



UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS®
SAIL AND POWER BOATING
DISTRICT 9



District 9 Spring Council/Conference Meeting
Doubletree Hotel, Bay City, Michigan
24 March 2012

Council Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1215 by D/C Mary Ann Jensen, SN

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Invocation

Recess for Lunch

D/Lt Douglas R. Rocho, P

Pledge of Allegiance

National Anthems (U.S. & Canadian)

D/F/Lt Patricia Johnston, SN
District 9 and Guests

Welcome Comments

Host Squadron – Dearborn Sail and Power Squadron

D/C Mary Ann Jensen, SN
Cdr William M. Stewart, SN

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 Mary Ann Jensen, SN

Review of the Voting and Floor Privileges

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

Determination of a Quorum

The Secretary reported that a quorum was present.

D/Lt/C H. Jay Stevens, SN

Secretary's Report

The Secretary's Department report was distributed in the seat packet. A copy is included in the 2012 Spring Council report.

D/Lt/C H. Jay Stevens, SN

Approval of Minutes – 2011 Fall Council

A copy of the minutes of the 2011 Fall Council was previously distributed.

Motion: It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the 2011 Fall Council be approved. The motion carried. The approved minutes are filed with the 2011 Fall Council Report.

D/C Mary Ann Jensen, SN

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's report was distributed in the seat packet. A copy is included in the 2012 Spring Council report. All of our accounts balance with the bank's records. Our income from 01 Mar 2011 through 28 Feb 2012/28 \$10,560.86, which is a little over \$600.00 under budget. Squadron assessments were down about 7%. We ended up the year with a balance of about \$1,500.00, due primarily to lower expenditures than expected and higher revenue from the Educational Safety Cruise. We have a balance of \$2,227.00 for the Governing Board.

D/Lt/C Dawn L. Flynn, JN

Budget Committee Report

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

The proposed 2012-2013 budget was distributed in the seat packet.

Educational Cruise – The Chair of the Finance and Budget Committee reported that he had received a request from the District Commander advising that it was anticipated that the revenue from the 2011 Educational Cruise would be shared with the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary and the United States Coast Guard Morale Fund. The action, however, has not yet been approved by the Council.

Motion – it was moved and seconded that we share the amount of \$440 to the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary and the amount of \$880 to the United States Coast Guard Morale Fund from the Educational Cruise receipts. These funds would be paid out of last year's funds. After discussion, the motion carried.

2012 -2013 Budget – The proposed budget was presented to the Council. The budget provides for a deficit for the period of \$470.00

Motion – It was moved and seconded that the 2012-2013 budget presented by the Finance and Budget Committee be approved by the Council. After discussion, the motion carried.

District Assessments FY 2013 – The Chair of the Finance and Budget Committee presented as an information item that the Budget and Finance Committee will be recommending an increase of \$1.00 per active member and \$1.00 per family unit for FY 2013. No action was required on the recommendation. The issue will be presented for action at the 2012 Fall Council and 2012 Fall Conference.

Short and Long Term Accounts – We presently have approximately \$57,117.70 in one account, and \$10,460.07 in another account that are not being used for current expenditures.

Motion – It was moved and seconded that the Finance and Budget Committee be directed to find a no-risk short-term and long-term interest bearing solution for the \$57,000.00 and the \$10,000.00 funds, and report findings at the next Conference. After discussion, the motion carried.

Committee on Rules

D/Lt Laddie L. Hudson, SN

The Commander changed the order of business and called on the Committee on Rules for a report. The Committee on Rules is studying the methods for getting a quorum at Council meeting. The Chair will be contacting all P/D/Cs for input on the proposals being considered by the Committee. The Committee is currently considering three options for members of Council:

Option 1 - The elected Bridge officers, the immediate past district commander willing to serve, chairmen of the General Committees, and squadron commanders would be members of Council.

Option 2 – The elected Bridge officers, the nine immediate past district commanders, the immediate past three district educational officers, the chairmen of the General Committees and the squadron commanders would be members of Council.

Option 3 – The elected Bridge officers, the six immediate past district commanders, the immediate past two district educational officers, the chairmen of the General Committees, and the squadron commanders would be members of Council.

No action was taken at this time.

Resolutions and other New Business

D/C Mary Ann Jensen, SN

The District Commander reported receipt of a letter from the Commander of Grosse Ile Squadron advising that the members of the Squadron had voted at the 23 Feb 2012 meeting on a vote of 18 to 2 to dissolve the squadron.

Motion – It was moved and seconded to approve the motion by Grosse Ile to dissolve the squadron. The motion carried and was referred to Conference for further action.

Adjourn

D/C Mary Ann Jensen, SN

The Council meeting was adjourned at 1330.