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Minutes: General Membership Meeting October 5, 2012.

The meeting was called to order by President Mishenko at 1111. 18 members in attendance. Welcome Chuck Hoepfner (LM transfer to 367 from FRA in Everett WA), welcome back Jack Wilbanks and welcome aboard new member Terry “Ski.”

CONDUCTED OPENING CEREMONIES.

Recruiting award presented to Bill Bay for recruiting three new members this recruiting year. Well done shipmate!

Communications

Minutes from last GMM approved. All routine correspondence from National and Northwest region will be posted on the Read Board and only significant correspondence will be read. Read letter from San Antonio Little League Chairman Irwin Mata requesting help with sponsoring a little league baseball team (this is a no-brainer).

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Treasurer: Treas report read and accepted as read. Rent paid for Oct. \$8.4K+ total in bank (combined USD and PHP).

Americanism and Patriotism: NSTR

Hospital and Welfare: Shipmate Pat Kane: no change. No response from letter sent to his son in the States—it sure would be nice to catch him. Dave Davis at home and doing OK.

Membership: We continue to hold our own. Reminder that ANY FRA member can sign up new members; not just the secretary! New Life member transfer in Chuck Hoepfner and new member Terry “Ski.”

Building and Maintenance:

1. Wet weather has held up outside painting.
2. Inside Pearl Harbor memorial continues

Canteen: Made a modest profit again this

Youth Activities and LAFRA update:

1. Butch Hugley Memorial Youth Darts tournament at FRA on Oct 7. FRA will sponsor the top four females and top four males in a national dart tournament in Manila on Oct 20 and 21. We will provide shirts (with our logo) and some financial support.
2. Pres, VP and Sec met with Butch Echiverre to coordinate this and other youth activities.
3. Little League Baseball discussion. More on this under good of the order.

Retired Affairs: FRA 367 E-Mail List mentioned again. Anyone not on the list, let the sec know.

Public Affairs: NTR. Still looking for a PAO.

UNFINISHED AND DEFERRED BUSINESS:

1. Shipmate relief fund discussion
2. Motion Doty, Second Inskeep to keep relief fund money separate from “FRA money” so we do not need to include a relief fund provision in our by-laws. We will utilize as we see fit.
3. Internet still down: Rich Moran has been banging his head against the smartbro (ISP) bulkhead for a while over this. Techs are supposed to show on Sat, Oct 6.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. BOD meeting minutes discussed in detail. See Oct BOD minutes for more info.
2. Motion Doty, second Wilbanks to provide up to P7000 for the world famous FRA 367 chili cooking team to cover entry fees, transportation

and ingredients. Approved unan. We will be going up to La Union on a party bus again this year—it was a blast last year.

3. Canteen price increase on Nov 1, 2012. Prices go up P5 for members (regular, allied and associate) and P10 for non-members. Intent is to encourage membership. We get youth activities money from associate membership.
4. Need a PAO to get more pics on our web site and to get pics with words to NHQ for the magazine. Last picture in the FRA magazine was President Dan Steakley and Secretary Simms performing a Two-Bell at Clark Veterans Cemetery a few years back.

OLD BUSINESS: Please, no parking at the entrance and any place else that inconveniences or endangers our patrons.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

1. Motion Moore, second Randolph to provide P3k from FRA funds to help our youth darters in the Manila dart tournament. We paid P2k for their shirts. Approved unan.
2. Motion Doty, second Randolph for FRA funds to provide the difference between individual donations and the total required for 16 baseball uniforms. Approved unan. Note: it minimal time and effort for our shipmates to cover all uniform expenses (P14K) for the San Antonio Shipmates Little League Baseball team—no FRA money needed.
3. RSL Angeles City Australia Day Curry Cook-off in January. We have already committed to going and have reserved a full tent this year—we were overwhelmed last year and almost run out of the dang thing by our tent co-inhabitant who was running a resto/bar business in the same tent we were cooking in. Letter drafted and sent to RSL president on this by-the-way.
4. FRA Branch 367's 35th birthday in February 2013.
5. Navy Birthday on Oct 13, 2012. Potluck and cake at the branch home. We expect a visit from the Pres and VP of FRA Branch 103 in Yokosuka, Japan. FRA 103 was the largest organization donor in our Save The Building Fund. Shipmate Sandlin set up WWII US Navy ship model display (33 ships) in the library on the pool table. It really is an impressive display and must have taken him hundreds of hours to build. He is looking for a place to donate this—I think it is in the best lace it could possibly be now (I'm not a pool player ;-))

6. FRALICS Double Header discussion: still thinking about doing a chili cook off on the Sat and a Curry cook-off on the Sun of FRALICS 2013 weekend next year. We need to test the waters on this to see who would be interested on participating. And, we need someone to run the curry side.
7. La Union chili cook-off: bus sign-up list at the bar. We still need team members. We used my recipe last year and it s, well we lost. We need a new recipe.
8. VFW 11447 Beach Bash 2013 will be at driftwood Beach. 7-10 Feb 2013.
9. 50/50 raffle: P1750 to Don Randolph; P1750 to the Relief Fund. Don donated P1000 to the San Antonio Shipmates Baseball fund. Thanks Shipmate!

CONDUCTED CLOSING CEREMONIES

Meeting adjourned at 1236.

Submitted:

Approved:

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