



Call to the Annual Meeting

15 January 2016

TO: All Members of United States Power Squadrons

SUBJECT: CALL FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING - 20 February 2016

In accordance with Section 9.3.1 of the *USPS Bylaws*, the Annual Meeting of the Governing Board (to which all members are welcome and cordially invited to attend) has been called to meet at 0900 on Saturday, 20 February 2016, at the Rosen Centre, Orlando, Florida, for the purpose of acting on matters set forth below:

- I To receive and act upon reports of officers and committees.
- II To elect a Board of Directors, national officers, the chairmen and members of the general and standing committees, the chairmen and assistant chairmen of the departmental committees, and general members of the Governing Board. (See *Report of the Committee on Nominations* which is incorporated into and made a part of this *Call*.)
- III To consider and act upon any other business that may properly come before this meeting.

V/C Peter W. Mitchelson, SN
National Secretary

DRESS CODE:

Sunday to Thursday - USPS casual or other appropriate attire.

Thursday evening - Blazer w/tie or appropriate after-six attire

Friday - Day: Uniform T: tropical Hawaiian style shirt (preferred), USPS blazer with tie, open-collar or USPS polo shirt or other appropriate attire

Saturday daytime: Uniform F. **Men:** Regulation long-sleeve white shirt/black four-in-hand tie/black uniform trousers, black belt (if worn), black socks, black shoes, or other appropriate attire. **Ladies:** Regulation long-sleeve white blouse with black cross-over tie, black skirt or slacks, black shoes, black purse (if carried) or other appropriate attire.

Saturday evening: Uniform A with bow tie or USPS blazer with tie for men; evening attire or party dresses for women.

Report of the Committee on Rules

With the concurrence of the USPS Board of Directors, the Committee on Rules recommends the following revisions to the *USPS Bylaws* to be effective as of the adjournment of the 2016 Governing Board.

CURRENT

Article 5, Section 5.2 Under Governing Board

The Governing Board shall consist of the chief commander; the vice commanders; the rear commanders; the district commanders; the district educational officers; members of the general committees; the squadron commanders; past chief commanders; past vice commanders who have served a minimum of two full elected terms as such; Governing Board members emeriti; squadron delegates as provided in Section 10.2 and *elected general members* at the rate of 600 active members of USPS in good standing as of the first day of **March**. The number of general members shall not be exceeded by the total number of Rear Commanders.

REVISED

Article 5, Section 5.2 Under Governing Board

The Governing Board shall consist of the chief commander; the vice commanders; the rear commanders; the district commanders; the district educational officers; members of the general committees; the squadron commanders; past chief commanders; past vice commanders who have served a minimum of two full elected terms as such; Governing Board members emeriti; squadron delegates as provided in Section 10.2 and *elected general members* at the rate of 600 active members of USPS in good standing as of the first day of **October**. The number of general members shall not be exceeded by the total number of Rear Commanders.

Rationale

With this revision the calculation relating to Governing Board members would need to be run only once in October and the Committee on Nominations would not be required to contact the District Commanders for their new recommendations.

CURRENT

Article 8, Section 8.2 New members joining as a result of the efforts of a provisional squadron may be admitted as unattached members assigned to the provisional squadron until the provisional squadron is chartered.

REVISED

Article 8, Section 8.2 New members and members transferring to a provisional squadron may be admitted as members assigned to the provisional squadron and to the sponsoring district it is assigned to, before and until the provisional squadron is officially chartered.

Rationale

In order to clarify that provisional squadrons are part of a sponsoring district to which they are assigned and the district officers have access to member information of the provisional squadron.

Add New

Article 8, Section 8.4 Members of a provisional squadron that is for any reason dissolved or fails to meet the requirements to charter shall be transferred to the closest squadron of their choosing, their original squadron or to the Internet Membership squadron.

Rationale

To clarify what actions shall take place should a provisional squadron be dissolved.

CURRENT

Article 11, Section 11.2 No member shall be eligible for election to office at an **Annual Meeting** unless nominated (1) by the Committee on Nominations or (2) by a petition (a) signed by at least 10 active members from each of at least six squadrons, such squadrons being components of not fewer than three districts and (b) filed with the national secretary not less than **30** days prior to the Annual Meeting at which such election is to take place. Below each signature on such petition shall appear the hand-lettered or typed name, address, certificate number and squadron affiliation of the signer.

REVISED

Article 11, Section 11.2 No member shall be eligible for election to office by the **Governing Board** unless nominated (1) by the Committee on Nominations or (2) by a petition (a) signed by at least 10 active members from each of at least six squadrons, such squadrons being components of not fewer than three districts and (b) filed with the national secretary not less than **15** days prior to the governing board at which such election is to take place. Below each signature on such petition shall appear the hand-lettered or typed name, address, certificate number and squadron affiliation of the signer.

Rationale

USPS now only conducts Governing Board Meetings (albeit one is titled or referred to as the Annual Meeting of the Governing Board). To revise the time limit for filing petitions to give members time to receive the call and then file the petition.

CURRENT

Article 11, Section 11.3 No member shall be eligible for election to office by the Governing Board unless nominated (1) by the Committee on Nominations or (2) by petition signed by at least 25 members of the Governing Board and filed with the National Secretary at least 20 days prior to the meeting of the Governing Board at which such election is to take place.

REVISED

Article 11, Section 11.3 Delete in its entirety and mark Reversed

Rationale

With revision of Section 11.2 the requirements specified in 11.3 are now moot.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee on Rules
Stf/C Ralph A. Bernard, AP
P/R/C John Bradley, SN
Lt Harold W. Howard, SN
P/D/C W. Lyle Rea, SN
D/Lt/C John Sherrick, JN
P/R/C Wayne G. Spraggins, SN
R/C Robert A. Keller, SN, Chairman

NOMINEES FOR GENERAL MEMBERS OF THE 2016 GOVERNING BOARD

Report of the Committee on Nominations

In accordance with *USPS Bylaws*, Article 11, Section 11.6, "Each annual meeting of the Governing Board shall elect (a) the Chief Commander, the National Executive Officer, the National Educational Officer, the National Administrative Officer, the National Secretary, the National Treasurer and a Past Chief Commander, all of whom shall serve as officers and directors of USPS". The Committee on Nominations unanimously recommends the election of the following members to serve:

For National Bridge Officers

Chief Commander

V/C Louie Ojeda, SN (Ponce/33)

National Executive Officer

V/C Gary P. Cheney, SN (Erie/11)

National Educational Officer

R/C Craig D. Fraser, SN (Akron Sail/7)

National Administrative Officer

R/C Mary Paige Abbott, SN (Sanibel Captiva Sail/22)

National Secretary

V/C Peter W. Mitchelson, SN (Sebastian Inlet Sail/8)

National Treasurer

V/C Robert C. Miller, SN (Poverty Bay/16)

For Members of USPS Board of Directors:

The above Bridge Officers and,
C/C Robert A. Baldrige, SN (Baton Rouge Sail/15)

NOMINEES FOR GENERAL MEMBERS OF THE 2016 GOVERNING BOARD

Debra K. Allen, AP	Lake Murray/26
Gene R. Alligood, AP	Pamlico Sail/27
Vincene A. Aquilato, S	City Island Sail/4
William Arcediano, SN	Baton Rouge Sail/15
David A. Atwood, JN	Cape Cod Sail/14
Michael J. Babiarz, AP	Grosse Pointe/9
Ann T. Bailey, AP	Raleigh Sail/27
Jane S. Brandenstein, SN	Pittsburgh/7
Jeffrey R. Davis, AP	St Paul Sail/10
Patricia A. Diehl	Balboa Sail/28
Robert DuBray, AP	Sandusky/29
Barbara Erickson, JN	Bellevue Sail/16
William J. Fehr, N	Banana River Sail/23
Marian Franck, SN	Miles River Sail/5
Ann E. Frenz, SN	Patchogue Bay/3
Michael D. Friedman, N	New York Sail/4
Jan Furtado, AP	Pompano Beach/8
Howard Gasaway Sr., P	Potomac River/5
Myles Gee, SN	Manatee Sail/22
Jeffrey C. Gerwig, AP	Darien Sail/2
Lorenzo Gonzalez-Aleman, SN	Arecibo/33
Nigel E. Hargreaves, SN	Sebastian Inlet Sail/8

Cheryl Jarrell, AP	New Orleans/15
Mary Lou Johnson	Diablo Sail/25
James A. Jones, SN	North Olympic Sail/16
Diane M. Julum, JN	Portland/32
Janet Marie Klumpp, AP	Mount Clemens/9
Kathleen G. Lambert, AP	Charles River Sail/12
Anthony C. Lewandowski, AP	Birmingham/9
Michael B. Ludtke, SN	Waukegan Sail/20
Veronica A. Mann, JN	Arrowhead Sail/13
Charles L. Marino, P	Waterbury/1
Claire M. McDonald, SN	Houston Sail/21
Liana F. Mihalca, SN	Akron Sail/7
Lois M. Nehmer-Schiff, SN	Dundalk Sail/5
Joyce Ann Newman, P	Palm Beach Sail/8
John Ozols, AP	Golden Corner Lakes Sail/26
Linda D. Parsons, S	Goldsboro Sail/27
Wayne F. Partie, SN	Boca Ciega Sail/22
Judith Ann Pennington, P	Peralta Sail/25
Mary J. Pierpont, SN	Austin/21
Larry G. Samuels, SN	Louisville Sail/24
Margaret M. Sherrod, SN	Atlanta Sail/17
Kent L. Simpson, AP	Four Rivers Sail/30
Howard A. Sklar, AP	Westchester Sail/2
Frederick B. Smith, AP	Peconic Bay/3
Everett W. Stebbins, AP	Portland Head Sail/19
Carole G. Tulip, JN	Annapolis Sail/5
Joanna K. Webster, AP	Poverty Bay Sail/16
Harvey R. Young, SN	Illinois Valley/20

Respectfully submitted,

P/R/C Donald Clark, SN
P/R/C Susan L. Darcy, JN
P/C/C Frank A. Dvorak, SN
P/R/C S. Patricia Greer, SN
P/D/C Connie J. Johnson, SN
P/V/C Joseph R. Mesenburg, SN
Stf/C William D. Selden V, AP
R/C Ellen Barbour, SN, Chairman

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS TO THE GOVERNING BOARD AT ITS FEBRUARY 2016 MEETING

In accordance with USPS *Bylaws* Section 11.6 and 11.7 it is the responsibility of the Governing Board to elect the chairmen and assistant chairmen of standing and departmental committees. Where appropriate, the following have the approval of the chief commander and recommendation of the vice commanders in charge of the department to which they are assigned. Accordingly, the Committee on Nominations unanimously presents the following nominations and recommends their election.

FOR REAR COMMANDERS (EX OFFICIO MEMBERS OF THE 2016 GOVERNING BOARD)

GENERAL COMMITTEES

Committee on Rules..... R/C Robert A. Keller, SN (Boca Ciega Sail/22)
Committee on Nominations..... Stf/C William D. Selden V, AP (Richmond Sail/5)

STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance..... R/C Ben Coons, JN (Hiawatha Valley Sail/10)
Law Officer..... R/C David L. Allen Jr., SN (Lake Murray/26)
Planning..... Stf/C William A. Johnson, SN (Phoenix Sail/28)

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT COMMITTEES

Cooperative Charting..... R/C Diane M. Julum, JN (Portland/32)
Environmental..... P/D/C Richard D. Daybell, SN (Alamitos/13)
Government & Partner Relations..... Stf/C Peter TenBrink, SN (Jones Beach/3)
Marketing..... Stf/C Paul D. Mermelstein, SN (Rockville Sail/5)
National Meetings..... R/C Robert D. Holub, SN (Jones Beach/3)
Public Relations..... R/C Gregory T. Scotten, SN (Peace River Sail/22)
Safety..... R/C Michael S. Wiedel, JN (Milwaukee Sail/10)

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT

Assistant Nat'l Educational Officer..... R/C Steven R. Abbott, SN (Sanibel Captiva Sail/22)
Assistant Nat'l Educational Officer..... R/C Kenneth L. Griffing, SN (Arrowhead Sail/13)
Basic Public Education..... Stf/C Richard L. Carson, JN (Perdido Bay/15)
Boat Handling..... R/C Chris L. Windeler, SN (Lackawanna Sail/4)
Boat Operator Certification..... R/C Scott D. McDonald, SN (Houston Sail/21)
Educational Outreach..... R/C William J. McManimen III, SN (Main Line Sail/5)
Electro-Mechanical Systems..... Stf/C Richard K. Edel, SN (Poverty Bay Sail/16)
Inland & Coastal Navigation..... Stf/C Eric Pearson, SN (Lake Murray/26)
Instructor Development..... R/C Tom Shuell, SN (Swiftwater Sail/6)
Marine Environment..... R/C Robert F. Anderson, AP (Bremerton Sail/16)
Offshore Navigation..... R/C Victor B. Schwartz, SN (Charleston Sail/26)
Program Partner Relations..... R/C Shirley D. Heald, AP (Dallas Sail/21)
Publishing..... R/C Priscilla B. Clarke, AP (Swiftwater Sail/6)

ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT

Leadership Development..... R/C Anita F. Walker, JN (Pompano Beach/8)
Member Benefits..... Stf/C John R. Rowland, SN (Peace River Sail/22)
Membership Committee..... R/C James L. Pahl-Washa, JN (Madison Sail/10)
Squadron Activities..... Stf/C Jerry Wayne Madden, AP (Shreveport Sail/21)
Squadron Development..... Stf/C L. Margaret Barber, SN (Sarasota/22)

SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT

Assistant Secretary..... R/C Howard E. Yoas, SN (Austin/21)
Communications..... Stf/C Kathleen Lambert, AP (Charles River Sail/12)
Heritage & Protocol..... Stf/C Kenneth Perigo, SN (Patuxent River Sail/5)
Information Technology..... R/C Donald P. Osmond, N (Charlotte/27)
Operations Manual..... Stf/C Micky McNelis, P (Dundalk Sail/5)
Ship's Store..... R/C William R. Gillette, AP (Key West Sail/8)

TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT

Budget Director..... R/C Kenneth Wilkinson, AP (Lake Charles Sail/21)

Budget Officers:
 Exec. & Secretary's Dept..... Stf/C Diana G. Jackson, SN (Sebastian Inlet Sail/8)
 Educ/Admin Dept..... Stf/C Lawrence W. Postel, SN (Great South Bay/3)

Cost Management..... R/C Gardham W. Comb, SN (Port Washington Sail/3)

FOR STAFF COMMANDERS

STANDING COMMITTEES

Asst/Ch Finance..... Stf/C David McMahon, AP (Raleigh Sail/27)
Asst Law Officer..... Stf/C Michael D. Friedman, N (New York Sail/4)
Asst/Ch Planning..... P/D/C Michael J. Skelley, AP (Minnetonka/10)

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Asst/Ch Cooperative Charting..... Stf/C Phillip A. Benson, JN (Rocky Mount/27)
Asst/Ch Cooperative Charting..... Stf/C Thomas Peltier, SN (Oyster Bay/3)
Asst/Ch Environmental..... Lt L. Douglas Jones, JN (Southport Sail/27)
Asst/Ch Government & Partner Relations..... Stf/C Robert E. Canfield, JN (Rockford/20)
Asst/Ch Government & Partner Relations..... D/C Dawn L. Flynn, JN (Lansing Sail/9)
Asst/Ch Government & Partner Relations..... Stf/C Gregory E. Korstad, AP (Minnetonka/10)
Asst/Ch Marketing..... Stf/C Glen Sherman, P (Peconic Bay/3)
Asst/Ch Marketing..... D/Lt Kenneth D. Link, SN (Fort Macon Sail/27)
Asst/Ch National Meetings..... Stf/C Arlene Anderson, AP (Hampton Roads/5)
Asst/Ch National Meetings..... Stf/C Mark B. Gathings, JN (Sacramento/25)
Asst/Ch National Meetings..... Cdr Sarah W. McCurry, AP (Shalotte River Sail/27)
Asst/Ch National Meetings..... Stf/C John Sanfilippo, AP (Peconic Bay/3)
Asst/Ch Public Relations..... Stf/C Delmer K. Henry, SN (The Valley Sail/13)
Asst/Ch Public Relations..... D/Lt Joanna K. Webster, AP (Poverty Bay Sail/16)
Asst/Ch Safety..... Stf/C Lorenzo Gonzalez-Aleman, SN (Arecibo/33)
Asst/Ch Safety..... Stf/C Amelia C. Seeley, P (Milwaukee Sail/10)

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT

Asst/Ch Basic Public Education..... Stf/C Luis Molero, N (San Juan/33)
Asst/Ch Basic Public Education..... D/1st/Lt Jack Purse, SN (Sanibel Captiva Sail/22)
Asst/Ch Boat Handling..... Stf/C William P. O'Neill, SN (Thurmond Lake Sail/26)
Asst/Ch Boat Operator Certification..... Stf/C Janet U. Lane, SN (Naples Sail/22)
Asst/Ch Educational Outreach..... Stf/C Kenneth T. Leque Jr., SN (Stark County/7)
Asst/Ch Educational Outreach..... Stf/C Andrew Sumberg, SN (Charles River Sail/12)
Asst/Ch Electro-Mechanical Systems..... P/C Barry Michael Williams, AP (Bremerton Sail/16)
Asst/Ch Inland & Coastal Nav..... P/D/C Burt Pearson III, SN (Raleigh Sail/27)

Asst/Ch Inland & Coastal Nav. 1st/Lt Ken Scherz, SN (Jacksonville Sail/23)
 Asst/Ch Instructor Development. Stf/C Robert Rayburn, SN (Columbus Sail/29)
 Asst/Ch Marine Environment. Stf/C Ronald H. Kessel, SN (Cape Cod Sail/14)
 Asst/Ch Marine Environment. D/Lt/C Charles J. Wells, SN (Rockville Sail/5)
 Asst/Ch Offshore Navigation. Stf/C Pat Antoni, SN (Skokie Valley Sail/20)
 Asst/Ch Offshore Navigation. Stf/C Stanley L. Klein, SN (Middletown/1)
 Asst/Ch Program Partner Relations. Stf/C John D. Miller Jr., JN (Hilton Head Sail/26)
 Asst/Ch Publishing. Stf/C Thomas J. Brincka, SN (Barnegat Bay Sail/4)
 Asst/Ch Publishing. Stf/C Al C. Bruhin, SN (Port St. Lucie/8)
 Asst/Ch Publishing. Stf/C Robert L. Potter, SN (Kankakee Valley Sail/20)

ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT

Asst/Ch Leadership Development. Stf/C Mary Dodd, SN (Palm Beach Sail/8)
 Asst/Ch Leadership Development. Stf/C Miguel Lugo, JN (Carolina Sail/33)
 Asst/Ch Leadership Development. Stf/C Harold W. O'Briant Jr., JN (Fort Macon Sail/27)
 Asst/Ch Member Benefits. D/Lt Barbara Erickson, JN (Bellevue Sail/16)
 Asst/Ch Membership Committee. Stf/C Linda LaLonde, P (Dearborn Sail/9)
 Asst/Ch Membership Committee. Stf/C Wayne Lambert, AP (Charles River Sail/12)
 Asst/Ch Membership Committee. Stf/C Robert F. Howd, JN (Fort Macon Sail/27)
 Asst/Ch Squadron Activities. Lt Myles Gee, SN (Manatee Sail/22)
 Asst/Ch Squadron Activities. Stf/C James Strothers, SN (Sanibel Captiva Sail/22)
 Asst/Ch/Squadron Development. Stf/C Deborah Rothermel, AP (Dallas Sail/21)

SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT

Asst/Ch Communications. Stf/C Cheryl Jarrell, AP (New Orleans/15)
 Asst/Ch Communications. P/Lt/C Barbara M. Pearson, AP (Lake Murray/26)
 Asst/Ch Heritage & Protocol. D/Lt Kent L. Simpson, AP (Four Rivers Sail/30)
 Asst/Ch Heritage & Protocol. D/Lt Howard A. Sklar, AP (Westchester Sail/2)
 Asst/Ch Information Technology. Stf/C Carl Filios, SN (Berkshire Sail/2)
 Asst/Ch Operations Manual. Lt/C Anna Morris, JN (Tampa/22)
 Asst/Ch Ship's Store. Stf/C Linda R. Mangelsdorf, JN (Mid-Hudson/2)
 Asst/Ch Ship's Store. D/Lt/C Claire M. McDonald, SN (Houston Sail/21)

TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT

Asst/Budget Off/Exec/Secretary's Dept. P/D/C James V. Harden Jr., JN (Olympia Sail/16)
 Asst/Budget Off/Educ/Admin Dept. P/D/C Raymond H. Nylander, JN (Lackawanna Sail/4)

GENERAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

In accordance with *USPS Bylaws* Section 11.7 and upon recommendation of their respective chairmen, and with the approval of the chief commander, the Committee on Nominations is pleased to recommend the following members for appointment in 2016 by this Governing Board:

COMMITTEE ON RULES

Members of the Committee. Stf/C Ralph A. Bernard, AP (Absecon Island/5)
..... Lt Harold W. Howard, SN (Peace River Sail/22)
..... P/D/C W. Lyle Rea, SN (Peace River Sail/22)
..... P/R/C Wayne G. Spraggins, SN (Berea/7)
..... P/D/C H. Jay Stevens, SN (South Bend Sail/9)
..... D/Lt Richard Zucchi, SN (Barnegat Bay Sail/4)

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Members of the Committee. P/C/C John T. Alter, SN (Raleigh Sail/27)
..... P/R/C Susan L. Darcy, JN (Berkshire Sail/2)
..... P/R/C S. Patricia Greer, SN (Raritan Bay/4)
..... P/V/C Joseph R. Mesenburg, SN (Columbus Sail/29)

STANDING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

In accordance with *USPS Bylaws* Section 11.7 and upon recommendation of their respective chairmen, and with the approval of the chief commander, the Committee on Nominations is pleased to recommend the following members for appointment in 2016 by this Governing Board:

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Members of the Committee. P/C Fay S. Baynard, AP (St. Petersburg Sail/22)
..... P/D/C Larry D. Cole, SN (Toledo/29)
..... P/D/C Raymond H. Nylander, JN (Lackawanna Sail/4)

LAW COMMITTEE

Members of the Committee. P/D/C Horacio A. Cabrera, AP (San Juan/33)
..... Bruce Gardiner, AP (Bellevue Sail/16)
..... Stf/C Gregory E. Korstad, AP (Minnetonka/10)
..... P/D/C Natalie E. Witty, JN (Skokie Valley Sail/20)
..... Ruth Witztum, JN (New York Sail/4)

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Members of the Committee. P/D/C Jerry Hall, SN (Cape Fear Sail/27)
..... Doreen S. Hinksman (Tar River/27)
..... P/C/C G. Leslie Johnson, SN (Diablo Sail/25)
..... P/R/C Allan W. Lakin, SN (The Valley Sail/13)
..... P/N/F/Lt James R. McCurry, AP (Shallotte River Sail/27)

USPS EDUCATIONAL FUND

Under the terms of the USPS Educational Trust Agreement, on behalf of the Trustees of the USPS Educational Fund and with their full endorsement, the Committee on Nominations presents the following persons to serve as trustees of the USPS Educational Fund.

Trustees - Recommended for election by the Governing Board for a three year term:

- David L. Hinders (Internet Membership/99) 1st year, first 3 year term
- Joseph R. Mesenburg (Columbus Sail/29) 1st year, first 3 year term

Trustees - Previously elected and year to office (not to be voted on):

- Thomas J. Brincka (Barnegat Bay Sail/4) 1st year, second 3 year term
- Fred Mangelsdorf (Mid-Hudson/2) 2nd year, second 3 year term
- Joanna Webster (Poverty Bay Sail/16) 2nd year, first 3 year term
- Alan F. Wentworth (Door County/10) 1st year, first 3 year term

Respectfully submitted,
Committee on Nominations

- P/R/C Donald Clark, SN
- P/R/C Susan L. Darcy, JN
- P/C/C Frank A. Dvorak, SN
- P/R/C S. Patricia Greer, SN
- P/D/C Connie J. Johnson, SN
- P/V/C Joseph R. Mesenburg, SN
- Stf/C William D. Selden V, AP
- R/C Ellen Barbour, SN, Chairman

