

**SDSPS ExCom Meeting**  
**9 October 2007**

Meeting commenced at 19:04. A quorum was present.

Attendees:

Cdr Ted Bowler  
AO Mike Collins  
SEO Mike Fontaine  
Treas. Claudia Bowler  
Sec'y Diann Nephew  
Mbr-at-Large John Anderson

Guests:

J. Brockway Clark  
Bob Hubbard  
Ed Mraz

A motion to adopt the minutes of the September 2007 Executive Committee meeting as published was seconded and passed unanimously.

**Announcements:**

**Officer's Reports:**

Commander's Department

Commander Ted Bowler discussed the following items:

District 28 Fall Conference – 12-13 October in Oceanside. Several SDSPS members are attending. California Department of Boating will be making a presentation. A total of 6 USPS University courses are available (4 more to come).

Sail Fleet – 13 October

Predicted Log – 20 October, sponsored by SDSPS and Coronado Yacht Club, Steve Bakalis will be in charge of the BBQ

Articles for Ship's Mail due 15 October

GMM/Education Meeting – 9 November

Executive Department

Nancy Renzi was not present to give a report.

Education Department

Mike Fontaine reported that Piloting is slightly behind schedule and exams are to be handed out 9 October. Four session Boat Smart class in September had 7 students signed up with 6 taking the exam. Advanced Piloting is scheduled to start 15 October. Boating Class started 3 October. Mike noted that it takes at least 30 days to get class materials from National so materials need to be ordered well in advance of class start. Merit mark recommendations have been given to the Commander. Mike will not be at the November GMM. Bill Bridge will do a seminar sampler as the program for the meeting.

### Administrative Department

Mike Collins reported that a room at SWYC needs to be chosen for the November GMM, possibly the Staff Commodore Room. SWYC has been informed that a meal will be served and there will be approximately 30 people. An email will be sent to the members announcing the GMM. Possibly get a sign up on the website?

There was an excellent turnout for the September GMM. It was a grand success.

### Secretary's Department

Diann Nephew again made a request for suggestions or changes to the website.

### Treasurer's Department

Claudia Bowler reported that squadron finances were in good order. All bills are paid and receipts collected. There was a slight loss on expenses for the September GMM.

### **Old Business:**

Advertising Ships Mail – this topic will be discussed next year, waiting for enough advertising to fill a full page before it is implemented.

Membership Retention Person – Ted Bowler has volunteered.

Lifetime Achievement Awards – Irwin Pascoe and Tom Swift were both mentioned as candidates. Chester White, Dave & Marie Baer, and J. Brockway Clark will coordinate a presentation and award at the Change of Watch.

New Membership Pamphlet – Still a work in progress by Katie Law.

USPS University – Bob Gibbs needs to schedule a date with West Marine as soon as possible for the GPS class. Bob has 20 copies of the GPS course.

Name Tags – a new name tag maker was purchased for \$100.

By-Laws change – Bob Hubbard said National agreed with the change, we need to submit the revised By-Laws in their entirety along with a certification sheet to the representative at National.

### **New Business:**

Purchases in 2007 – Computer, Laminator, and Dreamweaver program. Needs to be submitted to Kathy Romero (along with any serial numbers) to be added to the property list.

Merit Marks – need submissions from all departments.

Teaching Aids – John Centorbi has created 2 more aids. Mike Fontaine brought in paperwork regarding a competition on Teaching Aids in Texas; a copy was given to John C. Ed Mraz suggest that John C. look at the website to review last years winners.

Website – possibly ad a “How To Join” link on the site.

John Isaksen has resigned as membership person and as a Member at Large.

Next GMM Meeting – 9 November.

Meeting adjourned at 20:28. Next ExCom meeting will be 6 November 2007.

Respectfully submitted,  
Diann Nephew, Secretary