

MINUTES
HRANA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

7 DECEMBER 2011

1. The meeting was called to order by HRANA Commanding Officer, Jim Joyner, at 1805 at the NAS Oceana Officer's Club. Board members present were Kent Von Fecht, Fred Metz, Judy Ready, Jim Dobberteen, Doug Williams, Maury Unger, Troy Snead, Carroll Bains, Brian Abbott and John Allen. Board member Rob Wedertz was absent. Ron Stoops was also present.
2. Secretary's Report: Motion was made and seconded that the November board minutes be approved as written. Minutes are available on the HRANA web site.
3. Treasurer's Report: Jim Dobberteen presented the squadron Statement of Financial Position as of November 30, 2011. Jim also presented the proposed budget for 2012. All board members are to review the proposal and provide comments at the next board meeting. Proposed expenditures exceed estimated income so board members are to look for ways to close the delta. The board has reviewed the 2010 tax return. So far, nearly 14% of our members have answered the call for donations to the squadron treasury. Donations were also received from two other organizations and one local business contributed by providing the funding for printing and mailing the letters to members who were not contacted by email. Squadron financial reports are available to members for viewing upon request.
4. Membership Report: Doug Williams presented the membership report current as of November 2011. The squadron currently lists 45 Charter Members, 234 Life Members, 307 Regular Annual Members, 3 Husband and Wife Joint Memberships, 1 Organizational Membership and 3 Corporate Members for a total of 593 active members. His report also included the names of two new members who joined during November.
5. Plans and Programs: Judy discussed the remaining 2011 events.
 - a. Flight suit social summary – Kent reported that sixty-six people enjoyed a great evening at the LSO School. We finished in the black and the extra proceeds will be applied toward paying for the band at the Christmas Party. Many thanks to CDR. Wedertz and his crew for hosting this event.
 - b. December – Christmas Party – The Christmas party will be held at The Renaissance Room, 324 North Great Neck Road, Virginia Beach on Friday 16 December. Flyer is out and two reminders have been sent. Music will be provided by the Beachnuts. Cost will be \$55 per person.
 - c. Judy will begin planning the 2012 social calendar.

- d. Two ladies have offered to maintain a call list for notifying and reminding members of upcoming events. This matter is still under discussion due to a concern for privacy issues.
6. December Luncheon: There will be no luncheon in December. The next luncheon will be Wednesday January 18th, 1130 at the Dam Neck Annex Shifting Sands Club, Fireside Room. Speaker will be Martin Paulaitis from ARINC who will speak about Navy Unmanned Combat Air Systems.
7. PAO Report: Troy has forwarded photos and stories to Wings of Gold concerning the November luncheon and patching ceremony.
8. Monument Report: The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for turning the monument over to the city is being drafted by the city. HRANA will get a chop on the draft. The main sticking point regarding who has a say in what goes on at the site has been agreed upon. Proof will be in the draft when complete and reviewed by all parties. The City will take over control and assume liability for the monument. There will be a Standing Committee to control use of the facility and HRANA will have a member on that committee. HRANA will retain responsibility for maintenance of the statues and storyboards. All plaques are currently up-to-date. Carroll reported that there are a maximum of 19 \$1,000 spaces left on the board. The camera is currently broken and Carroll is working with the contractor to get it repaired.
9. Charity Committee: Committee Chairman Ron Stoops gave each board member a ballot with instructions to vote for four of the five charities listed. The money being distributed is the golf tournament proceeds and each of the four candidates will receive one fourth of the proceeds. The charities selected are Mercy Medical Airlift, Virginia Beach NJROTC Program – Salem High School, Association of Naval Aviation Headquarters and the Naval Aviation Museum Foundation.
10. Old Business:
 - a. Liability Insurance – Jim Dobberteen reported that since the City has assumed liability for the monument, there is no longer a need for squadron liability insurance.
 - b. Homecoming Fly-In Support – Fred reported that each Fly-In will cost approximately \$600 and recommended that HRANA provide \$300 with the other \$300 coming from Chamber of Commerce contributors. The board agreed.
11. New Business:
 - a. Tomcat Brick Applications – Kent reported that the initial stock of

applications is exhausted and that he has restocked the box. Unfortunately the applications are not making their way back to HRANA filled out and with the required \$100 donation. Bruce Doyle had suggested an article in Wings Of Gold to inform people that HRANA now handles the brick orders. Kent will contact Dave Parsons who once volunteered to prepare an article and see if he is still willing to provide it. Troy will see that the article gets to Wings of Gold.

- b. Boy Scout Grounds Keeping Support for POW/MIA Memorial: Kent received an offer from a Boy Scout Troop to provide some grounds keeping support for the memorial. This offer came via the base PAO Officer. Chris Vatis is the Committee Chairman for the memorial and Kent will pass the information to him.

12. C.O./X.O. Comments: None.

13. Hot Wash Up... None

14. Next Meeting...Wednesday January 11, 2011, 1800 at the NAS Oceana Officer's Club. The meeting may be held the 4th if the club decides to open that week.

15. The meeting adjourned at 1910