

USSVI – Charleston Base Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

April 7, 2016

Meeting called to order at 1755 by Base Commander Rick Wise. Attending were Board of Directors members Rick Sparger, Ken Curtis, Rick Wise, Mike Ciesielko, George Scharf, Ron Chambers, Nick Nichols, Larry Knutson, Al Dempster, Ken Hutchison and Base member Ed Stank.

Base Commander Rick Wise welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Ken Curtis had nothing to report for DAV.

George Scharf commented on the aspects of the car show. The date of the 8th of Oct was recommended.

There was a discussion on the Amberjack Ceremony and preparations were made. 1000 on Saturday 9th April at the Cold War Memorial.

Ed Stank discussed the Victory House Picnic on Tuesday 4/12/2016. We are feeding 50 to 70 residents.

Ken Hutchison discussed spreading out By law Changes one resolution each meeting.

Al Dempster and Rick Sparger discussed the Subvets Picnic on 7 May 2016. We are going to have a fish fry in addition to Hamburgers and Hot dogs. The Subvets and FRA will split costs and profits 50/50.

The Picnic starts at 12pm and \$5 each member and one guest every additional guest is \$10.00

Rick Sparger asked for more key holders for the storage facility. Having only 3 is difficult. Al Dempster volunteered.

Rick also discussed the Sign we have that reads road kept clean by SUBVETS. The road is Old Orangeburg Road and looks like a mess. We are going to bring it up in old business and see if we can get volunteers to clean it up. If we can't, the sign will be taken down.

Rick mentioned a young Lady and her program Erin Deville Brown from the Fleet Family support center. They hold a kids camp for money management every year and asked us to support their program. The money goes to provide food and supplies. Rick made the suggestion that we donate money to them. It was discussed that this is essential for getting exposure to younger submariners and their families

George Scharf made a motion that we support this group by donating \$300 To the Fleet Family support center Kids camp. Ken Hutchison seconded the motion. The motion passed on a unanimous vote.

Ron Chambers had nothing to report.

Mike Welch Gave his financial report and it is posted to the website.

Rick Sparger mentioned the KapSS4KidSS visit was a smashing success and Bill Kennedy and his daughter did a marvelous Job. Nick Nichols mentioned getting pictures of any event.

Ed made a suggestion that talking to members on a one on one basis that maybe we can get more participation for some of these programs.

Chaplain Report BOD April Meeting

- **Karen Ilgenfritz** was sent home from MUSC as they could no longer provide her with any more medical care. She passed this morning 7 April 2016. Jack is making arrangements today with Mcallister-Smith Funeral Home of Goose Creek. As soon as I have the final arrangements I will let the membership know.
- **Beetle Bailey** will stay at the campground until healed, probably another week or so.
- **Luke Murphy** is still at LifeCare Morningstar rm 104
- **Ray Bryant** is home - cell phone - 843.817.9510 - please call before going to visit:
- **Clell Hutchinson** is home on hospice and not doing well but would like to have visitors and short calls. Please call Catherine before visiting.
- **Lynn Cousino** continues undergoing a more aggressive treatment regimen.
- **Larry Cox** is home & doing well.
- **Thom & Linda Beach** are home. Thom's liver transplant was a great success and Linda is recovering from her emergency appendectomy.
- **Roy Robertson** is home and having rehab for his broken hip.
- Randy Bognar's mother, **Audrey** passed away March 15th. Service was held in Illinois.
- **John Thorston's** grandson, Matthew, passed away on Thursday, 17 March. John is a member of Charleston Base but currently lives in Virginia. The funeral was held on March 22. Not sure if anyone from the base attended.
- **Mary Wood** had knee replacement surgery and is home doing well.
- **Kathleen Smith** had surgery on her back and is home receiving physical therapy.

Rick Wise mentioned that the tabled motion will be discussed at the June Meeting.

The May meeting will be elections for the positions of Vice Commander and Secretary. Joe Lunn our election Coordinator will go over this.

At the July Meeting, Amy Spears will speak about the Victory House. She will discuss when members become old enough to become residents.

Rick Sparger made a motion to adjourn and Ed Stank seconded the motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 1855.