

USS Frank Knox DDR-742 Reunion Association

Annual Business Meeting Minutes

Friday, September 23, 2022
9:30 am

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Harry Chandler at 9:30 am. Board members present were Bill Atkinson, Harry Chandler, Steve Cross, Don Greer, Don Landers, Tom Soltis, Mike Watson, and Margaret Watson. Committee member present: Joy Chandler. Members present were Carol Cross, Kelly Goddard, Michael Haloski, Yung-Mei Haloski, Phil Jenkins, Suzanne McClanahan, Brian Sellinger, Don Snider, Richard Swaney, “Woody” Woodard, Coral Woodard, Don Yegge, and Rebecca Yegge. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Harry Chandler, followed by the President’s Message.

Harry thanked the Board and Committee Members for their hard work during this difficult year. A heartfelt thank you went out to all members for their support and contributions to the reunion association.

2. Membership: Mike Haloski inquired as to the number of Active Memberships vs Life Memberships.

72 Living Life Memberships
33 Active Memberships
6 Associate Life Memberships
9 Associate Memberships

3. Prior to the Election of Officers, Harry Chandler announced:

Bill Atkinson resigned as board member and Reunion Coordinator. The board would like to acknowledge Bill for his years of service to the association. We will appreciate his continued input and membership.

All board members volunteered to remain in their current positions for the 2023 year.

4. Election/Confirmation of Officers 2022 Reunion Year

The floor was open to nominations and/or volunteers to run for the 2023 Board of Directors.

The 2023 Board of Directors are:

Harry Chandler
Steve Cross
Don Greer
Don Landers
Tom Soltis
Mike/Margaret Watson

Committee Members:

Vaughan Kruger
Joy Chandler
Sue Healy

Per the By-Laws committee members may offer advice and opinion, and may participate in discussion of matters before the board. Only Board Members may cast votes on board business. All dues-paying members and life members are entitled to vote on matters before the membership.

5. Financial Report – Margaret Watson

Margaret reported the association is in good shape financially and thanked members for their support through dues and donations throughout the year.

6. Discussion – Possible sites for 2023 – West Coast Region - There are currently three sites for consideration:

- Alaska Cruise
- Denver, Colorado
- Salt Lake City, Utah

By vote using the ranked choice method:

Alaska Cruise:	13 - 1 st , 1 - 2 nd , 1 - no
Denver/Colorado Springs	1 - 1 st , 7 - 2 nd , 5 - 3 rd , 1 no
Salt Lake City	1 - 1 st , 6 - 2 nd , 6 - 3 rd , 1 no

An Alaskan Cruise was confirmed as the 2023 Reunion site.

7. Discussion – Possible site for 2024 – Central Region (North and South)

Steve Cross brought our attention to the fact the 80th Anniversary of the ship's commissioning is in 2024 and welcome ideas for this celebration. A suggestion was made to think about Texas (Austin, San Antonio, etc). Fredericksburg is home of the National Museum of the Pacific War. We could consider donating a plaque.

8. Adjournment: 10:15 am

Short Break

White Elephant Auction