



Sculpin Base, USSVI Meeting Minutes 20 AUG 2022

In Attendance:

Ellis Dale (Moe) Moses, Base CDR
Rick Hutchison, Vice CDR
Bret Cortright, Secretary/Treasurer
Dennis (Mose) Mosebey, COB
Monte Schmidt, Chaplain
Steve Alfrey
Don Garbe
Mike Meinhardt
Richard Piezuch
Rocky Rockers
Chuck Sibley
Ross Thomas
Doug Feldhousen*
James McCourt*
Colleen Moses
Faye Schmidt
Joyce Meinhardt

*Guest

The meeting was held on 20 AUG 2022 at the First Baptist Church, Burlington, KS

At 1225 hours, the meeting was called to order by Base CDR Moses. Klaxon sounded by COB Mosebey

Invocation by Base Chaplain Schmidt

Pledge of Allegiance by Vice CDR Hutchison

USSVI Creed by Vice CDR Hutchison

Reading and Bell Tolling of “Lost Boats” conducted by COB Mosebey.

Introductions by CDR Moses all members introduced themselves.

Binnacle List: Robert Emery and Al Ackerman

Previous Meeting Minutes:

Motion made by Dennis Mosebey to accept minutes of previous meeting as submitted electronically prior to the meeting, seconded by Monte Schmidt. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer’s Report:

Treasurer’s Report was submitted electronically prior to the meeting. Base Treasurer Cortright recommended an audit of the base account be done in accordance with Section 14 of the Base Financial Policy & Procedure Manual. After discussion, it was decided an audit will be conducted at the November meeting. CDR Moses appointed Vice CDR Hutchison and Chaplain Schmidt to conduct.

Committee Reports:

Kaps4Kids – No Report as Chair Bill Haug was not present.

Eagle Scout – CDR Moses will check with Robert Emery to see if there are any certificates in stock.

Storekeeper – CDR Moses advised he has spoken with the “Vest Lady” for obtaining Sculpin Base caps. Quote is \$15.00 per cap or \$14.00 per cap if ordering 20 or more. It was decided that the caps will read “US Submarine Veteran” although CDR Moses will check with the “Vest Lady” if some of the order can read “US Submarine Service” for associate members. A motion to order 20 caps was made by COB Mosebey and seconded by Vice CDR Hutchison. Motion carried unanimously. CDR Moses will place the order.

Website – SculpinBase.Org – Vice CDR Hutchison reports that Dr. Rusty Meigs of Ottawa University has been enlisted to assist with the website. Proposed putting communications (emails) from USSVI National Office on the website for review as opposed to sending out blanket emails. CDR Moses tabled the proposal at this time pending further discussion.

Membership – Welcome to new member Ross Thomas

Nominating Committee – Dennis Mosebey reported that the current officers have all agreed to stand for reelection. There are no other nominations at this time. Floor nominations can be made when election is conducted later in this meeting.

Unfinished Business:

Memorial Bench – Steve Alfrey provided a quote from Lardner Monuments of Topeka. A granite, four foot pedestal is total cost of \$2,892.48. An additional \$150.00 to add

the Submarine Veteran emblem. Steve also advised that authorization has been received to place a Submarine Bench at Gage Park (10th & Gage) in Topeka. Chaplain Monte Schmidt advised he's been in discussion with the City of Burlington and has obtained tentative approval for placement of a bench in the Veterans Park (4th & Neosho) in Burlington. Approval must also be obtained by the VFW. Benches currently in use throughout Burlington are constructed of recycled plastic. Cost for a bench with engraving would be under \$1,000.00. COB Dennis Mosebey reviewed the information he had previously submitted at the May meeting. Further discussion on this issue to include Fund Raising must be done. COB Mosebey made a motion to table at this time, Mike Meinhardt seconded, passed unanimously.

Parades – Old Shawnee Days Parade was held on June 6th, CDR Moses and Secretary/Treasurer Cortright participated. CDR Moses and COB Mosebey participated in the Oskaloosa Old Settler's Parade and Chaplain Schmidt and Ed Taylor participated in the Burlington Parade. By a show of hands, there is no interest in the Olathe Old Settlers Parade. Sculpin Base will participate in the Nov 11 Veteran's Day Parade in Emporia, The Emporia Christmas Parade on Nov 29 and The Burlington Christmas Parade on Dec 10.

New Business:

Base Election: All sitting officers will stand for reelection. It was explained to the membership that the position(s) of Secretary and Treasurer are two separate positions and can be held by two people respectively and that they are the only elected positions that can be held by associate members.

Nominations from the floor for the office of Secretary and/or Treasurer, there were none. Motion by COB Mosebey to reelect Bret Cortright to the positions of Secretary and Treasurer, Second by Ross Thomas, motion carried unanimously.

Nominations from the floor for the office of Vice Commander, there were none. Motion by Steve Alfrey to reelect Rick Hutchison to the position of Vice Commander, second by COB Mosebey, motion carried unanimously.

Nominations from the floor for the office of Base Commander, there were none. Motion by COB Mosebey to reelect Ellis D. (Moe) Moses to the position of Base Commander, seconded by Chaplain Schmidt, motion carried unanimously.

Appointments by CDR Moses for the positions of COB and Chaplain, Dennis Mosebey to continue as COB and Monte Schmidt to continue as Chaplain.

Good of the Order/Crew:

Mike Meinhardt brought up for discussion an email sent to the Sculpin Base by member Dr. Harold (Tad) Laurence suggesting the Base Logo be changed by making the background Black as opposed to White. Since the email was received this morning (08/20/22), CDR Moses suggested tabling the discussion until the November meeting to ensure all base members have an opportunity to review the proposal.

Sea Stories were provided by Rocky Rockers and Faye Schmidt.

CDR Moses presented "ATTA BOY" patches to COB Mosebey and Secretary/Treasurer Cortright for work done for Sculpin Base.

CDR Moses stated that with the base meeting every three months, the next meeting will be 19 NOV 2022 with a location yet to be determined. If any member would like to host the meeting, please provide the information to CDR Moses.

Rocky Rockers will be attending the upcoming USSVI Convention in Buffalo, NY and will bring 2023 USSVI calendars back for Sculpin Base members desiring one.

50/50 Raffle conducted by COB Mosebey, \$70.00 total, winnings donated to base by winner Rocky Rockers.

Benediction by Chaplain Schmidt

There being no further business, COB Mosebey made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Monte Schmidt, motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 1350 hours.

Bret Cortright

Minutes submitted by
Bret Cortright, Secretary/Treasurer
Sculpin Base, USSVI