

OFFICIAL MINUTES

Navy Seabee Veterans of America
Island X-1 Kearney, NE
July 14th, 2012 Reunion – Aurora Vet's Club

Commander Billy Graham called the business meeting to order, and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag. Chaplain Roger Miner, gave the invocation prayer.

Secretary/Treasurer Jim Miller, presented the "minutes" from the July 9th, 2011 meeting. (Richard Myers made the motion to accept the minutes - 2nd by Bob Proctor) Motion unanimously accepted.

Jim Miller reported a current balance of \$678.42.00 in the Island X-1 checking account. Bill Williams reported that we are approximately \$450 "in the black" in PayPal account (which processes our bronze Seabee flag holders/seals sales).

A Special Thanks to Billy Graham and Jimmy Hough for providing the donuts and coffee!

The lunch was donated by Billy Graham and his wife. Donations collected from the members were placed in the Island account. Thanks for a great lunch!

New Members

Our Island welcomed four new members! Don Estes, Harvey Wagner, Bob Sauser, and Ken Kittel. We hope for several more new members next year!

Use of the Vet's Club is now \$75.00. A motion was made (by Bob Proctor) and seconded (by Jimmy Hough) to have our Treasurer write a check for \$75.00 to the Aurora Vets Club from the Island. (Motion passed unanimously).

Bronze Seabee flag holders/seals

The bronze Seabee flag holders/seals were well received by the membership! Members unanimously thanked Bill Williams and the committee for leadership in the development of the plaque. Several decisions were made concerning the plaques.

Members unanimously agreed, to send a bronze Seabee flag holder/seal to the family of any deceased member of our Island. (Motion was made by Bill Williams-2nd Gailen Young).

Motion was made (Ron Glasser – 2nd Bob Proctor) to give a bronze Seabee flag holder/seal to Representative Adrian Smith for his grandfather, who was a Seabee. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made (Carrol Applegate – 2nd Jimmy Hough) to approve the sale of bronze Seabee flag holders/seals to the Seabee Museums retail stores for \$5.00 over our cost, so they can retail them there. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made (Henry White – 2nd Gailen Young) to send a bronze Seabee flag holder/seal to the family of SW3 Eric Knott, a young Seabee who was killed in action in Iraq. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made (Harlan Compton – 2nd Carrol Applegate) to reimburse the family of Jean Fells (recently deceased member of the Island) for the purchase of the Seabee flag holder that they had made through our website (at the retail price). Motion passed unanimously.

More discussion concerning the plaques was conducted by the membership. Bill Williams explained that an average of \$10.00 profit each was the "goal" we attempted when we set the retail price for the sale of the bronze Seabee flag holders/seals. There is a possibility that the Seabee National Museum will retail our bronze Seabee plaques/flag holders. The Facebook page established by Bill Williams has greatly enhanced the exposure of the bronze Seabee flag holders/seals nationwide. Several ideas were discussed as to how profits made on the bronze markers should be used by the Island. One idea, that was converted to a motion (Gailen Young – 2nd Bob Proctor) was that the Island should pay the registration fee for one member to the National N.S.V.A. Convention/All Seabee Reunion in Gulfport, MS, October 9th-12, 2012. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made (Carrol Applegate – 2nd Harlan Compton) that profits from sale of the flag holder/seals should be used purchase a Brick at the Port Hueneme, Seabee Museum, in the name of our Island X-1, Kearney, NE (the bricks are \$125.00 each). Motion passed unanimously.

Bill Williams suggested that our Island X-1 give financial support to the CEC Historical Foundation in Gulfport, MS. No amount was determined at this time. The membership committed to revisiting this issue at our next meeting (July of 2013) when we have a better sense of the profits from the sale of our Seabee flag holders/seals.

It was moved (Henry White, 2nd – Bob Proctor) that in the event that our Island should ever become defunct, the ownership of the mold (used to make the bronze flag holders/seals) shall automatically transfer to the N.S.V. A. National organization (consistent with the national by-laws) with our Island X-1's recommendation that all proceeds be given to a "Seabee Memorial Scholarship Fund". This transfer of ownership would include any/all rights of production and any/all royalties from the sale of any bronze Seabee flag holders/seals generated from our mold at Centec Cast Metal Products in Fremont, OH. (Motion unanimously approved)

For the record, it should be noted that in reference to bronze Seabee flag holders/seals, that \$224.00 of our current balance in the Bank of the West Account is from the sale of (8) flag holder/seals at the 2012 reunion. Of the (30) bronze Seabee flag holders/seals brought to the meeting (20) were given to members who contributed "seed money" to the making of the Seabee flag holder/seal mold at our last year's reunion, (1) will go to the deceased Seabee (SW3 Eric Knott), (1) will go to Congressman Smith's grandfather and (8) were sold to new members of our Island at "our cost". We are working on coordinating the presentation of the bronze Seabee flag holder/seal to the Congressman and the one to the family of SW3 Eric Knott. Hopefully these presentations will be at the same time.

Election of Officers

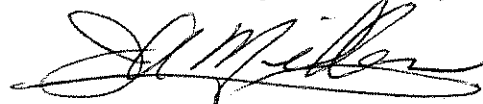
Officers for 2012-2013 were discussed and names nominated. Bill Williams was elected as Commander. Bob Proctor was elected as Senior Vice Commander. Both were the only nominees and both were elected by unanimous vote. Jim Miller accepted the appointment to remain as Secretary/Treasurer and Roger Miner was again appointed as Chaplain.

These officers for 2012- 2013 were sworn in by Commander Graham.

A motion was made by Bob Proctor to adjourn the meeting. All agreed unanimously

"CAN DO" Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,



Secretary/Treasurer, Jim Miller



Commander, Bill Williams

NOTE: As of the July 17, 2012 Deposit, there was a total of \$1,871.36 in the Island X-1 account. (Profit from sale of bronze Seabee flag holders/seals is included). Bills to be paid are for annual member's dues to National and the cost of two mailings.

Notice #1 - Next Year's Reunion

Saturday, July 13th 2013

Muster 0900 hours

Aurora Vets Club

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IF YOU HAVE EMAIL, PLEASE EMAIL US AT millerjimian@charter.net AND/OR nebraskaseabees@gmail.com SO WE CAN REMAIN IN CONTACT THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

