Chief Commander John T. Alter, SN, convened the meeting at 0900.

District commanders carried and posted their district 100th anniversary ensigns and centennial streamers followed by the commander of New Haven Power Squadron, which is celebrating its 100th anniversary. USPS Chaplain Lois Nehmer, SN, led the invocation, which was followed by the presentation of the U.S. and Canadian colors, the Pledge of Allegiance led by N/F/Lt Joseph R. Mesenburg, SN, and singing of the U.S. and Canadian national anthems.

R/C Peter W. Mitchelson, SN, assistant national secretary, declared a quorum present.

**Report of the Committee on Rules**

Stf/C Robert A. Keller, SN, assistant chairman, Committee on Rules, announced that he had appointed P/C Benjamin Sooy III, AP, as parliamentarian for this meeting and explained the annual meeting voting procedures.

Stf/C Keller summarized the chief commander’s 2013 activities and recommended awarding C/C Alter his 33rd merit mark. The Governing Board ADOPTED the motion. (2014-AM-1)

Stf/C Keller announced that with the concurrence of the USPS Board of Directors, the Committee on Rules recommended that the Governing Board approve the following revision to the *USPS Bylaws* to be effective following the adjournment of the 2014 Governing Board.
Existing bylaw:

Section 17.1 Each squadron shall offer to the public at least once a year a USPS boating safety course that meets the educational qualifications for USPS membership. Squadrons may impose such restrictions upon class attendance as may from time to time seem reasonable to the squadron. No squadron shall sponsor any public boating safety course using material other than that approved by USPS.

Proposed amendment:

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The Governing Board ADOPTED the motion to amend Section 17.1 of the USPS Bylaws as part of housekeeping revisions. (2014-AM-2)

Stf/C Keller reported that during 2013 the Committee on Rules reviewed, approved and certified bylaws revisions for 41 squadrons and six districts. He reported that the revised Model Squadron Bylaws is available at http://www.usps.org/national/rules/Squadron_Bylaws.html.

Stf/C Keller presented the 2014 Committee on Rules oversight assignments and appointments.

District Bylaws & Committee Webmaster – P/C Harold Howard, SN

Squadrons in Districts 1–5  
P/D/C W. Lyle Rea, SN  
Squadrons in Districts 18–24  
Lt Howard Sklar, AP

Squadrons in Districts 6–10  
Lt John R. Bradley, SN  
Squadrons in Districts 25–33  
P/D/C John Sherrick, JN
Squadrons in District 11–17
Stf/C Ralph Bernard, AP

**Introduction of Past Chief Commanders**

P/C/C Frank A. Dvorak, SN, introduced the past chief commanders present:

- P/C/C L.M. Barnes III, SN, 1996-1997 (Rocky Mount/27)
- P/C/C Lance J. Jensen, SN, 2000-2001 (Bellevue Sail/16)
- P/C/C Theodore H. Smith, SN, 2002-2003 (Grosse Pointe/9)
- P/C/C Ernest G. Marshburn, SN, 2006-2007 (Tar River/27)
- P/C/C Creighton C. Maynard Jr., SN, 2008-2009 (Fort Worth Sail/21)

C/C Alter introduced P/C/C Frank A. Dvorak, SN (Bellevue Sail/16), who served as chief commander from 2010 to 2011.

**Approval of the Minutes**

C/C Alter announced that, with no objections, the minutes of the 7 Sept. 2013 Governing Board Meeting would be approved as distributed. The Governing Board ADOPTED the motion. (2014-AM-3)

**Introduction of Guests**

R/C Mary Ann Jensen, SN, introduced the following honored guests:

- Alvin Brown, mayor, City of Jacksonville, Fla.
- Vice Adm. Robert C. Parker, U.S. Coast Guard
- Jeff Hoedt, chief, Boating Safety Division, USCG
- Capt. Jonathan Burton, USCG
- Cmdr. James Crocker, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
- Michael Henderson, navigation manager of South Florida and Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands, NOAA
• Ken Forster, chief, Electronic Chart Branch, NOAA
• Bill Edgerton, past commodore, USCG Auxiliary
• Ev Tucker, past commodore, USCG Auxiliary
• Steven Ellerin, division chief liaison, USCG Auxiliary
• Dave Fuller, District 7, USCG Auxiliary
• Mary Larsen, coordinator, America’s Waterway Watch, USCG Auxiliary
• Joe Gatfield, chief commander, Canadian Power & Sail Squadrons
• Rachel Johnson, executive director, National Safe Boating Council
• Ted Sensenbrenner, assistant director of boating safety, BoatUS Foundation
• Keith Christopher, national director, Sea Scouts, Boy Scouts of America
• Herb Angell, president, National Association of State Boating Law Administrators
• Larry Bowling, senior marine investigator, National Transportation Safety Board
• Carolyn Belmore, president, National Boating Federation
• Steve Prime, vice president, Gowrie Group
• Lee McGriff, McGriff, Seibels & Williams
• Jake Hill, assistant vice president, McGriff, Seibels & Williams
• Randy White, president and chief executive officer, SailAngle
• Capt. Joe Frohnhofer, chairman and chief executive officer, Sea Tow
• Cindy McCaffery, vice president of program development, Sea Tow
• Jim Foley, chief financial officer, Sea Tow
• Bert Rogers, executive director, Tall Ships America
• Brett Conley, director of marketing, Affinity Marketing Group
• Cecilia Duer, executive director, Spirit of America
• Peter Trogdon, president, Weems & Plath
• Dr. Robbie Smith, chief executive officer, Safe Harbor Maritime Academy
• Dr. Doug Smith, co-founder, Safe Harbor Maritime Academy
• Bob Davis, chief executive officer, Virtual Driver Interactive
• Dr. Gino Bottino, U.S. Sailing
• Dusty McCoy, chief executive officer, Brunswick Corp.

Presentation of Gifts and Awards

V/C Robert A. Baldridge, SN, read a letter from President Barack Obama commemorating USPS’ 100th anniversary.

Vice Adm. Robert Parker, USCG, and Jeff Hoedt presented a gift to C/C Alter from the USCG Office of Recreational Boating Safety commemorating USPS’ 100th anniversary.

Past Commodore Bill Edgerton presented a congratulatory letter to C/C Alter on behalf of the USCG Auxiliary commemorating USPS’ 100th anniversary.

Canadian Power & Sail Squadrons C/C Joe Gatfield presented a CPS 75th anniversary commemorative flag to C/C Alter.

Herb Angell, president, NASBLA, presented a gift to C/C Alter commemorating USPS’ 100th anniversary.

Brunswick Dealer Advantage Awards

Dusty McCoy, chief executive officer, Brunswick Corp., and Scott Ward, vice president, Brunswick Financial Services, presented awards to the top three squadrons that held the most classes at Brunswick dealerships in 2013.

Silver Level - Everett Sail/16 - $500
Gold Level - Mohawk Hudson Sail/2 - $750
Platinum Level - Sacandaga/2 - $1,000
Corporate Member Awards

C/C Alter presented 2014 Corporate Member Awards to the following companies:

Brunswick Corporation
BoatUS
McGriff, Siebels & Williams

Cooperative Charting Awards

Capt. James Crocker, Ken Forster, and Kyle Ward, NOAA, presented the following 2013 Cooperative Charting Awards:

- The number one squadron: Galveston Bay/21
- The number one individual: Stf/C Jim Strothers, SN, Sanibel Captiva/22
- The number one district: District 21
- NOAA Coast Survey Award: P/C Brevard S. Myers Jr., SN, Charlotte/27 for five years of excellence in the Cooperative Charting Program

BoatUS/USPS Civic Service Award

Ted Sensenbrenner, BoatUS Foundation, presented the 2013 BoatUS/USPS Civic Service Award to District 27. Winning squadron – Fort Macon Sail/27. Honorable mention awards were presented to Cape Fear Sail/27, Charleston Sail/26, Raleigh Sail/27, Vero Beach Sail/8, and Virginia Beach Sail/5.


C/C Alter announced an attendance of 773.
Memorandums of Understanding

C/C Alter and Bert Rogers, executive director, Tall Ships, signed a memorandum of understanding.

C/C Alter and Captain Joe Frohnhoefer, chairman and chief executive officer, signed memorandums of understanding for Sea Tow International and Sea Tow Foundation.

R/C Mary Paige Abbott, SN, announced the awards that were presented during the awards ceremony on Thurs., 30 Jan. 2014.

2014 Potential Life Members

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Kathleen E. Zambroski 6/Rochester
H.J. Zimmer, AP 3/Smithtown Bay
Norbert A. Zinteck, SN 6/Swiftwater Sail

Vessel Safety Check Awards

**Top Districts**

5th place – District 24
4th place – District 7
3rd place – District 3
2nd place – District 28
1st place – District 11

**Top Squadrons**

5th place – Smith Mountain Lake Sail/5
4th place – Biscayne Bay/8
3rd place – South Hills/7
2nd place – Jones Beach/3
1st place – Crystal River/22
Top Vessel Examiner

R/C Robert D. Holub, SN, Jones Beach/3
12th year straight, 23,645 total vessel safety checks

Millennium Club Award Winners for performing a total of 1,000 or more vessel safety checks

R/C Robert D. Holub, SN (12th year) Jones Beach/3
Lt Tish J. Cullen, P, (2nd year) Las Vegas Sail/13
P/D/C Thomas F. Rossini, SN, (3rd year) Crystal River/22

Century Club Award Winners for performing a total of 100 vessel safety checks in 2013

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Cooperative Charting Awards
Individuals who have been on the honor roll for 15 years or more

P/R/C Gene Van Rhee, SN 15 years
Lt Michael Schabeck, AP 30 years

Squadrons that have been on the honor roll for 10 years

Lake Hartwell Sail/26
Perdido Bay/15
San Juan/33
Taunton River Sail/14

Squadrons that have been on the honor roll for 15 years

Chattanooga Sail/17
Deception Pass Sail/16
Poverty Bay Sail/16
Stark County/7

Squadrons that have been on the honor roll for 20 years

Charleston Sail/26
Shallotte River Sail/27
Squadrons that have been on the honor roll for 25 years

Palm Beach Sail/8
Tampa/22

Squadrons that have been on the honor roll for 30 years

Cape Fear Sail/27
Dallas Sail/21
Durham Sail/27

Squadron recipients who have been on the honor roll for 35 years

Galveston Bay Sail/21
Rocky Mount/27

Membership Committee Doing it Right Awards

Westchester Sail/2  Palm Beach Sail/8
Bayside/3  Pompano Beach/8
Captree/3  St. Lucie River/8
Great South Bay/3  Vero Beach/8
Hempstead Bay/3  Birmingham/9
Jones Beach/3  Dearborn Sail/9
Neptune/3  Port Huron Sail/9
Oyster Bay/3  South Bend Sail/9
Patchogue Bay/3  Great Blue Hill Sail/12
Peconic Bay/3  Fort Walton Sail/15
Smithtown Bay/3  New Orleans/15
Patuxent River Sail/5  Agate Pass Sail/16
Susquenango/6  Bellingham Sail/16
Akron Sail/7  Atlanta Sail/17
Rocky River Sail/7  Chattanooga Sail/17
Homestead/8  Anna Maria Island/22
Key West Sail/8  Crystal River/22
San Carlos Bay Sail/22
Sanibel Captiva Sail/22
Sarasota Sail/22
St. Petersburg Sail/22
Venice Sail/22
Cocoa Beach Sail/23
Charleston Sail/26
Tybee Light Sail/26
Albemarle Sail/27
Cape Fear Sail/27
Cape Lookout Sail/27
Catawba Sail/27
Charlotte/27
Durham Sail/27
Goldsboro Sail/27
Greensboro/27
Lake Norman Sail/27
Pamlico Sail/27
Raleigh Sail/27
Rocky Mount/27
Shallotte River Sail/27
Southport Sail/27
Tar River Sail/27
San Luis Rey/28
Grand Lake Sail/31

**15th USPS National Boarman Youth Poster Contest Winners**

**Ages 6 - 8**
- 3rd place Zacary Morris St. Louis Sail/30
- 2nd place Ethan Long Marion/29
- 1st place William Yeamans Patchogue Bay/3

**Ages 9 - 11**
- 3rd place Christian Florio Lackawanna Sail/4
- 2nd place Ethan Reynolds Charleston Sail/26
- 1st place Cassandra Vasquez District 2

**Ages 12 - 14**
- 3rd place Megan O’Brian Central Wisconsin Sail/10
- 2nd place Dorothy Morgan Northern Neck Sail/5
- 1st place Summer Bruce Charleston Sail/26

C/C Alter presented Honorary Member and Emeritus Member awards to the following members:
2014 Honorary Members

Capt. F. Thomas Boross
Chris Edmonston
Ken Forster
Joe Gatfield
Tom Hayward
Jeff Hoedt
Rachel Johnson
Tom Mallison
Vice Adm. Robert C. Parker
Bert Rogers
Safe Harbor Maritime Academy

2014 Emeritus Members

P/C Robert J. Burgio Sr., SN, Port Washington Sail/3
Rolf Stuenes, JN, Dundalk Sail/5
P/C James W. Martin, AP, Hamburg/6
Fredrick C. Wichmann, AP, Charleston Sail/26
P/Lt/C Daniel D. Ray, SN, Lake Hartwell/26
Tommy L. Whiteside, AP, Lake Norman Sail/27

2014 Meritorious Service Awards

C/C Alter, assisted by V/C Baldridge, presented Meritorious Service Awards to national officers completing their tours of duty:

V/C Robert A. Baldridge, SN National Executive Officer
V/C Luis Ojeda, SN National Administrative Officer
V/C Jean L. Hamilton, SN National Secretary
V/C Gary P. Cheney, SN National Treasurer
R/C Bruce A. Albertson, SN Ship’s Store Committee
R/C Gerardo J. Caprario, JN Squadron Development Committee
R/C Richard L. Carson, JN Basic Public Education Committee
R/C Donald C. Clark, SN National Meetings Committee
R/C William R. Gillette, AP Budget Officer - Educational Department
R/C Nigel E. Hargreaves, SN Budget Director
R/C Wilbur G. Hugli, SN Educational Outreach Committee
R/C James McCurry, AP Committee on Nominations
New Haven Power Squadron members shared a presentation on the squadron’s 100th anniversary celebration, which will be held 20 - 21 June 2014.

**Report of the Headquarters Executive Director**

Mary Catherine Berube, headquarters executive director, introduced Lena Padro, headquarters manager, membership services; Tammy Brown, headquarters marketing director, Yvonne Hill, publications director, and Amy Townsend, managing editor.

Mrs. Berube presented a virtual tour of the USPS headquarters featuring many of the artifacts that are displayed throughout the headquarters building and the Memorial Library. She encouraged all members to stop by for a visit.

**Report of the Finance Committee**

R/C Lee Popham, AP, chairman, Finance Committee reported on four areas including the USPS Investment Fund and the USPS Century Endowment Fund, an update on the overall financial status of USPS, a review of grant revenues and expenditures, and an update on the 2013 fiscal year and the 2014 budget.

R/C Popham reported that the investments under the oversight of the Finance Committee are managed by Riazzi Asset Management, and totaled $2,371,507 as of 30 Nov. 2013. The investments are broken up into two major portfolios.
As of 30 Nov. 2013 the balance in the Century Endowment Fund was $1,550,794 compared to $1,547,945 one year ago. In 2013 contributions totaled $62,244 and investment returns totaled $129,604. R/C Popham noted that $202,000 was paid out of the Century Endowment Fund account in 2013 for special projects and grants approved by the Board of Directors. Sixty-two percent of these funds are invested in common stocks, 16 percent in dividend-paying preferred stock equities, and the balance in other fixed-income securities and money market funds. Year-to-date, total earnings and unrealized gains on these invested funds produced an 8.4 percent return.

As of 30 Nov. 2013 the balance in the USPS Investment account was $820,713, compared to $787,772 one year ago. Sixty-seven percent of these funds are invested in common stocks, 14 percent in preferred stock equities, and the balance in other fixed-income securities and money market funds. Year-to-date, total earnings and unrealized gains of $79,461 on these invested funds produced a 10.1 percent return.

R/C Popham reported that USPS had achieved an operating surplus for the first time in several years. He noted that in 2013 revenues were up slightly and that operating expenses were less than in 2012.

R/C Popham explained that grant monies are tracked separately and are not part of the operating budget. In 2013, USPS had $1,397,845 in open awarded grants, of which $825,675 had been collected. Of that amount, $712,714 of the grant expenses had been paid as of 30 Nov. 2013 leaving an obligation to pay an additional $676,630. He noted that $179,000 had been set aside in a separate grant reserve money market account to cover the balance of the expenses.

R/C Popham reported that the Board of Directors approved a balanced 2014 budget during the 2013 Governing Board Meeting in San Antonio, Texas. He noted that the Finance Committee determined that the funds necessary to finance the 2014 budget can reasonably be anticipated.

R/C Popham concluded by stating that the Finance Committee moved that the Governing Board approve the appointment of Williams, Overman, Pierce, LLP, as independent auditors for the fiscal year ended 30 Nov. 2014.

The Governing Board ADOPTED the motion. (2014-AM-4)
Report of the National Law Officer

R/C David L. Allen Jr., SN, national law officer, reported that the Law Committee had been involved in the ongoing challenge to ensure that members know that they are protected by USPS insurance during educational, fraternal and social activities.

R/C Allen reported that LawCom continues to assist the Educational Department to develop policies to help clarify its roles and expectations while providing safe, fun and legally protected activities.

R/C Allen reported that LawCom works with the Board of Directors to review agreements and grant proposals to make sure that they are fair and balanced, always being watchful of USPS’ nonprofit status.

Report of the Planning Committee

R/C Kay Simkins, AP, chairman, reported that the Planning Committee developed a training manual for rear and staff commanders that is under review.

The Planning Committee submitted a report to the Board of Directors on holding revenue-neutral national meetings. The committee also submitted recommendations on moving national meeting dates so that the timing is more evenly distributed.

R/C Simkins announced that the committee submitted phase two of the Strategic Plan to the Board of Directors. She noted that the next steps involve implementing the plan and designating individuals who will be responsible for each goal action item.

R/C Simkins stated that the goals of the Strategic Plan support and enhance the USPS Mission Statement “To promote recreational boating skills and boating safety through education, hands-on training and civic activities while providing fellowship for members.” She noted that the Strategic Plan goals were derived from input from the Board of Directors and took into consideration USPS marketing and branding, membership, and financial stability.
Report of the National Treasurer

V/C Gary P. Cheney, SN, reported on the unaudited 2013 financials. He stated that FY2013 ended with a $105,000 profit before adjustments, noting that this was the first positive fiscal year for operations since 2007.

V/C Cheney reported that the 2014 Budget anticipates an increase in revenues of $186,000 over 2013. He noted that the majority of the increase is from educational sales (including online sales) dues and corporate member revenue.

V/C Cheney reported that the number of members on the Budget Committee was reduced from six to four. He noted that the committee members’ responsibilities had changed and that new reimbursement vouchers are posted on the Treasurer’s website under “Treasurer’s Dues, Forms, Policies, and Budget” at www.usps.org/national/treasurer.

V/C Cheney concluded by stating that approximately 25 percent of squadrons and some districts failed to file a TR-1 form with headquarters in 2013. He stated that the TR-1 form is an important document that provides USPS with the information necessary to file the annual IRS report.

Report of the National Secretary

R/C Peter W. Mitchelson, SN, assistant national secretary, delivered the national secretary’s report on behalf of V/C Jean L. Hamilton, SN, who was unable to attend.

R/C Mitchelson reported that the USPS Web server was hosted at a member’s company at no cost to USPS for eight years. In 2012 USPS was notified that the Web server had to be relocated by the end of 2013. He reported that the Web server was moved to USPS headquarters in Raleigh, N.C., in mid-December 2013. He noted that issues continued after the server move and that updated software and hardware has caused problems that continue to affect the USPS tools, which are being resolved by the Information Technology Committee.

R/C Mitchelson reported that with the exception of some USPS forms all content for the new USPS website had been coded. He stated that the prototype was scheduled for delivery on
The Communications Committee is working closely with Tammy Brown, USPS marketing director, and the Marketing Committee to develop new criteria for the Distinctive Communicator Award.

The Heritage and Protocol Committee reported that all district and squadron histories had been scanned. The committee reported approval of the following burgees and flags: 100-year burgee, New Haven/1; 75-year burgees, Springfield/1, Grosse Pointe/9 and New Orleans/15; 50-year burgees, Main Line/5 and Racine/20; 75-year flags, districts 2, 3, 5 and 8, and 50-year flag, District 28. The committee also approved a new burgee for Marinette-Menominee/10

R/C Mitchelson reported that an updated Operations Manual would be available at www.usps.org/national/om following the 2014 Annual Meeting.

**Report of the National Administrative Officer**

V/C Louie Ojeda, SN, reported that the Membership Committee continues to maintain and produce membership tools for squadrons. He noted a new committee initiative that encourages squadrons to host a reunion party for boating course students, members and former members to celebrate USPS’ 100th anniversary.

The Squadron Development Committee is updating the Provisional Squadron Manual.

The Squadron Activities Committee continues to support SERAT. An updated Port Captain’s Roster can be found at www.usps.org/national/PortC. The committee encouraged members to become port captains in their area.

V/C Ojeda reported that the Member Benefits Committee devoted many hours working on Expo and the 100th anniversary meeting program. The committee continues to promote current benefits and to seek new member benefits.

The Leadership Development Committee is offering three Leadership Development seminars: Leadership Development 101, Leadership Development 102, and Leadership Development 103. V/C Ojeda noted that approximately 120 students participated in leadership
training during the 2014 Annual Meeting. He reported that these courses had been approved for Continuing Professional Education credits, and he urged members to take advantage of the opportunities.

**Report of the National Educational Officer**

V/C Bob Brandenstein, SN, reported that 129 squadrons are participating in the Brunswick Dealer Advantage Program. Brunswick reported that 67 percent of its dealers are participating.

The national educational officer reported that the Boat Operator Certification and Practical On-the-Water Training programs continued to grow in 2013. More than 140 training events were held and 633 students receiving training through 31 Aug. 2013.

V/C Brandenstein reported that a Spanish language version of ABC3 should be available by mid-2014.

V/C Brandenstein announced the winners of the 2014 Teaching Aids Competition.

- **Third place** – tie - Westchester/2 and Jacksonville/23
- **Second place** - Columbus/29
- **First place** - Bellingham/16

V/C Brandenstein explained that the Charles F. Chapman Award for Excellence in Teaching recognizes five members who have demonstrated exceptional skill in teaching and motivating their students. They represent the best of USPS instructors. V/C Brandenstein, assisted by C/C Alter, presented the 2013 Chapman Awards to

- Lt/C Stanley L. Klein, SN, Middletown/1
- P/R/C Eugene E. Molteni, SN, Bayside/3
- Lt/C Jeffrey M. Moore, JN, Hawaii Sail/13
- P/R/C Kenneth N. Beckman, SN, St. Petersburg Sail/22
- P/C Jesus Davison, JN, Carolina Sail/33

**Report of the National Executive Officer**

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V/C Robert A. Baldridge, SN, reported that P/R/C Trudy Brown, AP, and the 100\textsuperscript{th} Anniversary Celebration Committee had worked hard to prepare for the 2014 Annual Meeting and for events scheduled later in the year. He noted that 100\textsuperscript{th} anniversary items are still available at www.shopusps.org.

V/C Baldridge reported that the Cooperative Charting Committee continues to manage Cooperative Charting reports and told members to look for upcoming changes for the Geodetic Survey Program.

V/C Baldridge called on R/C John J. Rodgers, SN, to present the 2013 Golden Eagle Award to P/C David E. Walsh, SN, Charleston Sail/26. This award is presented to the district Cooperative Charting chairman who has best prepared the district for current and future excellence in Cooperative Charting.

The Environmental Committee is working on flare disposal, a new environmental seminar, squadron activities, and a grant request.

The Government and Partner Relations Committee continues to monitor memorandums of understanding and the partnership agreement with the USCG Auxiliary.

The Marketing and Public Relations Committee is working with Tammy Brown, USPS marketing director, to revise marketing strategies and the USPS Marketing Plan. V/C Baldridge noted that a recommendation was made to split the committee into the Marketing Committee and the Public Relations Committee to better focus and channel volunteer resources.

V/C Baldridge then stated that in accordance with the \textit{USPS Bylaws}, Article 5, Section 5.2.4, the Governing Board establishes committees of the Governing Board and of the departments. He noted that with the concurrence of the USPS Board of Directors, he recommended that the Marketing and Public Relations Committee be dissolved and the Marketing Committee and the Public Relations Committee be established and that both committees be assigned to the Executive Department.

The Governing Board ADOPTED a motion to dissolve the Marketing and the Public Relations Committee, establish the Marketing Committee and the Public Relations Committee, and to assign both committees to the Executive Department. (2014-AM-5)
V/C Baldridge reported that the National Meetings Committee had been focusing on making the 2014 Annual Meeting a special meeting to commemorate USPS’ 100th anniversary. The committee reported that the format will be slightly different for the 2014 Governing Board Meeting to be held on 7 -15 Sept. 2014, at the Hyatt Regency Hotel Crystal City, Arlington, Va. The hotel rooms have been extended through Sunday, 15 Sept. so that members can participate in the Potomac River cruise. Future meeting dates include the 2015 Annual Meeting 18 - 25 January 2015 in Jacksonville, Fla., and the 2015 Governing Board 30 Aug. – 6 Sept. 2015 in San Diego, Calif.

V/C Baldridge announced that the National Meetings Committee recommended, and the Board of Directors approved, subject to approval of the exact dates, site, and contract, holding the 2016 Annual Meeting in Orlando, Fla.

The Governing Board ADOPTED a motion to hold the 2016 Annual Meeting in Orlando, Fla., pending final contract approval by the Board of Directors. (AM-2014-6)

The Safety Committee reported that 2014 vessel safety decals will be distributed to squadrons at 150 to 200 percent of the number of vessel safety checks reported in 2013. Squadrons should contact Stf/C Lee Chasse at chasslrlr@comcast.net for additional decals. The committee reported holding a successful CPR and First Aid Training Program during the 2014 Annual Meeting. The committee also reported that the Recreational Boating Safety Visitation Program partnership with the USCG Auxiliary is on track and noted that training sessions were held during the 2014 Annual Meeting.

V/C Baldridge explained that during the 2013 Governing Board Meeting he assigned the District 5 Resolution to the Board of Directors to report on at the 2014 Annual Meeting. He called on P/C/C Frank A. Dvorak, SN, to report on the District 5 resolution.

P/C/C Dvorak read the following:

This District Resolves that:

The Governing Board of the United States Power Squadrons shall not schedule meetings, programs, events, or other activities that conflict with any major religious holidays of its members.
P/C/C Dvorak called on D/C Martin C. Lafferty, AP, District 5, to propose the following amendment:

Now therefore be it resolved, that the policy of the Governing Board of the United States Power Squadrons shall be not to schedule meetings, programs, events, or other activities on any dates that conflict with any major religious holidays.

An amendment was made to substitute the words religious observance in lieu of religious holidays.

The Governing Board ADOPTED the following policy: That USPS shall not schedule meetings, programs, events or other activities on any dates that conflict with any major religious observances. (AM-2014-7)

V/C Baldridge reported that all requirements had been met and that the Board of Directors had approved chartering the Marinette Menominee Power Squadron to be assigned to District 10. C/C Alter then presented a squadron charter to Marinette Menominee/10, noting that this squadron is the first squadron chartered in USPS’ second century.

V/C Baldridge reported that North Star Provisional Squadron in Alaska had reached a membership threshold and that he anticipated presenting a squadron charter to North Star Power Squadron at the 2014 Governing Board Meeting

V/C Baldridge announced that the Board of Directors voted to dissolve the following squadrons: Cutler Cove/8, Redondo Beach/13 and Coastal Bend Sail/21.

Report of the Chief Commander

C/C John T. Alter, SN, reported actions of the Board of Directors at its 28 Jan. 2014 meeting:

1) A motion to dissolve Cutler Cove/8.

2) A motion approving a contribution to the USPS employees’ retirement plan for 2013.

3) A motion to approve the following USCG grant applications for 2014:

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a) Phase II Boat Handling Simulator.
b) To design and develop a course template for on-water instruction for recreational boat operators based on ANSI-approved skills.
c) Partnering.

4) To recommend that the Governing Board approve holding the 2016 Annual Meeting in Orlando, Fla., pending final contract approval by the Board of Directors.

5) To dissolve Redondo Beach/13 pending meeting dissolution requirements by the state of California and returning the squadron charter.

C/C Alter thanked his wife Judy Alter and N/F/Lt Joe Mesenburg, SN, for their support during his term as chief commander. He said that he was blessed with a talented Board of Directors who knew no limits and who never shied away from any task. He noted that together they delivered a surplus budget, designed a new Website, revamped a large portion of the national meetings curriculum, and developed online educational programs in conjunction with BoatUS. He thanked the Educational and Century funds for their generosity and noted that many of these projects would not have happened without their support. He also thanked the USCG for its support through grant funding, particularly for the Practical On-the-Water Training and Simulator grants.

C/C Alter thanked the headquarters staff who held these efforts together, delivered the goods to squadrons, persevered through lean times, and were always there when needed. He concluded by saying that it had been an honor and privilege to serve as chief commander.

C/C Alter discharged all national officers and cleared the bridge with the exception of the assistant national secretary.

C/C Alter turned the chair over to P/C/C Lance J. Jensen, SN, to conduct the elections. The assistant national secretary declared that no nominations by petition had been filed.

Report of the Committee on Nominations
R/C James McCurry, AP, stated, “In accordance with USPS Bylaws, Article 11, Section 11.6 and 11.7, “Each annual meeting of the Governing Board shall elect 11.6. (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 whom shall serve as officers and directors of USPS.” The Committee on Nominations unanimously recommended the election of the following members to serve:

For National Bridge Officers

*Chief Commander*
- C/C Robert A. Baldridge, SN (Baton Rouge Sail/15)

*National Executive Officer*
- V/C Louie Ojeda, SN (Ponce/33)

*National Educational Officer*
- V/C Bob Brandenstein, SN (Pittsburgh/7)

*National Administrative Officer*
- V/C Gary P. Cheney, SN (Erie/11)

*National Secretary*
- V/C Peter W. Mitchelson, SN (Sebastian Inlet Sail/8)

*National Treasurer*
- V/C Robert C. Miller, SN (Poverty Bay/16)

*Past Chief Commander*
- P/C/C John T. Alter, SN (Raleigh Sail/27)

The Governing Board ADOPTED a motion to elect the members listed above to serve as national bridge officers and members of the Board of Directors for 2014. (AM-2014-8)

R/C McCurry presented the following nominations and recommended their election.

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The Governing Board ADOPTED a motion to elect the members listed above to serve as the members of the 2014 Governing Board. (AM-2014-9)

FOR REAR COMMANDERS

GENERAL COMMITTEES
Committee on Rules........................................R/C Robert A. Keller, SN (Boca Ciega/22)
Committee on Nominations...............................R/C William I. Neef, SN (Boca Ciega/22)

STANDING COMMITTEES
Finance.....................................................R/C Lee Popham, AP (Miami Sail/8)
Law Officer ...............................................R/C David L. Allen Jr., (Lake Murray/26)
Planning .....................................................R/C Kathryn Simkins, AP (Patuxent River/5)

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT COMMITTEES
Cooperative Charting ...................................R/C John J. Rodgers, SN (Charlotte/27)
Environmental .........................................R/C Thomas D. Myers, JN (Fort Macon/27)
Government & Partner Relations ....................R/C Mary Ann Jensen, SN (Lansing/9)
Marketing ...............................................R/C Eugene E. Molteni, SN (Bayside/3)
National Meetings ......................................R/C Robert D. Holub, SN (Jones Beach/3)
Public Relations .......................................R/C Gregory T. Scotten, SN (Peace River/22)
Safety ......................................................R/C Michael S. Wiedel, JN (Milwaukee/10)

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Stf/C Thomas Peltier, SN (Oyster Bay/3)

Asst/Ch Environmental
Stf/C Samuel A. Woodruff Jr., AP (Columbus/29)

Asst/Ch Government & Partner Relations
Stf/C Robert E. Canfield, JN (Rockford/20)

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 National Meetings
Stf/C Arlene Anderson, AP (Hampton Roads/5)

Asst/Ch National Meetings
Stf/C Mark B. Gathings, JN (Marin/25)

Asst/Ch National Meetings
Stf/C John Sanfillippo, AP (Peconic Bay/3)

Asst/Ch Public Relations
Stf/C Lee Ralph Chasse, AP (Cape Coral/22)

Asst/Ch Safety
Stf/C Alan Karpas, JN (Rockville/5)

Asst/Ch Safety
Stf/C Amelia C. Seeley, P (Milwaukee/10)

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT
Asst/Ch Basic Public Education
Stf/C Richard K. Edel, SN (Poverty Bay/16)

Asst/Ch Basic Public Education
Stf/C Luis Moler, JN (San Juan/33)

Asst/Ch Boat Handling
Stf/C William O’Neill, SN (Thurmond Lake/26)

Asst/Ch Boat Handling
Stf/C Constance L. Runge, SN (Racine/20)

Asst/Ch Boat Handling
Stf/C Aubrey W. Vaughan, JN (Hilton Head/26)

Asst/Ch Boat Operator Certification
Stf/C Theodore E. Shanks, (North Olympic/16)

Asst/Ch Boat Operator Certification
Stf/C Tim Tate, AP (Savannah River/26)

Asst/Ch Educational Outreach
Stf/C Andrew Sumberg, SN (Charles River/12)

Asst/Ch Educational Outreach
Stf/C Kenneth Leque Jr., SN (Stark County/7)

Asst/Ch Electro-Mechanical Systems
Stf/C Gene A. Danko, SN (Rockville/5)

Asst/Ch Electro-Mechanical Systems
Stf/C Walter K. Neese, SN (Dundalk/5)

Asst/Ch Inland & Coastal Nav
Stf/C Anthony R. DeNoto, JN (Door County/10)

Asst/Ch Inland & Coastal Nav
Stf/C Eric Pearson, SN (Lake Murray/26)

Asst/Ch Instructor Development
Stf/C Robert Rayburn, SN (Columbus/29)

Asst/Ch Marine Environment
Stf/C Robert F. Anderson, AP (Bremerton/16)

Asst/Ch Marine Environment
Stf/C John R. Gill, AP (Delaware River/5)

Asst/Ch Offshore Navigation
Stf/C Stanley L. Klein, SN (Middletown/1)

Asst/Ch Offshore Navigation
Stf/C Victor B. Schwartz, SN (Charleston/26)

Asst/Ch Publishing
Stf/C Thomas J. Brincka, SN (Barnegat Bay/4)

Asst/Ch Publishing
Stf/C Al C. Bruhin, SN (Port St. Lucie/8)

Asst/Ch Publishing
Stf/C S. Patricia Greer, SN (Raritan Bay/4)

Asst/Ch Publishing
Stf/C Robert L. Potter, SN (Kankakee Valley/20)

ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT
Asst/Ch Leadership Development
Stf/C Shirley D. Heald, AP (Dallas/21)

Asst/Ch Leadership Development
Stf/C Miguel Lugo, JN (Carolina/33)

Asst/Ch Leadership Development
Stf/C Anita F. Walker, JN (Pompano Beach/8)

Asst/Ch Member Benefits
Stf/C Gary L. Ferguson, JN (Palm Beach/8)

Asst/Ch Member Committee
Stf/C Linda LaLonde, P (Dearborn/9)

Asst/Ch Member Committee
Stf/C James L. Pahl-Washa, JN (Madison/10)

Asst/Ch Member Committee
Stf/C Wayne F. Partie, SN (Boca Ciega/22)
The Governing Board ADOPTED a motion to elect the rear commanders and staff commanders. (AM-2014-10)

GENERAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

In accordance with USPS Bylaws Section 11.7 upon recommendation of their respective chairmen and with the approval of the chief commander, the Committee on Nominations recommended the following members for appointment in 2014 by this Governing Board:

COMMITTEE ON RULES
Members of the Committee ..................Cdr Ralph A. Bernard, AP (Absecon Island/5)
..................................................Lt John Bradley, SN (Great South Bay/3)
..................................................D/Lt Harold W. Howard, SN (Peace River Sail/22)
..................................................P/D/C W. Lyle Rea, SN (Peace River Sail/22)
..................................................D/C John Sherrick, JN (Spokane/16)
..................................................D/C Howard A. Sklar, AP (Westchester/2)
..................................................P/D/C Elaine Williams, AP (Saybrook/1)

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS
Members of the Committee .................P/C M. Ellen Barbour, SN (New London/1)
..................................................P/C/C Frank A. Dvorak, SN (Bellevue/16)
..................................................P/D/C Connie J. Johnson, SN (Phoenix/28)
..................................................N/F/Lt Joseph R. Mesenburg, SN (Columbus/29)
..................................................D/Lt/C Richard Pfenniger, SN (Hollywood/8)
..................................................P/D/C William D. Selden V, AP (Richmond/5)
STANDING COMMITTEE MEMBERS

In accordance with USPS Bylaws Section 11.7, 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 2013 by this Governing Board:

FINANCE COMMITTEE
Members of the Committee ................................Stf/C F. Robert Ginsberg, SN (Atlanta Sail/17)
.............................................................P/C David C. McMahon, AP (Raleigh Sail/27)
.............................................................P/D/C Raymond H. Nylander, JN (Lackawanna/4)

LAW COMMITTEE
Members of the Committee ...........................P/D/C Horacio A. Cabrera, AP (San Juan/33)
.............................................................P/R/C Gregory E. Korstad, AP (Minnetonka/10)
.............................................................Lt Noel K. McKeown, SN (Dayton/24)
.............................................................P/D/C Natalie E. Witty, JN (Skokie Valley/20)
.............................................................Ruth Witztum, JN (New York/4)

PLANNING COMMITTEE
Members of the Committee ..........................P/R/C Frank Dougherty Jr., AP (Sebastian Inlet/8)
.............................................................P/D/C Jerry Hall, SN (Cape Fear/27)
.............................................................Doreen S. Hinksman (Tar River/27)
.............................................................P/C/C G. Leslie Johnson, SN (Diablo/25)
.............................................................Lt/C Allan W. Lakin, SN (The Valley/13)
.............................................................P/D/C Michael J. Skelley, AP (Minnetonka/10)

The Governing Board ADOPTED a motion to elect the members of the General and Standing committees. (AM-2014-11)

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 presented 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:

.............................................................Fred Mangelsdorf (Mid-Hudson/2) 1st year, second 3-year term

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

.............................................................Thomas J. Brincka (Barnegat Bay/4) 3rd year, first 3-year term

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David Drummond (Raritan Bay/4) 2nd year, second 3-year term

Kenneth L. Griffing (Arrowhead/13) 2nd year, second 3-year term

Richard E. Kyle (Saybrook/1) 3rd year, second 3-year term

Joanna Webster (Poverty Bay/16) 2nd year, first 3-year term

Ellen Barbour (New London/1)
Appointed Administrative Assistant

The Governing Board ADOPTED a motion to elect Fred Mangelsdorf to the Trustees of the USPS Educational Fund. (AM-2014-12)

R/C McCurry announced that D/Lt/C Richard C. Pfenniger, SN, Hollywood/8 would serve as staff commander of the Committee on Nominations for the watch year 2014 - 2015.

P/C/C Jensen asked incoming N/F/Lt Richard E. Gercak, AP, to escort C/C-elect Robert A. Baldridge, SN, and Nancy Baldridge to the stage. P/C/C Jensen then administered the oath of the office to C/C Baldridge.

C/C Baldridge administered the oath of office to the 2014 Board of Directors.

C/C Baldridge administered the oath of office to the 2014 newly elected officers.

Report of the USPS Educational Fund

Frederick E. Mangelsdorf, SN, chairman, reported that the Educational Fund was financially healthy, with more than $3 million in assets as of 30 Nov. 2013. The income and investment appreciation for the same period was more than $350,000.

Mr. Mangelsdorf reported that 295 squadrons attained Honor Roll status in 2013.

He noted that other donations to the Educational Fund come from bequests, gifts and memorial gifts, and he said that these donations help to support the educational programs of USPS.

Report of the National Boating Federation
Carolyn Belmore, president, reported that the mission of the National Boating Federation is to support legislation that helps recreational boaters. She encouraged members to contact the NBF if they need assistance with proposed legislation on local, state or federal issues.

Ms. Belmore announced that the National Boating Federation would hold its annual meeting in conjunction with the IBWSS in Nashville, Tenn., on 13 April 2014.

USPS Chaplain Louis Reitz, AP, delivered the benediction.

The meeting was adjourned at 1625.

V/C Jean L. Hamilton, SN
National Secretary

Action Summary
Annual Meeting
1 February 2014

ADOPTED

1) A motion to award a merit mark to C/C Alter. (2014-AM-1)

2) A motion to amend Section 17.1 of the USPS Bylaws. (2014-AM-2)

3) A motion to approve the 7 Sept. 2013 Governing Board minutes. (2014-AM-3)

4) A motion to approve the appointment of Williams, Overman, Pierce, LLP, as independent auditors for the fiscal year ending 30 Nov. 2014. (2014-AM-4)

5) A motion to dissolve the Marketing and the Public Relations Committee, establish the Marketing Committee and the Public Relations Committee, and to assign both committees to the Executive Department. (2014-AM-5)

6) A motion to hold the 2016 Annual Meeting in Orlando, Fl., pending final contract approval by the Board of Directors. (2014-AM-6)
7) A motion to approve the following policy: That USPS shall not schedule meetings, programs, events or other activities on any dates that conflict with any major religious observances. (AM-2014-7)

8) A motion to elect the nominees to serve as the national bridge officers and members of the Board of Directors for 2014. (AM-2014-8)

9) A motion to elect members of the 2014 Governing Board. (AM-2014-9)

10) A motion to elect the rear commanders and staff commanders for 2014. (AM-2014-10)

11) A motion to elect the members of the General and Standing committees for 2014. (AM-2014-11)

12) A motion to elect Fred Mangelsdorf to serve as Trustee of the USPS Educational Fund. (AM-2014-12)
Appointed Officers for 2014

National Flag Lieutenant
Richard E. Gercak, AP

National Photographer
Steve D. Erickson, JN

Parliamentary Advisor
P/C Benjamin M. Sooy, AP

Chairman of the Area Monitors
P/C/C L. M. Barnes III, SN

National Chaplain
Louis M. Reitz, AP
Rodney G. Landsman, AP
Lois M. Nehmer, SN

Medical Officer
P/R/C Alan F. Wentworth, SN

Assigned Aides
Lt/C Steven L. Johnson, AP
Lt Donald R. Stark, JN
R/C Kathryn J. Simpkins, AP
R/C Nigel E. Hargreaves, SN
P//C Joanna K. Webster, AP

Protocol Advisors
Judy Alter
Vivien Dvorak
Mary Lou Johnson
Diane Marshburn
Glenda Maynard

Aides to Chief Commander
R/C Mary Paige Abbott, SN
P/C Vincene A. Aquilato, S
P/R/C Ann Bailey, AP
Lt Connie Beckman, SN
Nance Bernard
Ralph Bernard
P/R/C John Bradley, SN
Chuck Davenport
Peggy S. Davenport, SN
D/C Craig D. Fraser, SN
P/C Karen L. Gercak, AP
P/R/C Angelo V. Giovanniello, SN
P/C Robbie Jarrell, AP

Stf/C Cheryl Jarrell, AP
P/R/C Sandy Johnson, AP
P/C Sami Lucas, JN
R/C James R. McCurry, AP
P/R/C Sarah W. McCurry, S
Liana F. Mihalca
Mary Pierpont, SN
P/C Glen Roy, AP
D/Lt Peggy Roy, S
P/C Gloria J. Schulke, JN
P/R/C Gene R. Van Rhee, SN
Lt Shirley Y. Van Rhee, JN
R/C Howard Yoas, SN

USPS Representatives

 Liaison NASBLA
P/V/C Robert J. Sweet, SN

National Safe Boating Council
P/R/C Joyce F. Shaw, AP

Florida Boating Advisory Council
P/V/C Spencer P. Anderson, SN

Liaison BoatUS Advisory Board
P/C/C Frank A. Dvorak, SN

Liaison US Coast Guard Auxiliary
P/R/C Kenneth D. Link, SN

United Safe Boating Institute
P/R/C Robert A. Green, N
National Boating Federation
P/V/C Robert P. David, SN

United Safe Boating Institute
P/C/C Creighton C. Maynard, SN

United Safe Boating Institute
P/C/C Theodore H. Smith, SN

Liaison US Coast Guard & Boy Scouts of America
P/C/C Ernest G. Marshburn, SN

Liaison Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons
P/R/C Dick Jarmon, SN