Tampa Power Squadron General Membership Meeting - 1 November 2012 IHOP Restaurant, 4910 W. Spruce Street, Tampa, FL

Meeting called to order by Cdr Anna Morris, AP at 7:03 p.m. Executive Committee members absent were Richard Holcomb and Marcy Radloff. Eleven Tampa Power Squadron members were present. A quorum was present. Cdr Morris reserved the right to change the order of business to expedite the meeting. No objections.

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Cdr Morris called a recess of the meeting at 7:04 p.m. and introduced Rachel Arndt, Communications Coordinator of Tampa Bay Watch who spoke on habitat restoration. Cdr Morris thanked Ms. Arndt for the program she presented and reconvened the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

Cdr Morris introduced guests D/C Donald A. Parrish, SN and D/Lt Susan G. Parish, AP. Cdr Morris had invited D/C Parrish to speak to the members regarding the future of Tampa Power Squadron. <u>Motion made, seconded, and passed to suspend the reading and approval of the minutes and other Bridge Officer reports until the January 3, 2012 Annual Meeting.</u>

D/C Parrish spoke to the members regarding the direction Tampa Squadron may go in the next several years. New members are imperative to continue any Squadron. Members get members through friendship and warmth and camaraderie keeps members. New members are required to build a leadership pool for the future. Tampa Squadron has won several awards this year, despite the low membership.

Cdr Morris led a discussion on willingness to work on membership. Angie Stanley and Alta Mullins will assist in contacting prospective members.

Each member present had an opportunity to voice their opinion regarding the future of Tampa Power Squadron and their individual concerns. The consensus was that the members will work towards getting new members, and build the membership, thus having a leadership pool for the future.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

P/D/C Alta M. Mullins, SN, Secretary	
Minutes read at Executive Committee Meeting on:	
Minutes approved on:	