



**UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS®**  
**SAIL AND POWER BOATING**  
**DISTRICT 9**



District 9 Spring Council Meeting  
25 March 2011  
Causeway Bay Hotel – Lansing, MI

**Minutes**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1618.

**D/C James D. Draper, JN**

**Invocation**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**D/Lt Douglas R. Rocho, P**

**P/R/C Patricia A. Johnston, SN**

**Welcome Comments**

**D/C James D. Draper, JN**

**Order of Business**

There being no objection, the District Commander announced that the order of the meeting may be altered to expedite the meeting.

**D/C James D. Draper, JN**

**Introduction of National Officers and P/D/Cs**

**D/Lt/C Mary Ann Jensen, N**

**Past District Commanders**

1987 – P/R/C, P/N/F/Lt, P/D/C Dick Jarmon, SN  
1990 – P/D/C James R. Leonard, SN  
2001 – Stf/C, P/D/C John C. Bennett, SN  
2004 – P/D/C Michael J. Rachuk, SN  
2005 – P/D/C James G. Knaggs, SN  
2006 – Stf/C, P/D/C Denise Samu, AP  
2009 – P/D/C Bryan L. Bartlett, SN

**National Officers**

P/R/C, P/N/F/Lt, P/D/C Dick Jarmon, SN  
Stf/C, P/D/C John C. Bennett, SN  
R/C, D/Lt/C Donald C. Fiander, SN  
P/Stf/C, D/Lt/C Linda J. LaLonde, P  
Stf/C, P/D/C Denise Samu, AP  
R/C Gregory E. Korstad, AP

**Review of Voting and Floor Privileges**

**D/Lt Laddie L. Hudson, Jr., SN**

**Determination of a Quorum**

After discussion, the District Secretary reported that a quorum was present.

**D/Lt/C H. Jay Stevens, SN**

**Acceptance of Minutes of 2010 Fall Council**

**D/C James D. Draper, JN**

A copy of the minutes of the 2010 Fall Council was previously distributed.

Motion: It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the 2010 Fall Council be approved. The motion carried. The approved minutes are filed with the 2010 Fall Council Report.

**District Calendar**

**D/Lt/C Mary Ann Jensen, N**

The District Calendar was distributed as a part of the seat packet. The District Executive Officer announced one correction. The listed date of 21 May 2011 is not valid for Wyandotte's Commander's Ball. It will be rescheduled.

**Committee Reports**

**Report of the Audit Committee**

**D/Lt Mike Zaborowski, Sr., JN**

The report of the Audit Committee was distributed in the seat packet. No additions or corrections were reported to the Council.

**Report of the Budget Committee**

**D/Lt Chester Dunbar, Jr., AP**

The report of the Budget Committee was distributed in the seat packet. No additions or corrections were reported to the Council.

Motion: It was moved and seconded that the report of the Budget Committee be forwarded to the Conference for approval. After discussion, the motion carried.

**Report of the Planning Committee**

**D/Lt David A. Brooks, AP**

The report of the Planning Committee was distributed in the seat packet. No additions or corrections were reported to the Council.

**PlanCom Item 19 – Review of District Meetings Process** - The District Commander reported that no action was necessary at this time.

**PlanCom Item 21 – Review and Revise the Vessel Safety Inspections Awards Standard Operating Procedure 17** - The District Commander reported that the SOP did not agree with current practice, and needed revision in accordance with the PlanCom recommendation.

Motion: It was moved and seconded that PlanCom Item 21 be forwarded to Conference for approval.

Amendment: After discussion, a motion was made to amend the motion by deleting Section C from the SOP. The motion to amend carried.

After discussion, the motion to forward PlanCom Item 21 to Conference for approval, as amended by the deletion of Section C from the SOP, carried.

**Report of the Rules Committee**

**D/Lt Laddie L. Hudson, Jr., SN**

The Rules Committee reported that it had submitted an advisory opinion to the District Secretary on the issue of whether members under the age of 18 are “active members” for purposes of calculating delegates to Conference.

Motion: It was moved that the issue be referred to the Rules Committee, together with the question of whether Past District Commanders who reside out of the area but are still District 9 members should be counted as “active members” for purposes of calculating delegates to Council and Conference and for determining quorums. The District Commander directed that the Rules Committee review the issue of “active members” as used for purposes of calculating delegates to Council and Conference and for determining quorums. No further action was taken on the motion.

**Report of the Conference Coordinator**

**P/D/C Michael J. Rachuk, SN**

The Conference Coordinator will reserve most of his report until tomorrow. The District Conference Coordinating Committee is looking for additional members because District Conference Committee will most likely be coordinating Fall Conference this year.

**Report of the Nominating Committee**

**D/Lt Bryan L. Bartlett, SN**

The Nominating Committee’s report will be made to Conference tomorrow.

**D/9 Department Reports**

**Treasurer’s Department**

**D/Lt/C William A. Stano, JN**

The District Treasurer’s report was distributed in the seat packet.

**Secretary’s Department**

**D/Lt/C H. Jay Stevens, SN**

The District Secretary’s report was distributed in the seat packet.

**Administrative Department**

**D/Lt/C Linda J. LaLonde, P**

The District Administrative Officer’s report was distributed in the seat packet. The theme for the Membership Seminar will be “Putting Life Back in the Membership.”

**Educational Department**

**D/Lt/C Donald C. Fiander, SN**

The District Educational Officer’s report was distributed in the seat packet. We will have the fire suppression training unit all Saturday morning at the Conference.

**Executive Department**

**D/Lt/C Mary Ann Jensen, N**

The District Executive Officer’s report was distributed in the seat packet.

**District Commander’s Report**

**D/C James D. Draper, JN**

The District Commander’s Report was distributed in the seat packet. The District Commander announced a new District initiative to share information about potential program speakers for squadron meetings. The initiative is the Squadron Administrative Officers Program Resource.

**District Commander's Report (Contd.)**

The information has been posted on the D9 website under the Downloads tab, in the "AO Info" folder. At present there are nine different programs. More will be added as information becomes available.

**Unfinished Business**

**D/C James D. Draper, JN**

The District Commander reported that there was no unfinished business.

**New Business and Resolutions**

**D/C James D. Draper, JN**

**Rogers City Power Sail and Power Squadron Dissolution** – Rogers City Sail and Power Squadron has requested authority to dissolve the squadron and turn in their charter.

Motion: It was moved and seconded that the request of Rogers City Sail and Power Squadron to dissolve be approved by the Council and forwarded to Conference for further action. After discussion, the motion carried.

**For the Good of the District**

**D/C James D. Draper, JN**

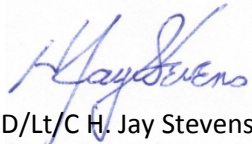
The District Commander presided over a general discussion concerning the date and location of the next Council meeting and the practicality of using electronic meetings formats.

Motion: Following discussion, it was moved and seconded that the issue of date, location, and format of the Council Meeting be referred to the Planning Committee. After discussion, the motion carried.

**Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 1715.

Respectfully submitted,



D/Lt/C H. Jay Stevens, SN  
District Secretary