

28 Oct 2021

## USS Arleigh Burke Association Annual Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: 1932

Attendance: Rick Easton, Rob Jobrack, Mark Fortune, Pat Joy, Kenyon Hiser, Ron Struewing, Chuck Killian, Ray Weber, Tom Morgan, Steve Wacker, Kirk Lippold, Chris Grover, Nevin Carr, Mike Weisskopf, Peter Hsu

Welcome Remarks and Introduction from Association President, Rick Easton

Treasurer's Report (Rob Jobrack): Balance is good, revenue is healthy. Special thanks to Rick Easton for his efforts in getting corporate sponsorship. Dues reminders to be sent out for 2021. Ron Struewing and Mark Fortune became lifetime members

Secretary Report (Mark Fortune): Sent out multiple emails during the year to include three newsletters and updates on the 30<sup>th</sup> Commissioning Anniversary Celebration planning and changes. Updated the Website information. I am always looking for New Members and former Crewmembers. Special thanks to Kenyon Hiser and Ron Struewing for their efforts with the website updates and putting together the newsletters respectively.

President's Update (Rick Easton):

1. 2021 has been a good year for the Association despite having to move the 30<sup>th</sup> Commissioning Anniversary Celebration twice
2. Would like a ship commitment for the 30<sup>th</sup> Commissioning Anniversary Celebration by March/April timeframe from RADM McLane
3. Discussed the Admiral Arleigh Burke Foundation (AABF) and its association to the recently established National Museum of the Surface Navy (NMSN). Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the NMSN and the AABF signed by the key stakeholders (Admiral Morgan and Carr for the AABF). The MOU provides for the NMSN to include an Admiral Arleigh Burke exhibit
4. 2020 Administered Anchor Scholarship was funded and presented to Emma Wappelhorst
5. Logos for the Association and Foundation created. Special thanks to Chuck Killian

Officer Election: 2022 USS Arleigh Burke Association Officer nominations: Kenyon Hiser motioned to keep the current officers, Tom Morgan second. All present voted aye

USS Arleigh Burke 30<sup>th</sup>/31<sup>st</sup> Commissioning Anniversary Plans – COVID 19 continued impact – Looking for help in the Norfolk area with planning. Steve Wacker volunteered to help. Specifically we need help with Golf, Picnic, Tides

Baseball. The Marriott is available for those dates. However, the room rate increased from \$129 to \$159 due to 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend. A new registration form will be sent out in early January. Possible that the ship could be a Mayport ship or a new construction ship.

2022 USS Arleigh Burke Association Administered Anchor Scholarship funding: Rob Jobrack motioned to commit to \$2500 with authorization up to \$3500 if donations will allow, Tom Morgan second. All present voted aye. Rob Jobrack sought donations from the members that participated in the Annual Meeting telcon and recorded those pledges.

2021 Arleigh Burke Foundation funding: Rob Jobrack motioned to take \$500 from the association funds to cover expenses of the Arleigh Burke Foundation, Mark Fortune second. All present voted aye

Support of the draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the USS Arleigh Burke Association and the Admiral Arleigh Burke Chapter (AABC) of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) – Association Board of Directors has approved and will execute the MOU

2022 Association Goals/Priorities: 30<sup>th</sup>/31<sup>st</sup> Commissioning Anniversary Celebration and Former Crew Reunion, 2022 USS Arleigh Burke Association Administered Anchor Scholarship, Admiral Arleigh Burke Foundation, The Destroyerman Newsletters. Mark Fortune motioned to approve the 2022 USS Arleigh Burke Association goals, Ron Stuewing seconded. All present voted aye

Call to close: 2032