributed and approved.

Treasurer's Report (Pat Burke): Pat distributed and approved.

<u>Membership Report (Edna Wardwell/George Wardwell)</u> – Membership as of today 340 from 339 last month. George sent emails to expired members-received three positive responses.

<u>Sea Cadets Report</u> – (George Wardwell) –Received \$100 donation from ADM Weschler for Sea Cadets.

Reminded of Sea Cadet Ball 8March. NETC Unit having open house15 March. Tom Feeney spoke with Captain Bailey regarding Sea Cadet involvement with Oliver Hazard Perry . Captain Bailey's response was positive regarding Sea Cadets involvement.

Council Legislative Report –(Mike Slein): None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Council Web Page (Walt Wasowski/Suresh Ramamurthy): Working with Salve Regina students as possible means of developing a website not an option. Council President proposed a professional to get site up and running(Cost approximately \$1000).

Strategy Meeting: Report of meeting held 11 January at the Mainstay distributed to members. Follow-upmeeting scheduled for 22 March at 9:30AM (Breakfast at 8:30AM for those interested).

<u>Military Appreciation Annual Dinner</u> – Pat Burke – working to get RADM David Duryea, Commander, Naval Undersea Warfare Center for speaker. Tom Feeney recommended RADM Surface Warfare as possible back up. ABC has been contacted for possible date in July. <u>USCG /Naval Complex Persons of the Year</u> – Tentative date for Navy set for 12 August, still waiting on nominees. Need to clear with Middletown & Portsmouth Rotaries. USCG nominees in, possible date late May or early June.

2014 Budget Approval: Budget approved by board.

<u>Choristers Fundraiser (Anne Huot/Tom Feeney)</u> - Approved by the Choristers and scheduled for 13 May, 7:30PM at St. Lucy's. Pat Burke volunteered for Program. Anne to work on AD solicitations. Need volunteers for administration and ticket sales. Motion made and approved for \$2000for expenses. Len volunteered to take care of wine and refreshments.

NEW BUSINESS:

Naval Station Briefing: Possible date in late fall.

AREA/REGIONAL PRESIDENTS/NATIONAL DIRECTORS REMARKS:

OTHER BUSINESS:

ADJOUNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 6:05PM.

Anne Huot, President presiding Shirley Hill, Secretary