

Minutes of the 2025 Annual Meeting
Luis Garden Grill Restaurant, Tampa, Florida
4 January 2025

Meeting called to order at 1749.

ExCom members present: R/C Anna Morris, SN; Lt/C Frank E. Penny, SN; Lt/C Scott Morris, P; Lt/C Thomas C. Thompson, AP; Lt/C James R. Geske, AP-IN; Cindy Geske and Lt Graciela P. Hirigoyen.

General members present: R/C Pat Antoni, SN; P/C Judith E. DeMeglio, SN; 1Lt Lorella M. Fazio; P/D/Lt/C Richard A. Holcomb and Maria Holcomb.

Associate Member present: P/C James B. Greenhalgh

Guests present: None.

A quorum was declared. R/C Anna Morris reserved the right to change the order of business to expedite the meeting. No objections were voiced.

Secretary Report – Lt/C Thomas C. Thompson, AP – Minutes of the 30th of November 2024 Executive Committee Meeting are posted to the Member Section of Tampa Power Squadron Website. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Lt/C Scott Morris, P; seconded by P/C James R. Geske, AP-IN; amended/passed.

Treasurer Report – Lt/C Thomas C. Thompson, AP - Announcement that the financial state of the Tampa Squadron is sound, and the checking account is solvent. Check #4923 was written to District 22 for \$10.00 for Quarterly Due Assessment. Check # 4924 was written to Lt/C Scott Morris, P for \$71.88 for Website Search Engine Optimization. The squadron's investment fund is doing good and will be evaluated for 2025 by a budget committee.

Administrative Officer Report – P/C James R. Geske, AP-IN – The Change of Watch for Tampa Power Squadron will be held at the Columbia Restaurant on Sunday the 26th of January 2024 at 1300 hours. Last year the food bill was paid by the squadron. P/C James R. Geske, AP-IN made a motion to have the 2025 Change of Watch food bill paid by the squadron. After a lengthy discussion by the members, the motion did not receive a second and failed. Graciela P. Hirigoyen made a motion for every squadron member and their guest who attend the 2025 Change of Watch paid for their meals and drinks. P/C James R. Geske, AP-IN wanted to amend the motion by the Tampa Power Squadron inviting the Commander of District 22 plus one to the 2025 Change of Watch and the squadron will pay for their drinks and meals. Lt/C Frank E. Penny, SN wanted to amend the motion by allowing the squadron to pay for the drinks and meals for the D/22 representative plus one if he could not attend. P/D/Lt/C Richard A. Holcomb seconded the motions, and they were passed. Several squadron members have booked seating for the Jersey Boys Show at the Suncoast Broadway Dinner Theater this month. Seating is still available.

Educational Officer Report - Lt/C Scott Morris, P – Scott discussed plans to hold an ABC Boating Class at the Fraternal Order of Police building on Saturday and Sunday the 15th & 16th of March 2025. Lt/C Thomas C. Thompson, AP will check the FOP Rental Book for those days.

Executive Officer Report - Lt/C Frank Penny, SN - None

Commander Report – R/C Anna Morris, SN advised that during the members attending the 30th of November 2024 Executive Committee Meeting were designated as a temporary Nominating Committee. Prior to conducting the 2025 elections, Lt/C Thomas C. Thompson, AP read the slate of candidates:

Commander - R/C Anna Morris, SN

Executive Officer -P/C James R. Geske, SN-IN

Educational Officer - Lt/C Scott Morris, P

Administrative Officer-R/C Pat Antoni, SN

Secretary- Lt/C Thomas C. Thompson, AP

Treasurer- Lt/C Thomas C. Thompson, AP

Past Commander- P/C John A. Orr, III, S

General Members- P/C Judith E. DeMeglio, SN; Lt Cindy Geske; Lt Graciela Hirigoyen

Corporate Agent- P/D/Lt/C Richard A. Holcomb, SN

Anna thanked the temporary Nominating Committee for their service and dissolved the committee.

Anna called for a motion vote for the 2025 Slate of Candidates. A motion was made by Lt/C Thomaas C. Thompson, AP to cast one vote to accept the nomination as read. Lt/C Scott Morris, P seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

New Business: None

Old Business: None

Meeting adjourned at 1857.

Lt/C Thomas C. Thompson, AP
Squadron's Secretary

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