Carolina-Piedmont Base Meeting Minutes Meeting Date: March 26th, 2016

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

• Carolina Piedmont Base Commander Rick Petitt called the March 26th, 2016 base meeting to order @ 1900 hrs. at the VFW Post located in Fort Mill, South Carolina.

INVOCATION

• Base Chaplain Tom Hulme gave tonight's Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

• All joined together in saying our nation's Pledge of Allegiance.

USSVI CREED

• The USSVI Creed was recited tonight by James Taylor.

TOLLING OF THE BOATS

• The Tolling of the boats for March was presented by Tom Hulme and Joel Sparnon.

MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS

• There were 21 members present at this month's meeting.

READING/APPROVAL OF THE LAST MEETING MINUTES

• The February 2016 meeting minutes were posted in the March 2016 edition of the Piedmont Periscope plus the minutes were also sent directly to the membership via email on March 25th. A motion was made to accept the February minutes as posted; the motion passed.

READING/APPROVAL OF THE TREASURER'S REPORT

- Back-up Base Treasurer Calvin Reese presented a treasurer's report thru March 26th, 2016.
- A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report thru March 26th 2016 as presented; the motion passed.

Category	Balances as of 3/26/2016	Last Reported Balances
Kapss-4-kidss Fund	\$ 1,010.27	\$ 1,010.27
Scholarship Fund	\$139.00	\$ 54.00
General Base Fund	\$5,719.75	\$ 5,544.55
Total Balances	\$ 6,869.02	\$ 6,608.82

SPECIAL PRESENTATION – Holland Club Induction

• Steve Bell inducted shipmate James Taylor into the prestigious Holland Club for 2016. James qualified on April 11th 1966 aboard the USS Lewis & Clark. Induction into the Holland Club signifies a member has been qualified in submarines for 50 years. Congratulations to James Taylor!

OLD BUSINESS

• None

NEW BUSINESS

• None

SK REPORT

• Base Storekeeper Jeff Nieberding reported he's available for whatever items members need to order.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

• Burnsville Gathering

- > Jack Jefferies reminded members there were only 3 rooms left at Big Lynn Lodge. Additional rooms are available at the Skyline Village Inn.
- > Dale "Moe" Moses reported there were still openings for "halfway night" skits for doing Saturday night at Burnsville.
- > The Burnsville event will take place at Moonshine Mountain near Burnsville NC the weekend of May 20 & 21. Members from all NC Subvet bases are invited to participate at what has become an annual tradition to honor the 52 lost boats.

• Victory Junction

- > Jim Goins reported on his privilege to visit Victory Junction on March 12th and to present children with honorary submariner certificates and also to give them a special Kaps-4-Kids hat.
- > Our next visit will be in June for NASCAR night and the date of our third visit will be communicated soon.

School Submarine Presentation

Joel Sparnon reported on his opportunity to visit the NROTC Class at the Mooresville High School on March 8th and to discuss serving aboard submarines as future submarine officers.

• S E District Conference 2016

- > This year's regional conference will be held from April 20th thru 23rd at the Holiday Inn Downtown in Mobile, Alabama. The conference is being hosted by the USSVI Mobile Bay Base.
- Contact Jack or Rick for more information if you plan to attend.

• S E District Conference 2017 (Proposed for April 2017)

- > Continuing with the prospect of Carolina Piedmont Base hosting next year's SE District Conference, Raymond Zieverink has begun researching possible local sites where to have the conference.
- > The base which will host the 2017 event will be selected at this year's district conference.

• Upcoming Veteran's Events to Attend

- Tuesday Salisbury VA Hospital Ceremony 11:30
 Saturday April 9th 10 AM to 5 PM the Museum of the Waxhaw's will host a Welcome Home Vietnam Veteran's celebration.
- Saturday April 16th SUBLANT Birthday Ball Virginia Beach, VA.

• Kap(SS)-4-Kid(SS)

- Rick covered the current finances of the K4K program.
- Rick is requesting any ideas to raise funds for the program.

• Charlotte Knights Baseball Game

Contact Moe if interested in attending the Knight's game on Tuesday May 31st at 7 PM.

PIEDMONT PERISCOPE

• All hands are reminded that submissions for the base newsletter need to be sent to Robert Schilke no later than the 15th of each month.

NEXT BASE MEETING

• The next meeting of the Carolina-Piedmont Base will be held <u>one week earlier than usual</u> on Saturday, April 16th, 2016 at 1900 hrs. at the VFW in Fort Mill, SC. A pot-luck meal will precede the meeting starting at 1730.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

• A motion to adjourn the meeting was made; the motion passed.

BENEDICTION

• The Benediction was given by Chaplain Hulme.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted By: Tom Kelly Base Secretary