

USS Frank Knox Reunion Association
Business Meeting of the General Membership
September 22, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am PST

Pledge of Allegiance

Directors present were Harry Chandler, Steve Cross, Vaughan Kruger, Mike and Margaret Watson, and Robert Woodard

Committee members present were Bill Atkinson, Jim & Sue Healy, Tom Soltis, and Brion Sellinger

Members present were Mike Halowski, Richard Huehn, Lionel Price, Joe Demsky, Gary Rusch, Don Snider, Russell Judah, Don Greer, Ray Howell, Jon Osborne, Ed Kent, Don Critz, Don Landers, Suzanne McClanahan, Yung-Mei Michaelson, and Larry Porter.

Others presents were Joy Chandler, Coral Woodard, Betty Porter, Nancy Critz, Betsy, Lolita Snider, and Don Snider, Jr.

Election of Officers 2019 - All current board members have volunteered to remain serving. The membership ratified the board for 2019. The board proposed to expand and add an additional Director, VP – At Large. Nominations/volunteers were taken. Vote was cast with Bill Atkinson being added to the Board.

Financial Report: Margaret Watson reported the association is in good financial shape. This reunion is expected to break even. Margaret reminded the members to please make all checks payable to Margaret Watson, with USS Frank Knox Reunion Association in the memo line. There was some discussion as to what a prudent amount was to maintain in the bank account; what is too low or too high. It was agreed the current balance is sufficient to cover advances for reunion deposits and not leave the association balance to low. Major expenses of the association are the website and mailing costs for newsletters, rosters, etc. A suggestion was made to check into bulk mailing. The association is exploring e-mail options. Currently many members are accepting e-mail PDF delivery of the roster. Only paid members receive a copy of the roster, either mail or e-mail.

By-Laws: The current by-laws have been revised and will be posted on the web-site for member review. Any questions or objections should be submitted by December 15, 2018. The by-laws will be amended effective December 31, 2018.

Mt. Soledad Plaque: Mt. Soledad is designated a National & Veteran Memorial site. Steve presented a large proof of the Mt. Soledad plaque. The cost of the plaque is \$1,800, which the association paid. Donations opportunities will be presented on the website and in the reunion wrap-up newsletter. Steve reminded the members the plaque is in keeping with our mission statement.

Selection of 2019 Reunion Location: Harry pointed out our by-laws state a recommended guideline for reunion locations is East Coast, West Coast, Central USA; thus, 2019 will be West Coast. Steve Cross gave a presentation on San Diego, pointing out it is a good opportunity to have a dedication ceremony for the plaque at Mt. Soledad. There were no other suggestions. Vote was unanimous for San Diego

Miscellaneous: Harry gave a pitch for the raffle for 5 nights at the hotel. As re-union coordinator, Vaughan is entitled to a complimentary stay provided by the hotel. He graciously donated his room to the raffle. Bill Atkinson donated the welcome totes.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:25 am.