

Sculpin Base, USSVI Meeting Minutes 19 NOV 2022

In Attendance:

Ellis Dale (Moe) Moses, Base Cdr,
Rick Hutchison, Vice Cdr
Bret Cortright, Secretary/Treasurer
Monte Schmidt, Chaplain
Bud Huber
Mike Meinhardt
Terry Romig
Ross Thomas
Al Anguish
Tina Anguish
Joyce Meinhardt
Colleen Moses
Eli Perez (Guest)
Jasper the Dog

The meeting was held on 19 NOV 2022 at the American Legion Post 36, Oskaloosa, Kansas

At 1310 hours, the meeting was called to order by Base Cdr Moses. Klaxon sounded by Acting-COB Thomas

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 VCDR Hutchison and Acting-COB Thomas.

Introductions by CDR Moses all present introduced themselves.

Binnacle List: Faye Schmidt and Robert Emery

Previous Meeting Minutes:

Motion made by Ross Thomas to accept minutes of previous meeting as submitted electronically prior to the meeting, seconded by Al Anguish. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's Report was submitted electronically prior to the meeting.

Treasurer Cortright presented proposal to establish a line item budget to include budget lines for Chaplain, Eagle Scouts, Kaps4Kids, Secretary, Storekeeper, Treasurer and Webmaster. Motion made by VCDR Hutchison to accept with Treasurer Cortright providing proposed budget amounts for each line to be presented at next meeting, Seconded by Ross Thomas, motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer Cortright advised that prior to the meeting, an audit was completed on the Sculpin Base bank account by CDR Moses, VCDR Hutchison, Chaplain Schmidt and Treasurer Cortright. All accounts properly balanced and look good.

Committee Reports:

Storekeeper – SK Cortright reports that we now have available limited items such as Base Caps, Base Patches and USSVI 2023 Calendars. If anyone has any particular item of interest, please advise SK Cortright and he will attempt to track them down.

<u>Kaps4Kids</u> – Committee Chair Bill Haug not present, SK Cortright advised that Kaps4Kids caps (pink & blue) have been obtained and are available when needed.

<u>Eagle Scout</u> – Committee Chair Monte Schmidt requested that anyone with contact of a Scouting unit, please contact him. The Eagle Scout program is based on the similarities to obtaining the rank of Eagle Scout to submarine qualification.

Website – SculpinBase.Org Rick needs information and input from the membership to keep the site current and active. Please send in pictures along with a description of said picture so it can go on the website. Currently, the website contains membership, base newsletters and events.

<u>Membership</u> – Welcome to New Member Bud Huber who is present. Notices have been sent to all members regarding dues renewal. Please submit any dues to Treasurer Cortright NLT 15 DEC 2022.

History – History Committee Co-Chair Al Anguish requested that the History Committee be added to Meeting Agenda's. If anyone has any suggestions for historical articles, please forward to History Committee Co-Chair's Al and Tina Anguish.

Old Business:

Memorial Bench status, Steve Alvey not present. CDR Moses updated that location at Gage Park, Veteran's Section in Topeka has been secured by Steve.

CDR Moses presented a message from COB Mosebey who could not be present that he had obtained a \$1,500.00 donation from an anonymous donor to go toward the Memorial Bench on the condition that it be placed at the Gage Park location. Associate Member Colleen Moses pledged a donation of \$100.00, Bud Huber donated \$100.00, VCDR Hutchison pledged a donation of \$100.00 and Al & Tina Anguish pledged \$250.00 toward the Memorial Bench.

Other fund raising efforts could include, Mouse Races and Raffles, Tina Anguish will coordinate with the DAR and SAR for their assistance.

Parades, CDR Moses, Secretary/Treasurer Cortright and COB Mosebey participated in the Veterans Day Parade in Emporia. It was crazy cold. We followed our sister base, Dorado Base in the parade. Dorado had their float of a submarine that actually dives and surfaces through a hydraulic lift, it was very impressive. Chaplain Schmidt advised that a friend of his had been present and not only commented to him about the float but that he did take notice of the Submarine Veteran truck following the float. It was decided that the Sculpin Base would participate in the Christmas Parade in Burlington on December 10th,

New Business:

The newly re-elected base officers were officially sworn in, Central District One CDR Moses swore in Vice Commander Hutchison and Secretary/Treasurer Cortright followed by VCDR Hutchison swearing in Base Commander Moses.

CDR Moses presented Secretary/Treasurer Cortright with the *Robert Link National Commander's Award* and informed the base that our newsletter had won *Newsletter of the Year Award* for our class for a second consecutive year.

Holland Club Chair Schmidt inducted Bud Huber into the Holland Club in recognition of his 50 Years as Qualified in Submarines. Bud qualified onboard USS Pomfret in 1970. Bud was presented his Holland Club Certificate, Challenge Coin and Cap.

CDR Moses led a discussion on a proposal by Tad Laurence regarding the Base Logo. The proposal, would change the background from white to black. CDR Moses displayed both versions and a motion was made by Terry Romig to change the background from white to black, the motion was seconded by Mike Meinhardt, motion passed unanimously.

Good of the Order/Crew:

Sea Stories were presented by Terry Romig, Al Anguish and Ross Thomas. All members are strongly encouraged to submit Sea Stories to Newsletter Editor Moses for inclusion in the Sculpin Base POD Newsletter.

Cdr Moses stated that with the base meeting every three months, the next meeting will be around 18 FEB 2023 with a location yet to be determined. If any member would like to host the meeting, please provide the information to CDR Moses.

50/50 Raffle conducted by Chaplain Schmidt, winner was Guest Eli Perez. Total was \$100.00. Eli donated the entire amount back to Sculpin Base. It should be noted that Eli will soon be entering the U.S. Air Force.

Benediction by Chaplain Schmidt

There being no further business, VCDR Hutchison made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Monte Schmidt, motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 1435 hours.

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