

Tampa Power Squadron
General Membership Annual Meeting - 5 January 2017
Egypt Temple Shrine Oasis, 4050 Dana Shores Drive, Tampa, FL.

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Meeting called to order by Cdr John A. Orr, III, S at 7:00 p.m. Members of the Executive Committee that were absent were: Tom Thompson, Len Stevens, and Linda Thompson. With 10 voting members present, a quorum was present. Cdr Orr reserved the right to change the order of business to expedite the meeting. No objections.

Secretary -- P/D/C Alta M. Mullins, SN -- Motions in the minutes of the 10 November 2016 General Membership Meeting were read. **Motion made by Anna Morris, seconded by Scott Morris, and passed to approve the 10 November 2016 General Membership Meeting minutes as read and posted on the Tampa Squadron website. Motion made by Anna Morris, seconded by James Jordan, and passed to waive the reading of the minutes of the 10 November 2016 Executive Committee Special Meeting minutes and the minutes of the 17 November 2016 Executive Committee Meeting until the next Executive Committee Meeting since they are posted on the Tampa Squadron Website.** There are no minutes of the 29 December 2016 Executive Committee Meeting since there was no quorum at that meeting. An explanation of no meeting will be posted on the website for information only. On 12 November 2015 Alta mailed a letter to all members, with a copy of the Nominating Committee's slate of nominees for 2016 and with information advising the date, time, and place of tonight's 5 January 2017 Annual Meeting. Alta thanked Scott Morris for an excellent job as Tampa Squadron Webmaster. Alta also thanked Anna Morris for the five outstanding issues of the Short Blast in 2016. It is hoped the Short Blast will resume full blast in 2017; however, in the interim, Anna will be doing a "Mini Toot" in its place. Alta read the 2016 Secretary Report and it will be filed with the Secretary's records. Alta announced that she will be working on the 14 January 2017 Tampa Squadron Change of Watch Order of Presentation and script. After the Order of Presentation has been approved by Cdr Orr, Alta will email the Order of Presentation to the District 22 Commander and the District 22 Educational Officer for their information.

Administrative Officer -- Vacant

Executive Officer – D/Lt/C Anna Morris, JN -- Anna thanked those who worked on committees in the Executive Officer Department. Cooperative Charting – Richard Holcomb; Radio Technical – Tom Thompson; Vessel Safety Examiner – John Orr; and Liaison – Tom Thompson. Anna reviewed the activities in the Executive Officer Department. Anna is working on the 2017 Tampa Squadron Roster and hopes to have the Roster completed to be distributed at the Change of Watch on 14 January 2017. No details of the Change of Watch were discussed. Anna advised Tampa Squadron currently has 31 members.

A round of applause was given to Cdr John A. Orr, P for his service as Commander during 2016.

New Business: Frank Penny, Chairman, Nominating read the slate of officers for 2017 as presented and distributed to the membership. Alta advised she had received no nominations by petition. Alta announced she was declining the nomination for Assistant SEO. Ted O'Brien announced he was declining the nomination for Executive Committee Member-at-Large.

Motion made by Anna Morris, seconded by Richard Holcomb, and passed to elect the slate of nominees as presented by the Nominating Committee, minus Alta Mullins as Assistant SEO and minus Ted O'Brien as Executive Committee Member at Large. Motion passed. Anna Morris nominated Edward (Ted) O'Brien to fill the vacant position of Administrative Officer for the 2017 Tampa Power Squadron Watch Year. Edward (Ted) O'Brien is willing to serve. Nomination seconded by Alta Mullins. Vote taken and Edward (Ted) O'Brien was elected as Administrative Officer. Anna Morris nominated Mildred Nasta to fill the vacant position of Assistant SEO for the 2017 Tampa Power Squadron Watch Year. Mildred Nasta is willing to serve. Nomination seconded by Ted O'Brien. Vote taken and Mildred Nasta was elected as Assistant SEO. No further nominations from the floor.

Congratulations to all the members who were elected to serve for the 2017 Watch Year. They are: Commander: John Orr; Executive Officer: Anna Morris; Educational Officer: Scott Morris; Administrative Officer: Edward (Ted) O'Brien; Secretary: Alta Mullins; Treasurer: James Jordan; Immediate Past Commander: Richard Holcomb; Assistant SEO: Mildred Nasta; Executive Committee Member at Large: Mildred Nasta; Auditing Committee: Richard Holcomb (2 years remaining); Auditing Committee: Scott Morris (2 years remaining); Auditing Committee: Grace Penny (new 3-year term); Nominating Committee: Frank Penny (2 years remaining); Rules Committee: Alta Mullins, (1 year remaining).

Anna advised there are currently 43 reservations for the 2017 Tampa Change of Watch to be held at the Columbia Restaurant, 2117 E. 7th Street, Tampa, Florida, in Ybor City.

There being no further business, Cdr Orr adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

P/D/C Alta M. Mullins, SN, Secretary

Minutes read at Executive Committee Meeting on: _____

Minutes approved on: _____