## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING Minutes**

## Navy League of the United States – Newport County Council Onboard USS Massachusetts Fall River, MA.

## <u>President: Michael Slein</u> Monday, 29 June 2009 – July Board Meeting

## Attendees:

Arnold, Vince Burke, Pat Callahan, Roy Carillo, Dave Cercena, Tony DiLorenzo, Len Hill, Shirley Huot, Anne Humphries, Keith Johnson, Arne Knowland, Roger RADM O'Sullivan, Mike Shaw, Eric Slein, Mike Wardwell, George Webb, Ed Wasowski, Walt

- A. Call to Order: Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- B. President's Remarks:

a. Mike extended thanks to our member and Community Affiliate USS MASSACHUTTES, Jack Casey and Dave Keyes for allowing us to hold our board meeting on this great ship.

b. June was graduation month. Shirley handed out National NLUS leadership awards at NWC graduation 19 June. Keynote was Rep. Ike Skelton, Chair House Armed Services Committee.

c. Thanks were given to Mike O'Sullivan, Len and Eric for stepping up and attending OCS/ODS graduations in June.

d. Mike discussed the Military Appreciation Night and Annual Dinner – Tuesday, 28 July, at the Atlantic Beach Club. VADM McCoy is looking forward to speaking and has no competing events. He is staying in the Flag Quarters next to the Officer's Club on base. The civilian invitations have been mailed as well as the Military invitations. Sixty people have sent a RSVP to date and approximately \$2500.00 has been received. Dinner planning meetings are today and at the Mainstay Inn on 6, 13, and 20 July with a dry run 27 July. Anne/Al Naninni will need the Board to contact call tree participants.

e. The Newport County Council Newsletter has been mailed. Thanks again to Shirley for some fine work and all her leadership.

f. George Wardwell has been nominated to replace Shirley at the end of 2009 as Navy League New England Region President.

g. Navy Safe Harbor Command. Mike met with leader Safe Harbor Command leader HMCS (FMF) Kimberly Ripoli. She will be in continual liaison with us. HMCS Ripoli was also the coordinator for Military Paralympics, ongoing at NAVSTA through tomorrow. Mike supported this event and said it was one of the most rewarding things he has ever done...

- **a.** Secretary's Report Pat Burke –distributed.
- **b.** Treasurer's Report Walt stated the treasury is in good shape. A Certificate of Deposit has matured and will be renewed.
- c. Membership Report. Anne Huot. ASFT has renewed their community affiliate membership.
- **d.** Sea Cadets Report George stated the intention to distribute \$900.00 in matching funds to the three units. Board OK'd motion earlier. George also thanked the Board again for funding the Pawsox tickets for the Sea Cadets (over 30 Sea Cadets participated in the event).
- C. New Business:
  - **a.** Mike brought up the idea of hosting future events on USS Massachusetts. Some ideas were hosting a reception for the Sea Cadets and their families and a "Welcome New Members" reception.
  - **b.** The USS JUNIPER Change of Command will be held on Friday, 31 July at 1000 Board Members are invited. Reception on the Pier. Mike requested that any Board members who want to go to please contact him.
  - **c.** Friends of the USS RHODE ISLAND Reception on 5 July at 1800. -Intend to provide crew with four CNO reading List Books.
  - d. The Newport Council will sponsor the NAVSTA Community Update by the Commanding Officer.
  - e. Naval Staff College Picnic: Mike stated that Soda/Water is needs as well as volunteers; In addition the U.S. Coast Guard Birthday Event also needs soda/water and volunteers. Mike requested that you give your name to Eric for Greenvale and Len for picnic. <u>These are two of the most appreciated events that we do.</u>
  - f. NUWC 140<sup>th</sup> Reunion-Tent-Refreshments 29 July 1700-1900-All Navy League members are invited. Chamber is inviting all members. Submarine tours are potential. The Navy League was asked to solicit caterers (Gov't cannot). There is a possibility of a submarine at being at Pier TWO. Anne: Fine venue for Membership table. Motion to sponsor soda/water (\$70.00) was approved.
  - g. Motion to have Sep Board Meeting 31 August vs. 14 September was approved. (Labor Day 7 Sep)
- D. Upcoming Events:

JUNE		
Paralympics -NAVSTA	27-30 Jun	Volunteers
Board Meeting – USS Massachusetts Wardroom	29 Jun 1600	All
Mil Appreciation Night Plan Meeting	29 Jun 1700	Committee
Senior Enlisted of the Year Pizza – Chiefs Club	30 Jun 1600	All
JULY		
SWOS DH 202 Graduation-Weakly Auditorium	1 Jul 1000	Mike S.
USCGS Castle Hill CoC (CWO Galvin)	1 Jul 1100	Invitees
Independence Day	4 July	
Friends of USS RI Reception/Dinner-O'Club	5 Jul 1815	All
SEA Class 146 Graduation dinner	9 Jul 1700	Mike S.
OCS 21-09 Graduation Dinner	9 Jul 1730	TBD (Walt)
NETC Sea Cadet Graduation –Battleship Cove	11 Jul 1100	All
Mil Appreciation Night Planning MtgMainstay	13 Jul 1600	Anne/Committees
OCS 22-09 Graduation Dinner	16 Jul 1700	Mike S.

USCGC Ida Lewis CoC (CWO 4 Tribou)	17 Jul 1000	Invitees
NETC Sea Cadet Graduation-Battleship Cove	18 Jul 1100	All
MilAppreciation Night Plan Meeting	20 Jul 1600	Anne/Committees
ODS Graduation-Drill Field	24 Jul 1100	Len D.
NETC Sea Cadet Graduation-Battleship Cove	25 Jul 1100	All
Submarine Visit Pier TWO - Tours	27-29 Jul	Invitees
Mil Appreciation Night Dry Run-ABC	27 Jul PM	Anne/Committees
Military Appreciation Night-Atlantic Beach Club	28 Jul 1730	All
	29 Jul 1700-	
NUWC 140th <sup>th</sup> Reunion –Tent NUWC	1900	All
OCS 23-09 Graduation Dinner	30 Jul 1730	Pat B.
USCGC Juniper CoC –Pier TWO	31 Jul 1000	Board
AUGUST		
Board Meeting Mainstay Inn	3 August 1600	
OCS 24-0-9 Graduation Dinner	6 Aug 1700	Mike S.
	7 Aug	
NSC Picnic – Glenn Park	1200	All
	7 Aug	
Coast Guard birthday Picnic-Greenvale	1700	All
ODS Graduation	14 Aug 1100	Mike O'Sullivan
OCS 25-0-9 Graduation	20 Aug 1700	Mike S.
OCS 26-0-9 Graduation	27 Aug 1700	Mike S.
Sep. Board Meeting –Mainstay Inn	31 Aug 1600	All
SEPTEMBER		
Labor Day	7 September	
USS Providence Reception-Providence	19 Sep TBD	
NCC Welcome Picnic-Glen Park	24 Sep 1200	Eric et All

- E. Old Business:
  - a. Require Committee to review/update by-laws.
  - **b.** Budget Committee: Require annual audit. (Walt). Al N. is on the committee.
  - c. USS PROVIDENCE Reception/Waterfire 19 Sep.
- F. Area/Regional Presidents/National Directors
- G. Other Business: George and Shirley made a trip to the Mass. Maritime Academy. They presented a letter of recognition to Ensign Ryan Miller who was formally a member of the Falcon Sea Cadet Unit.
- H. Adjournment: Our next meeting is scheduled to be conducted at the Best Western Mainstay Inn on Monday, 3 August at 1600.