

## **Navy League of the United States, Sarasota-Manatee Council Board of Directors Meeting**

Board of Directors met Monday, May 18, 2015, in the Selby Public Library Conference Room, Sarasota, FL.

In attendance were: Tim Rocklein, Jerry St. Germain, Roger Betts, Dennis Turner, Steve Bartek, Alex Morris, June Moore, Andy Anderson, Pete Ross and Nel Rocklein.

Council President Tim Rocklein called the meeting to order at 1:00pm.

Minutes of the Board meeting held April 13, 2015 were approved.

**Communications:** Jerry reminded that the NL National Convention is next month in Tampa. New National officers and directors will be elected and changes to Bylaws considered. Roger provided info on sessions scheduled and encouraged membership attendance

**Membership:** June thinks we have 161 members currently. Still hasn't any new info from HQ on status of our members/renewals. Jerry has more current info that he will share with June

**Finance/Endowment:** Jerry emailed financial report to Board. (Copy attached to original.)

**Legislative Affairs:** Pete says DOD budget still being discussed in DC. Appears there will be increase in budget. CNO has outlined 10 new initiatives, most involving increase in percentage of women in Navy.

**Anchor Line:** Roger reported info on summer July & August luncheons should be available next week. He will give info to Jerry to make flyers and distribute. Roger posed question about whether we really need to publish hard copy Anchor Line since it costs so much. He is going to work on samples of newsletters using self-publishing program that could be primarily sent by email and would cut costs considerably. He will work on them and have them ready for discussion at later meeting.

**Youth Programs:** Steve extended thanks for JROTC awards ceremony/luncheon. He and MC will be gone for several weeks in early summer and then begin summer training for unit. They will be very busy.

**Adopted USCG units:** Jerry reported USCGC Crocodile's Change of Command is now scheduled for June 26. An invitation should be coming soon and Tim will get info out to all Board members.

**Sea Cadets:** Dennis is officially the new Maritime Eagles CO now. He is still working on final turnover, but hopes to have everything completed soon.

**USCGS Cortez Cookout:** A cookout luncheon for Cortez crewmembers and interested NL members is planned for Wednesday, May 20. Tim encouraged all to attend. Please let him know if you plan to attend so he can get a count for food.

**Maritime Day:** Tim will again be making brief comments during the Port Manatee Maritime Day program. Program will start at 10am on May 22 at the Port.

**Memorial Day Float:** The Sarasota Memorial Day parade is Monday, May 25. Please be there NLT 9:30 if you plan to ride in the parade.

**Appointee Recognition Luncheon:** We will recognize maritime academy appointees and ROTC scholarship selectees at a luncheon on June 3 at Sara Bay Country Club. Please plan to attend.

**Council Award:** Our council will be presented the National Navy League Meritorious Award at the Convention in Tampa.

**Conflict of Interest:** A Conflict of Interest bare-bones statement was approved by Board via email last week and has been submitted to FL Dept of Agriculture as part of our annual report. Alex is working on a more in-depth policy and will propose a bylaw change to incorporate it into the bylaws.

**Golf Tournament:** The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Earl Fowler Golf Tournament will be Wednesday, Nov 11 at Heritage Oaks.

**Spirit of 45:** Marty submitted a report on Spirit of 45 plans by email. (Copy attached to original.)

Meeting adjourned: 2:15 pm.

Next Board meeting will be Monday, June 15, 2015 in Selby Library conference room.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nel Rocklein, Secretary