

UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS  
DISTRICT 31 FALL COUNCIL MINUTES  
26 OCTOBER 2007  
Rogers, Arkansas

District Commander Earl Rose, SN was ill and did not attend the Council Meeting.

District Executive Officer William Miller, P called the meeting to order at 1930 in the Embassy Suites Hotel in Rogers, Arkansas.

R/C Sandra Johnson, AP gave the Invocation

District Executive Officer William Miller, P led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The District Secretary Margaret Miller, S verified that there was a quorum for this council meeting. There are 21 possible voting members of the council. Thirteen voting members signed in. The council members attending the council meeting were District Executive Officer William Miller, P; District Educational Officer Tom Unger, SN; Assistant Educational Officer Larry Stout, AP; District Administrative Officer Ronald Roeseler, SN; District Treasurer Susan Unger, N; District Secretary Margaret Miller, S; Past District Commander Mary Lou Charlton, AP District Nominating Committee Chairman Bruce Albertson, SN; District Planning Committee Chairman Marilyn Rose, P; Squadron Commander of Beaver Lake Robert Baureis, AP; Squadron Commander of Grand Lake Terry Chastain, AP; Squadron Commander of Oklahoma City Mark Anglin, P; Educational Officer of Beaver Lake Tom Unger, SN; Educational Officer of Grand Lake Richard E. Pett, S; Educational Officer of Norman Oklahoma Stf/C Steven Johnson, AP; and Educational Officer Alice Whittington, JN, of Oklahoma City.

Members and Guests that attended the council were Elsie Rolandelli, AP; P/D/C Julian Rolandelli, AP; Lt/C John Fairhead; Lt/C Nancy Gibson; R/C Sandra Johnson, AP; Allen Long; L David Sloan, S and P/C Jackson Dean, AP;

The National Representative Stf/C Steve Johnson, AP was introduced to the Council Members. Steve said that one of his jobs at this meeting was to take back to national any concerns members of the District 31 might have.

Allen Long, of the Memphis United States Power Squadron, formerly a member of the Beaver Lake Sail and Power Squadron was introduced. Dave Sloan, Assistant Educational Officer from Grand Lake, and Nancy Gibson, Administrative officer, from Beaver Lake were introduced as first timers attending a council.

**The Summer Council Minutes July 2007 were posted on the web site. D/Lt/C Tom Unger, SN moved these minutes be approved. P/D/C Mary Lou Charlton, AP seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.**

## **BRIDGE REPORTS**

District Executive Officer William Miller, P

A report was printed and in the packet. An article was also written for *The Daymark*.

District Educational Officer Tom Unger, SN announced that he will give a seminar entitled, "Futures of USPS from an Educational Standpoint." His seminar will give information about the Boat operators certification program.

District Treasurer Susan Unger, N announced that there was a positive amount of \$600. The income was \$7,351.00. Membership numbers were down so the membership income was down. The District made about \$100 on the ship's store. The District lost money on the Spring Conference by about \$400. When Little Rock Sail and Power Squadron dissolved, they sent \$1385.00 into the District Treasurer. That put the District income amount on the positive side. Expenses were over what was budgeted. Seamanship class incentives for squadrons was an expense not budgeted. \$400 has already been paid to two different squadrons. \$420 expense for the National Representative had not been budgeted.

District Secretary Margaret K. Miller, S gave no report.

District Commander Earl Rose, SN through P/R/C Marilyn Rose, P thanked everyone for helping through the year.

## **GENERAL COMMITTEES**

report was given by P/D/C Bruce Albertson, SN. The Committee could not find people willing to fill positions

**Auditing Committee** – No Report

**Nominating Committee** – P/D/C Bruce Albertson, SN, reported the Committee could not find people willing to fill positions of the District Administrative Officer and District Secretary. There are positions open on committees too.

## 2007 – 2008 Slate of Officer for District 31

### District Bridge

Commander P/C William A. Miller, P	Grand Lake
Executive Officer P/R/C Marilyn Rose, P	Tulsa
Educational Officer P/D/C Thomas Unger, SN	Beaver Lake
Asst. Educational Officer P/C Larry Stout, AP	Grand Lake
Treasurer D/Lt/C Susan Unger, N	Beaver Lake
Asst. Treasurer P/C Mariellen Boren, JN	Oklahoma City
Administrative Officer	OPEN
Secretary	OPEN

### General Committees

#### Auditing Committee

P/C Paul Keller, P	2008	Oklahoma City
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#### Rules Committee

Connie Spicer, S	2008	Grand Lake
P/C Byron Lake, AP	2009	Beaver Lake
P/C John Morgan, AP	2010	Okla .City

#### Planning Committee

Stf/C Steven Johnson, AP	2008	Norman
P/D/C Jules Lachance, JN	2009	Okla City
D/ 1 <sup>st</sup> /L Carol Chalupnik, S	2010	Grand Lake
D/1 <sup>st</sup> /L Margaret Miller, S	2011	Grand Lake

#### Nominating Committee

Chair: P/D/C Bruce Albertson, SN	2008	Okla City
P/D/C Mary Lou Charlton, AP	2009	Beaver Lake
P/D/C Earl Rose, JN	2010	Tulsa

The Slate was presented by the Chairman of the Nominating Committee, P/D/C Bruce Albertson, SN.

## STANDING COMMITTEES

### Educational Fund

P/D/C Julian Rolandelli, AP reported that the District has qualified for the Certificate of Merit. Every squadron in District 31 donated one dollar for every active member in their squadron toward the National USPS Educational Fund. The Little Rock Squadron donated \$1,000 to the fund.

### Finance and Budget

D/Lt/C Margaret Miller put together a budget and asked the Council to look at the proposed budget in the packet. The budget items were created from the District Treasurer's listing of checks written for the year 31 August 2006 to 1 September 1 2007. The proposed budget was compared to actual and budgeted expenses for 2006 to 2007. The proposed budget was based on 380 members joining the District next year, 2008.

The question was asked as to whether or not district would follow National's lead charging 100 percent (\$8.00) for a single member and 150 percent (\$12) for a family unit. P/D/C Julian Rolandelli, AP and District Treasurer Susan Unger, N made a study independent of one another and found that only a slight amount of money was lost. The study was based on charging district dues of \$8.00 for a single active and \$12.00 for a family unit.

**P/D/C Bruce Albertson, SN moved that the District assessment should be changed so that an active would be charged \$8.00 a year for district assessment. A family unit should be assessed \$12.00 a year to bring the District 31 assessments in line with the National USPS dues structure. This assessment should be brought before the District 31 Conference. P/R/C Marilyn Rose, P seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.**

**P/R/C Mary Lou Charlton, AP moved that funds be transferred from the District Savings to the income side of the proposed budget to make it a balanced budget. P/D/C Bruce Albertson, SN seconded the motion. The Motion passed unanimously.**

There was discussion on the 1 Sept 2007 - 31 August 2008 proposed budget. Some items were changed and with the agreement of the council, the corrected proposed budget will be presented to the District Council in the morning 27 October 2007. A vote will be taken at that time on the amended proposed budget.

### Awards – No Report

## **Old Business**

Policy and Procedure Manual – P/R/C Marilyn Rose, P said the report would be given at the conference.

## **New Business**

The District Executive Officer Bill Miller, P announced that the Spring 2008 Council and Conference would be the 21 and 22 of March 2008 in Tulsa, Oklahoma at the Holiday Inn Express. The Summer Council meeting will be 26 July 2008 and the Fall Council and Conference will be 24 and 25 October 2008 in Oklahoma City.

A change in the agenda for the 27 October 2007 Conference in the afternoon was announced. All new 2008 District Bridge members, council members and any interested District 31 members were asked to meet after lunch instead of the break up sessions. The discussion was to focus on the future of District 31.

Tulsa Boat Show is 28 January to 3 February 2008.

District is looking for the District Banner that was made in the **winter of 2006 for the Tulsa boat show.**

The District Council Meeting was recessed until 0845 27 of October 2007.

The District Executive Officer Bill Miller, P reconvened the Council Meeting.

The amended Proposed Budget for 31 August 2007 to 1 September 2008 was passed out to the Council.

**Squadron Educational Officer R. Gene Pett, S moved the Amended Proposed Budget for 31 August 2007 to 1 September 2008 be accepted. District Educational Officer Tom Unger, SN seconded the motion. The Motion passed unanimously.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Margaret K. Miller, S  
**Secretary District 31**