**Carolina-Piedmont Base Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting Date:  June 24th, 2017**

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

* Carolina Piedmont Base Vice Commander Jack Jeffries called the meeting to order at 1830 hrs. at the VFW Post located in Fort Mill, SC.

**INVOCATION**

* Base Chaplain Tom Hulme gave the invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

* All joined together in saying our nation’s Pledge of Allegiance.

**USSVI CREED**

* The USSVI Creed was recited tonight by John Brough.

**TOLLING OF THE BOATS**

* The Tolling of the boats for June was presented by Tom Hulme.  Bell was rung by Jim Reeves.

**MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS**

* There were 21 members present at this month’s meeting which included one new member.  Jeff Mason from Charlotte was welcomed by all those members present.

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

* Sandra Myers requested a moment of silence for the crew members of the USS Fitzgerald and prayers for the family members of those crew members who passed away.

**AWARDS**

* No awards were presented at this meeting.

**READING/APPROVAL OF THE LAST MEETING MINUTES**

* Motion made and seconded to accept minutes as written.  All in favor.

**READING/APPROVAL OF THE TREASURER’S REPORT**

* Base Treasurer Raymond Zieverink presented the treasurer’s report.  The total current balance of all funds is $6,200.56 as of today.  Motion made and accepted to accept the June 2017 treasurer’s report as presented.  All in favor.

**SK REPORT**

* Base Storekeeper Jeff Nieberding reported that anyone needing badges, coins, etc. please contact him.  Jeff informed our new member to see him if he needed anything.

**OLD BUSINESS**

* Nothing to report.

**NEW BUSINESS**

* Steve Bell gave a report on our shipmates from Baton Rouge who needed our help.  Eight members from there have lost just about everything.  Steve requested a donation for the eight individuals.  Discussion followed to ensure that the members themselves received the money.  A motion was made by Raymond Zieverink, to donate $800.00.  The motion was seconded.  All in favor.

**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

* **Bilge Rats Update**
* Moe reported that the Bilge Rats have begun practicing.  Anyone interested in participating please contact Moe.
* **Color Guard Update**
* Moe thanked all those who participated in the presentation of the colors at the baseball game.  Jack asked Moe if he thought we could do another baseball game.  Moe will look into this.
* **Burnsville**
* Jack thanked Moe for a great show at Burnsville.  All those in attendance had a great time.  Jim Goins was voted as the Best in Show.  Steve Bell updated everyone on the Moonshine Mountain project.  The Civil Engineer will be looking into the project to get a firm price on the project.
* **National Convention**
* Jack reported that the National Convention will be held in Kissimmee, FL September 1 thru 6 2017.
* **Dues**
* Jack reminded everyone that dues are coming up.
* **New Ball Caps**
* Jack spoke of the new Ball Caps for Submariners.  Jack sent everyone an email with the SSBN ball cap.  He is going to check to see if they also have new ball caps for SSN’s and diesel boats.  To get the discount you need to use the promo code – sub when ordering.  The price includes shipping.
* **News Articles**
* Moe ask that everyone try to submit a news article or funny story to him.

**NEXT BASE MEETING**

* The next base meeting of the Carolina-Piedmont Base will be held on Saturday, July 22, 2017 at the VFW Post in Fort Mill, SC.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

* A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 1928 hrs.  Motion passed.

**BENEDICTION**

* Tonight’s Benediction was given by Base Chaplain Tom Hulme.

**RAFFLE RESULTS**

* Tonight’s raffle was won by Jack Jeffries.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by:

John Brough

Assistant Base Secretary