

February 7, 2000-Lake Thurmond Provisional Squadron Minutes

A provisional planning meeting was held on 7 February 2000 at the home of June and Jack Haffeman at 10:30. There were 18 members in attendance. It was determined that a quorum was present. The minutes were read and approved.

The eight members who attended the National USPS Convention in Orlando gave their report on the convention. Those attending were Don & Dottie Daly, Frank & Verna Clayton, June & Jack Haffeman, and John & Alice Powers.

Mike Slapak introduced the Provisional Bylaws for Thurmond Lake Provisional Squadron. Copies were made available to the members. After an explanation of the standard Provisional Bylaws was given, John Powers made the motion to accept the Bylaws; June Haffeman seconded. They passed by a vote of membership.

According to the Provisional Bylaws, the squadron will have a Commander, Educational Officer and a Secretary/Treasurer. The membership nominated and unanimously elected the following: Frank Clayton, N - Commander

John Watts, S - Educational Officer

Alice Powers, S - Secretary/Treasurer

Frank Clayton recommended that there be three members at large elected to serve on the Bridge. The membership nominated and unanimously elected the following:

Jack Haffeman (Exec.)

Fran Slapak (Treasurer)

Don Daly (Admin)

The remaining officers and committees were selected at this time. All members were assigned/elected to a post. Any vacant post will be assigned to new membership as our squadron grows. (See attached)

The commander shared a design by Doris Watts for our new squadron burgee. He gave copies of the burgee design to the members present. After a brief discussion, Mike Slapak moved to accept the design, Bill Voigt seconded and the members voted to accept the design and submit it to the National Flag Etiquette Committee.

The commander read a letter that is being sent to R/C C.A. Miller, JN along with a copy of the Provisional Bylaws, and also a letter that is being sent to V/C Theodore Smith, N, National Executive Officer requesting the kit for forming a new charter. All necessary qualifications have been met.

The dues' structure was discussed. It is as follows: (see attached)

A special membership dues for clergy in the area was John Watts made the motion that only dues to National and District be required from them. The local squadron dues would be waived. Ron Ivins seconded the motion. It was passed by a unanimous vote.

The master Activities Calendar for 2000 was given to members. This calendar shows all the meeting, activities and courses from February through December. (See attached) The chairpersons of the various groups will finalize the details.

Frank gave an explanation for taking certain courses in sequence. The elective courses can be taken at any time. Sequence is not a factor.

There will be a District Meeting at Hilton Head March 10 & 11. The Slapaks Claytons, Haffemans, Dalys and Watts will be attending.

The commander gave Job descriptions to the individual officers.

The March dinner meeting will be a joint meeting with Savannah River Squadron at SLV. The final plans for this meeting were discussed. The specific plans for menu choice and price were given to the Programs Committee to finalize.

Recruitment of new members is a major focus for the entire squadron. Tom Courneya has organized a system that will expedite recruitment. The squadron will interact with Tom and will work from a Master List. This will prevent duplicate recruiting from occurring

The March 13th Public Informational meeting will help stimulate new member interest as well recruit members for a Boat Smart Course beginning March 27th". All present squadron members are encouraged to advertise these two events in order to expand our membership count this spring.

The only new business was a Safety Alert System for Lake Thurmond. The need for this is recognized and will be discussed more fully at a later date.

They're being no further business; the meeting was adjourned at 14:30.

Respectively submitted,

Alice IL Powers, Secretary