

Navy SVA
AGENDA – 70TH ANNUAL NATIONAL CONVENTION
GEORGIAN HOTEL, LAKE GEORGE NY
SEPTEMBER 15, 2016

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER at 9:34 a.m. by Commander David **BUCHANAN**

The Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance and Preamble were dispensed with as we are returning from the Joint opening.

INTRODUCTION of the members at the head table by Cdr. **BUCHANAN**

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS – Secretary Charles **COFFIN**

A **Quorum** was established

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS:

CONVENTION COMMITTEE REPORTS:

RULES read by ParliamentarianWalter **MULLER**

CREDENTIALS.....Gerald **KISSENGER**, chairman, **Ernie NELSON**, member.

REPORT: Chief **KISSINGER** gave an oral report and submitted copies

TIME AND PLACE: Nick **MARSCHHAUSER**, Chairman, Phil **JUSTIN**, Member

REPORT: No commitment as of this time.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Jim **WHITE**, Chairman, David J. **BUCHANAN**, member
Call for anyone wishing to hold a National Office. Contact Jim White or David J. Buchanan.

Vice Commander's Report: given by Secretary Charlie **COFFIN**. Jon **SCOTT** sent in information on the transfer of NIAL the night before the convention

Charlie **COFFIN** asked for everyone in attendance to make sure they have signed in.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

MID YEAR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE meeting held in Arlington, VA on March 6, 2016

REPORT OF REMAINING OFFICERS:

PAST NATIONAL COMMANDERS

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| 12-14 | Jerry LANDCASTLE | Not in attendance |
| 10-12 | Carl BARRETT | Not in attendance |
| 08-10 | Bear HOLLAND | Not in attendance |
| 06-08 | David J. BUCHANAN | incorporated with other reports |
| 04-06 | Jim WHITE | In attendance, no report |

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| 90-92 | Norm HILL | not in attendance |
| 89-90 | Don CLAY | not in attendance |
| 76-77 | Dick GROVE | not in attendance |
| 75-76 | Jack WRIGHT | not in attendance |

NATIONAL VICE COMMANDER AT LARGE – Jon **SCOTT**, ABSENT

Report: submitted and read by National Secretary.

NATIONAL SECRETARY - CHARLES **COFFIN**, Oral Report

NATIONAL TREASURER – Jerry **SCHMUCK**

REPORT: by Treasurer Jerry **SCHMUCK** oral and submitted.

The Treasurer requested permission to move \$10,000 of income to the **Edward Jones** investment account.

There was a MOTION by John **HILLYER**, III and seconded by Ernie **NELSON** to allow the Treasurer to move the funds to the investment account.

By a voice vote **ALL** ayes and no nays. This motion was approved

DISTRICT COMMANDERS:

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| NORTH EAST – | John CUBIT , | Report submitted |
| NORTH CENTRAL – | Danny WEST , | Not in attendance |
| NORTH WEST – | Ralph BEAN , | Not in attendance |
| SOUTH EAST – | John Hillyer, III, | oral report/submitted |
| SOUTH CENTRAL – | Troy BRANCH , | Not in attendance |
| SOUTH WEST – | Ken WARD , | Not in attendance |

DEPARTMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEEMAN

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| FLORIDA – | John HILLYER, III , | oral report |
| ILLINOIS – | Ted BRODT | no report |
| INDIANA – | Danny WEST , | Not in attendance |
| MASSACHUSETTS – | Jim PEDONE | oral report |
| NEW YORK - | John CUBIT | oral report |
| NORTH CAROLINA – | J. C. HAMPTON | Not in attendance |
| OHIO – | Pat LEIHER , | Not in attendance |
| WASHINGTON – | George DODGE | Not in attendance |

NATIONAL TRUSTEES:

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| 1 YR – | Normand DUPUIS , | Not in attendance |
| 1 YR – | Phil JUSTIN , | Gave Audit Report |
| 1 YR – | Joe MILLETTE , | Gave Audit Report |
| 2 YR – | Burt MOLLOHON , | Not in attendance |
| 2 YR – | Bob MAGIC , | Not in attendance |

APPOINTED OFFICERS:

NATIONAL CHAPLAIN – Jim **PEDONE**, No REPORT
NATIONAL COUNSELORS: John **HILLYER III**, No report required
Roger **MINER**, Not in attendance
NATIONAL SERVICE OFFICER – Dave **PHILLIPS**, Not in attendance
NATIONAL HISTORIAN – Mel **RAMIGE**, ORAL REPORT
NATIONAL PARLIAMENTARIAN – WALTER **MULLER**, No report required

STANDING COMMITTEES:

CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS – Charles **COFFIN**

REPORT: Constitution is updated and current at the end of the Convention.

FINANCE – Jerry **SCHMUCK**

BUDGET COMMITTEE Report: Budget submitted for review by Treasurer Jerry **SCHMUCK** and Budget Committee.

A Motion was made by John **Hillyer**, III and seconded by Nick **MARSCHHAUSER** to accept the Budget Committee's 2016-2017 annual proposed Budget.

By a voice vote ALL ayes and no nays. This Motion was approved

INTERNET – Jon **SCOTT** **ABSENT**

Report: No Report but asked to be replaced as Internet Chairman.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP – Joe **SCOTT**

Report: given by Secretary **COFFIN** in the absence of Life membership Chairman, **90** new Life members last year.

NATIONAL PUBLICITY –Joe **LEAHY**

Report: Not in attendance no report submitted.

PUBLICATIONS –CARL **BARRETT**/Amy **BRADLEY**

Report: Excused no report submitted.

RESOLUTIONS –John **CUBIT**

Report: No Resolutions were presented.

1 **EMERGENCY** Resolution from the NSVA Auxiliary to update NSVAA By-Laws

MEMBERSHIP – Danny **WEST**

Report: MEMBERSHIP Report by Charlie **COFFIN** in Danny **WEST'S** absence:

At the close of fiscal Year 2015, 4609 paid members, there are 4351 members in good standing as of the 2016 convention date. All dues are not paid as of yet

REGISTERED AGENT -David **RUDOLPH**

Report: not in attendance no report submitted, incorporation fees are current

MASTER-AT-ARMS – Nick **MARSCHHAUSER**

Report: in attendance no report given.

Historian- Mel Ramige asked for some help in updating history, looking for submission for member on island activities

REPORT OF REMAINING CONVENTION COMMITTEES (Except Nominating):

AUDITING COMMITTEE (National Trustees) Jim **MILLETTE**, Chairman, Dick **BOOTHE**, member and Jim **FUREY**, member

REPORT: The Treasurer's books balanced and should be placed on file.

PRELIMINARY REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

REPORT OF "SPECIAL COMMITTEE": No "SPECIAL COMMITTEE's" were formed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Report on the ongoing placement of a **SEABEE Monument in every National Cemetery Project**.
Report: An oral report was given by David J. **BUCHANAN** on the 30 Monuments set in National Cemetery's.

2. Report on the project to honor **CM3 MARVIN G. SHIELDS** by increasing the value of the CM3 **MARVIN SHIELDS** SVA #2 Scholarship.

Report: With the cooperation between the SMSA and the NSVA donated funds were reallocated from the NSVA #25 named scholarship to the CM3 Marvin **SHIELDS** NSVA #2 Scholarship in the amount of approximately \$11,000 dollars to raise its value to today's \$50,000 current value. The remaining donations in the fund of approximately \$14,000 dollars was added to the Melvin D, **RAMIGE**, NSVA #23 scholarship bringing it very close to the \$50,000 value.

3. Progress of **transferring all life members from the deactivated islands** to the closest island to their home address.

Report: from National Secretary **COFFIN** this is still a work in progress but is making headway.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Finalize the **PROPOSED ANNUAL BUDGET** for fiscal year 2015-16.

Report: This was done under the Treasurer's report

2. Action on the request by **ELAINE COFFIN**, Secretary of Navy SVA AUXILIARY, for approval of the revised the Navy SVAA BY-LAWS.

Report: This was presented as an **EMERGENCY** resolution. Secretary read the proposal at the Pre-Con. Executive Board meeting and all items seemed to be workable and was approved by the Board to be sent to the Convention floor with a recommendation it be approved.

There was a Motion by Jim **WHITE** and seconded by John **Hillyer, III** that the National Auxiliary be allowed to update their By-laws as presented.

By a voice vote ALL ayes and no nays, this motion was approved.

COMPLETE REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE and NOMINATION OF OFFICERS:

2016-17 SLATE OF OFFICERS

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| NATIONAL COMMANDER | JOHN HILLYER, III | Elected at Convention |
| NAT'L VICE CMDR. AT LARGE | JIM FUREY | Elected at Convention |
| NATIONAL SECRETARY | CHARLIE COFFIN | Elected at Convention |
| NATIONAL TREASURER | JERRY SCHMUCK | Elected at Convention |
| DISTRICT COMMANDERS | | |
| NE DISTRICT | JOHN CUBIT | caused for by District |
| NC DISTRICT | DANNY WEST | caused for by District |
| SC DISTRICT | TROY BRANCH | letter of acceptance |
| NW DISTRICT | RALPH BEAN | letter of acceptance |
| SE DISTRICT | JOHN HILLYER, III | caused for by District |
| SW DISTRICT | KEN WARD | letter of acceptance |
| PAST NATIONAL COMMANDERS | | |
| 2014-2016 | DAVID J. BUCHANAN | Automatic members of NEC |
| 2012-2014 | JERRY LANDCASTLE | Automatic members of NEC |
| 2010-2012 | CARL BARRETT | Automatic members of NEC |
| 2008-2010 | BEAR HOLLAND | Automatic members of NEC |
| 2006-2008 | DAVID J. BUCHANAN | Automatic members of NEC |
| 2004-2006 | JIM WHITE | Automatic members of NEC |
| 1990-1992 | NORM HILL | Automatic members of NEC |
| 1989-1990 | DON CLAY | Automatic members of NEC |
| 1976-1977 | DICK GROVE | Automatic members of NEC |
| 1975-1976 | JACK WRIGHT | Automatic members of NEC |
| NATIONAL TRUSTEES | | |
| 2 YR | BOB MAGIC | letter of acceptance |
| 2 YR | BURT MULHOLLON | letter of acceptance |
| 1 YR | PHIL JUSTIN | Elected at Convention |
| 1 YR. | JOSEPH MILLETTE | Elected at Convention |

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| 1 YR | NORMAND O. DUPUIS | letter of acceptance |
| CHAPLAIN | JIM PEDONE | Re-Appointed at Post-Convention |
| HISTORIAN | MEL RAMIGE | Re-Appointed at Post-Convention |
| MASTER-AT-ARMS | Joseph DEZELAR | Volunteered at Post-Convention |
| NATIONAL COUNSELORS | DAVID J. BUCHANAN | Volunteered at Post-Convention |
| | JOHN HILLYER III, | Appointed at Post-Convention |
| | ROGER MINER | letter of acceptance |
| PARLIAMENTARIAN | WALTER MULLER | Re-Appointed at Post-Convention |
| SERVICE OFFICER | DAVE PHILLIPS | letter of acceptance |
| REGISTERED AGENT | DAVE RUDOLPH | letter of acceptance |
| 2017 NAT'L. CONVEN. CHAIRMAN | ERNIE NELSON, X-11, TAMPA | Volunteered at Convention |
| STANDING COMMITTEES | | |
| CONST. AND BY-LAWS | ERNIE NELSON | Volunteered at Convention |
| FINANCE | JERRY SCHMUCK, acting | Volunteered at Convention |
| INTERNET LIFE | JACK TANGEN | Volunteered at Convention |
| MEMBERSHIP | JOE SCOTT | Elected at Convention |
| PUBLICATIONS | CARL BARRETT/AMY BRADLEY | letter of acceptance |
| PUBLICITY | JOE LEAHY | letter of acceptance |
| RESOLUTIONS | JOHN CUBIT | Volunteered at Convention |
| MEMBERSHIP | DANNY WEST, acting | Volunteered at Convention |
| DEPT. EXE. COMMITTEEMEN | | |
| FLORIDA | JOHN HILLYER, III | Selected by Departments |
| ILLINOIS | TED BRODT | Selected by Departments |
| INDIANA | DANNY WEST | Selected by Departments |
| MASSACHUSETTS | Jim PEDONE | Selected by Departments |
| NEW YORK | JOHN CUBIT | Selected by Departments |

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| NORTH CAROLINA | JAMES C. HAMPTON | Selected by Departments |
| OHIO | PAT LEIHER | Selected by Departments |
| WASHINGTON | GEORGE DODGE | Selected by Departments |

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR YEAR 2016-17

Nominating Committee Chairman Jim **WHITE** conducted the nominating of Officers asking 3 times for each Office for Nominations from the floor.

Hearing none, a Motion was made by Jim **WHITE** and seconded by Joe **Millette**, to close the nominations and instruct the National Secretary to cast one vote for the entire slate by acclamation. By a voice vote ALL ayes and no nays. This Motion was approved.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS will be done at the banquet.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:

1. Past National Secretary Mel **RAMIGE** gave praise to the good job National Secretary Charlie **COFFIN** has been doing since he has taken on the responsibilities of the Office. All in attendance were in agreement and gave Charlie a round of applause.

RETIRE THE COLORS Commander **BUCHANAN** asked all to **Stand and render a Hand Salute**

CLOSING PRAYER BY Chaplain Jim **PEDONE**

There was a Motion by Jim **Furey** and seconded by Jim **WHITE** to **ADJOURN** the National Convention:

By a voice vote ALL ayes and no nays. This Motion was approved and Commander **Buchanan** adjourned the 70th National Convention and Reunion at 12:17pm.