

BOARD OF DIRECTORS VIRTUAL MEETING  
NAVY LEAGUE OF THE UNITED STATES – NEWPORT COUNCIL  
8 JUNE 2020

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

Meeting called to order by President Mike Slein at 1700.

Mail call – None

Late breaking News: Newport Council selected as “Meritorious Council” for 2019-thanks to the Board.

Reports:

1. Secretary – Minutes of 2 March were distributed and approved.
2. Treasurer – (March, April and May) – Distributed by Walt Wasowski and reviewed by Board. Motion to accept as published by Len DiLorenzo and seconded by Pat Burke.
3. Membership – Walt will send out a new member roster. Noted that Capt. (ret.) Stanley Carpenter has renewed his lapsed membership and may be interested in joining the Board. President Slein to follow up with him.

Old (on-going) Business

Detailed review of Council notes (previously distributed) by President Slein presented to Board. Discussion by Board of planned activity cancellations due to the COVID-19 pandemic until further notice hopefully in October. This included the Naval War College (NSC/NCC) reduction in size and noted that families may not accompany the international students. Our Navy League welcome picnic for the students will not be held. Possibly a welcome luncheon in January/February could be scheduled for the students (Mike Slein/Rob Winneg).

Naval Station Newport cancelled all public attendance at graduations (OCS Hi-Mom) receptions, NAPS, SWOS, SEA, Naval Supply Corps, and SOQ Awards on board the Coast Guard Cutters and Coast Guard Station. All large gatherings and moves cancelled through 30 June. The Navy League Newport Council has continued to deliver plaques (total of 6 as reported by Pat Burke), Navy League Challenge coins, and monetary gifts.

Military Appreciation Dinner and Annual Meeting – cancelled for May. Possibly reschedule in the Fall. Admiral White will check with RADM Chatfield for an open date and her availability.

Coast Guard Birthday celebration – date to be determined. Board Member Tom Feeney will reach out to HQ SENE for their thoughts on having a picnic.

Polo sponsorship fundraiser scheduled for 2 August cancelled as recommended by Board Member Rich Rainer due to seating restrictions. President Slein concurred.

Community Affiliates (CA) ceremonies postponed. May do Windham Hotel Newport/Atlantic Resort at July Board meeting

Reimbursement for Council memberships (2018/2019) received from Navy League National.

Coast Guard Sailors of the Quarter (SOQ) – President Slein will follow up with Station Castle Hill and the three local Cutters to ascertain when we may re-commence presentations.

#### Other Business

Discussion ensued about presenting Sailor of Quarter at NUWC. Will re-engage NUWC Newport CO when gates open up.

Engraved pewter plate and a gift card to be presented to Lisa Rama, Public Affairs Officer, Naval Station Newport, at a small Navy League gathering. Lisa is transferring to a Naval CB Facility in Naples, Italy. Motion made by Pat Burke and seconded by Tom Feeney. Passed.

Farewell gift to be purchased by President Slein for Capt. Nicholson and his wife Joannie (July 10 Change of Command).

#### NEW BUSINESS

New Community Affiliate (CA) – Contractor to War College - Admiral White will take for action.

Reinstitute SOQ for NUWC.

Newport Chamber of Commerce – mentoring/supportive. President Slein will contact Erin Donovan.

Event SCHEDULE: TBD

**NEXT BOARD MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR 6 JULY 2020, 1700, AT THE ATLANTIC RESORT.**

Meeting adjourned at 1755.