Minutes of the 2011 Annual Meeting
Lake Buena Vista, Fla.
5 Feb. 2011

Chief Commander Frank A. Dvorak, SN, convened the meeting at 0900.

USPS Chaplain Louis M. Reitz, AP, 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 Robert D. Holub, SN, and the singing of the U.S. and Canadian national anthems.

The national secretary declared a quorum present.

R/C William I. Neef, SN, Committee on Rules chairman, explained the annual meeting voting procedures.

**Introduction of Past Chief Commanders**

P/C/C Creighton C. Maynard Jr., SN, introduced the past chief commanders present in the order they served:

- P/C/C L.M. Barnes III, SN, 1996-1997 (Rocky Mount/27)
- P/C/C Lance J. Jensen, SN, 2000-2001 (Bellevue/16)
- P/C/C Theodore H. Smith, SN, 2002-2003 (Grosse Pointe/9)
- P/C/C G. Leslie Johnson, SN, 2004-2005 (Diablo/25)
- P/C/C Ernest G. Marshburn, SN, 2006-2007 (Tar River/27)
C/C Dvorak introduced P/C/C Creighton C. Maynard Jr, SN (Fort Worth/21), who served as chief commander from 2008 to 2009.

Approval of the Minutes

C/C Dvorak announced that, with no objections, the minutes of the 4 Sept. 2010 Governing Board Meeting would be approved as distributed.

C/C Dvorak entertained a motion to confirm the 4 Sept. 2010 Governing Board Meeting minutes. The Governing Board ADOPTED the motion. (2011-AM-1)

Introduction of Guests

R/C Richard E. Gercak, AP, introduced Mr. Dustan E. McCoy, chairman and CEO, Brunswick Corp., who delivered the keynote address. Mr. McCoy challenged USPS members to reach out and attract new boaters. McCoy presented a compelling case for such an effort, which he said only could be accomplished by an organization like USPS and its 45,000 members across the country. Boating, at its essence, is a social and family activity that is enjoyed by all ages. McCoy cited his own experience, when in his teens, a family friend asked him to go boating. From then on, he was hooked, and to this day, enjoys boating.

Mr. McCoy’s story underscored one of the main points of his presentation. He pointed to such acts of sharing and camaraderie as among the best ways to expand boating to attract new boaters, by allowing people to experience the joy of boating firsthand. In short, McCoy urged delegates to take someone aboard their boat the next time they are on the water; especially a youth, to plant the water seed at an early age. Mr. McCoy’s full presentation can be found at usps-news.blogspot.com.

R/C Gercak introduced the following honored guests:

• Jeff Hoedt, chief, United States Coast Guard, Boating Safety Division
• Bruce Wright, USCG
• Capt. Mark Rizzo, USCG
• John Malatak, USCG, Boating Safety Division

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• Lt. Cmdr. Nick Chrobak, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
• Wayne Weeks, meteorologist, NOAA
• Kenneth Forster, senior cartographer, NOAA
• Michael Henderson, navigation manager, NOAA
• Ruth Wood, president, BoatU.S.
• Ted Sensenbrenner, assistant director of Boating Safety and Clean Water, BoatU.S.
• Jim Graybeal, president, National Association of State Boating Law Administrators
• William Griswold, president, National Safe Boating Council
• Fred Messmann, deputy director, NSBC
• Lynnda Nutt, United States Army Corps of Engineers, National Operations Center for Water Safety
• Duane Morrison, USACE
• Jim Vass, national commodore, United States Coast Guard Auxiliary
• Mary Larsen, coordinator, USCG Auxiliary America’s Waterway Watch
• Everett Tucker, National Boating Federation
• Keith Christopher, national Sea Scout director, Boy Scouts of America
• Charles Holmes, Sea Scouts, past National Community Alliance Director, BSA
• Jimmie Homburg, Sea Scouts, past national commodore, BSA
• Vanya Keyes, Sea Scouts, national boatswain, BSA
• Malcolm Blann, chief commander, Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons
• Richard Bee, national executive officer, CPS
• Joe Gatfield, national training officer, CPS
• Catherine McLeod, national administrative officer, CPS
• Ralph Murray, CPS
• Elaine Jeffery, national secretary, CPS
• Harry Cole, immediate past chief commander, CPS
• Steve Prime, vice president, Gowrie Group
• Jake Hill, director of sales and marketing, McGriff, Seibels & Williams
• Richard Allsopp, US SAILING
• Janine Connelly, training director, US SAILING
• Katie Ouellette, training manager, US SAILING
• Justin McChesney-Wachs, director of marketing, SailAngle.com
Nick Chrobak and Kenneth Forster, NOAA, National Ocean Service, Office of Coast Survey, presented the following 2010 Cooperative Charting Awards for outstanding contributions to the charting and geodetic programs:

The number one individual: John J. Rodgers, SN, Charlotte/27
The number one squadron: Charlotte Power Squadron/27
The number one district: District 21

NOAA Coast Survey Award: Benjamin T. Bee, AP, Golden Corner Lakes Sail & Power Squadron/26, for five years of excellence in the Cooperative Charting Program

Kenneth Forster presented R/C Horst Boettge, SN, an outstanding service award for his participation in the Cooperative Charting Program.

BoatU.S./USPS Civic Service Award

BoatU.S. President Ruth Wood and Ted Sensenbrenner, BoatU.S. presented the 2010 Boat U.S./USPS Civic Service Award to District 5. Honorable mention awards were presented to 5th place, Patuxent River Sail/5; 4th place, St. Petersburg Sail/22; 3rd place, Colonial Sail/5; 2nd place, Golden Corner Lakes Sail/26; 1st place, Peace River Sail/22.

Jim Graybeal, president of the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators, presented a NASBLA Public Service Award to Dusty McCoy, chairman and CEO, Brunswick Corp. This award is given to companies that model safe boating practices in their advertising or corporate practices.

Joyce Shaw, vice chairman, National Safe Boating Council, reported that NSBC offers several contests each year including the Boating Safety Youth Program Award, funded by
BoatU.S. Foundation, and the Alcohol Awareness Impact Award. There is also a $5,000 grant, funded by Outboard Marine Corporation, to encourage youth to get on the water. These programs include a free trip to the International Boating Water Safety Summit.

In addition, the National Safe Boating Council will be administering seven grants funded by the Sport Fish Restoration & Boating Trust Fund Reauthorization from the United States Coast Guard. Additional information is available at www.safeboatingcouncil.org.

Randy White, president, SailAngle.com, explained that SailAngle.com is a powerful and private communication platform developed specifically for USPS. He announced that members would begin receiving a monthly letter from the chief commander. He noted that in February and March SailAngle.com would offer two webinars covering the basics of the website and how to use it.

2011 Life Members

P/Stf/C Smith, recognized members in attendance who achieved life member status in 2011. The 2011 life members received life member certificates at a reception on Friday, 4 Feb. 2011. They will receive plaques, pins and cards at their district spring conferences or at another suitable occasion. The life members for 2011 are:

Nina P. Anastasio, SN 3/Bayside
Gary L. Barnett, SN 24/Cincinnati Sail
Apryl Bernard, P 5/Absecon Island
Horst Boettge, SN 26/Golden Corner Lakes Sail
Winifred B. Bragg, AP 5/Colonial Sail
Esther E. Byerly, AP 5/Absecon Island
Michael V. Camarata, SN 1/Waterbury
Thomas L. Chadwick, N 8/Vero Beach
Louis F. Chenette, SN 24/Hoosier Sail
Frank R. Clayton, SN 26/Thurmond Lake Sail
Rodney G. Cooper. AP 29/Marion
Elizabeth Corbin, AP 5/Main Line Sail
Douglas E. Crim, JN 16/Skagit Bay Sail
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P/Stf/C Smith announced the awards that were presented during the awards ceremony on Friday, 4 Feb. 2011.

Operations Training Awards:
- 3rd place - District 28
- 2nd place - District 26
- 1st place - District 21

Leadership Development Awards:
- 3rd place - District 21
- 2nd place - District 25
- 1st place - District 22

13th USPS National Boarman Youth Poster Contest winners:

Ages 6-8:
- 3rd place - Virginia Beach/5 Garnett Blatt
- 2nd place - Peekskill Sail/2 Elle Svoboda
- 1st place - St. Louis/30 Kaylee Morris

Ages 9-11:
- 3rd place - Minnetonka/10 Kade Retterath
- 2nd place - New River Sail/27 Madi Eyster
- 1st place - Northern Neck Sail/5 Olivia Lawson

Ages 12-14:
Membership Committee Awards

New Member Awards:

District:

3rd place - District 26
2nd place - District 15
1st place - District 22

Squadron:

5th place - Seattle Sail/16
4th place - St. Petersburg Sail/22
3rd place - Darien Sail/2
2nd place - Cape Coral/22
1st place - Vero Beach Sail/8

District:

3rd place - District 26
2nd place - District 15
1st place - District 22

Growth Awards:

District:

3rd place - District 13
2nd place - District 14
1st place - District 8

Squadron:

Division 1:

5th place - Sheboygan/10
4th place - Hollywood/8
3rd place - East Hampton/3
2nd place - Point Wilson Sail/16
1st place - Southern Tier/6

Division 2:
5th place - Santa Barbara Sail/13
5th place - Kent Narrows Sail/5
4th place - Hilton Head Sail/26
3rd place - Knoxville/17
2nd place - Taunton River/14
1st place - Tybee Light/26

Division 3:
5th place - Akron/7
5th place - Poverty Bay/16
5th place - St. Petersburg Sail/22
4th place - Friday Harbor/16
3rd place - Jones Beach/3
2nd place - Darien Sail/2
1st place - Vero Beach/8

The 2010 Vessel Safety Check awards were presented to the top districts and squadrons in USPS.

The top districts:
5th place - District 20
4th place - District 7
3rd place - District 28
2nd place - District 11
1st place - District 3

The top squadrons:
5th place - Smith Mountain Lake Sail/5
4th place - Biscayne Bay/8
3rd place - Jones Beach/3
2nd place - Kankakee Valley Sail/20
1st place - South Hills/7

The 2010 Vessel Safety Check Millennium Club Award winners, for a total of 1,000 vessel safety checks were presented to:

Donald L. Wilson, SN Lake Candlewood/2
Robert C. Holub, SN (9th year) Jones Beach/3
Robert A. Ball, SN Akron/7
Kenneth B. Campbell, JN South Hills/7
Lawrence G. Stoll, AP Calumet/20
James W. Cooke Jr., P (2nd year) Fort Myers/22
Matthew Bandilla, AP Titusville/23
Dennis Ladd, SN Port Clinton/29

2011 Honorary Members

C/C Malcolm Blann Jim Graybeal Capt. Mark Rizzo
Virgil Chambers Jeff Hoedt Jim Vass
Dusty McCoy John Malatak Wayne Weeks
Ken Forster Fred Messmann Ruth Wood

Approval of the Minutes

Hearing no objections, C/C Dvorak approved the 6 Feb. 2010 Annual Meeting minutes as distributed.

C/C Dvorak announced an attendance of 709.
2011 Emeritus Members

C/C Dvorak presented Emeritus Member Awards to the following:

Ralph F. Behner, SN 29/Marion
Louis J. Capozzoli Jr., SN 15/Baton Rouge Sail
James L. Claar, SN 29/Sandusky
Stanford N. Detert, AP 22/Clearwater Sail
Jarel O. Ervin, N 13/Arrowhead Sail
Edward W. Gray, AP 22/Boca Ciega Sail
Frank M. Katz, AP 24/Cincinnati Sail
Robert A. Keller, SN 22/Boca Ciega Sail
James G. Minogue, SN 3/Peconic Bay
David L. Neth, SN 22/Naples
Paul H. Schoonover, SN 28/Phoenix Sail
Bruce W. Trudgen, AP 29/Grand Traverse Bay Sail
Jack M. West, N 21/Coastal Bend Sail

2010 Meritorious Service Awards

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

V/C David L. Hinders, SN National Secretary
R/C Kenneth N. Beckman, SN Offshore Navigation Committee
R/C Horst Boettge, SN Cooperative Charting Committee
R/C Trudy M. Brown, AP National Meetings Committee
R/C John W. Fletcher, SN Boat Operator Certification Committee
R/C R. Herman Green, JN Assistant National Educational Officer
R/C Jean L. Hamilton, SN Assistant National Secretary
R/C Samuel E. Insalaco, N Environmental Committee
R/C Kenneth D. Link, SN Committee on Nominations
R/C Robert C. Miller, SN Safety Committee
R/C Eugene E. Molteni, SN Basic Public Education Committee
C/C Dvorak called on Mary Catherine Berube, headquarters executive director, for introductions of the headquarters staff present and to give an update on the latest information from headquarters.

Mrs. Berube reported that SueLee Waller was promoted to USPS Outreach Coordinator. Mrs. Waller will manage the administrative procedures for submitting grant proposals and ensure that deadlines and grant reporting requirements are fulfilled.

In January 2011, Ray Tsuneyoshi accepted the position of USPS National Program Director. Mr. Tsuneyoshi will focus on goals and objectives to secure grants and identify sources of revenue-generating activities. He will serve as the USPS liaison to nongovernmental agencies and will promote cooperation with outside agencies and organizations on grant-related issues.

Effective 1 Dec. 2010, USPS began accepting online member applications for America’s Boating Course classroom students. To date, 199 ABC classroom students had received six-months-free trial memberships. She noted that headquarters, the Educational Department and the Information Technology Committee are working toward integrating online member data entry with the HQ800 boating class reporting system.

Mrs. Berube announced that the winner of the “Boating is Fun” photo contest was “Safe Summer Fun.” The photo was taken by Peggy Slattery of Annapolis Sail/5. Peggy will receive a handheld Flip video camera, the three runners-up will receive photo gift cards, and all the finalists will be featured in the Spring 2011 issue of The Ensign magazine.

**Report of the Committee on Rules**

R/C William I. Neef, SN, chairman, Committee on Rules, reported that since the last meeting, the Committee on Rules had worked on bylaws for three districts, 41 chartered
squadrons and one provisional squadron.

R/C Neef stated that the Asheville Power Squadron had received approval from District 17 and the Committee on Rules to change its name to Blue Ridge Sail & Power Squadron. The Governing Board ADOPTED a motion to approve the name change. (2011-AM-2)

R/C Neef summed the chief commander’s 2010 activities and recommended awarding C/C Dvorak a merit mark. The Governing Board ADOPTED the motion. (2011-AM-3)

R/C Neef stated that the Committee on Rules proposed the following amendments to the USPS Bylaws, which became effective at the 2010 Governing Board Meeting in Bellevue, Wash., on 4 Sept. 2010. Amendments A1 through A14 are housekeeping amendments which correct grammar, clarify terms and remove typographical inconsistencies.

A1.
**Section 3.8.2**
Replace the word “membership” with “member.” After amendment, the section will read as follows:

**Section 3.8.2** **Upon becoming 18 years of age, an apprentice member shall automatically become an active member unless electing to remain an apprentice member. At any time between the ages of 18 and 23 an apprentice member can irrevocably elect to become an active member. Apprentice membership shall automatically be converted to active membership at the end of the dues year in which the apprentice becomes 23 years of age.**

A2.
**Section 3.10**
Add the words “or assessments” to Section 3.10 to clarify that honorary members shall not pay assessments. After amendment, the section will read as follows:

**Section 3.10** **By delegation of Governing Board authority, the Board of Directors and equivalent bodies in the districts and squadrons**
may confer honorary membership, for not more than one year at a time, upon persons who are not members of USPS and who have made a significant contribution to safe boating or to the work of USPS. An honorary member shall have none of the privileges extended to other classes of members except to wear the USPS lapel pin. Honorary members shall pay no national or local entrance fees, annual dues, or assessments.

A3.

Section 3.13
Amend Section 3.13 by removing reference to a section no longer used. After amendment, the section will read as follows:

Section 3.13 Notwithstanding contrary language in sections 3.6 and 3.8, applicants who have not passed an approved examination may be admitted between 1 December 2006 and 1 December 2012 to any class of membership, and may take and be examined in any USPS course.

A4.

Section 4.1
Amend Section 4.1 by inserting “an appointing authority” to permit certain squadron officers to be appointed by an appointing authority as well as by the commander. After amendment, the section will read as follows:

Section 4.1 There shall be three classifications of officers, namely, national, district and squadron. The chief commander, the vice commanders, the chairmen and assistant chairmen of the general, standing and departmental committees, the chaplain(s), the flag lieutenant and the aides to the chief commander shall be national officers of USPS. The district commanders shall be national officers and at the same time they, together with officers elected by a district or appointed by a district commander thereof, shall be district officers. Officers elected by a squadron or appointed by an appointing authority thereof, shall be squadron officers. The provisions of this article shall be applied to all classifications of officers as the context may require.
A5.

Section 5.6.1
Simplify the reporting of the Committee on Nominations by amending subsection 5.6.1(1), renumbering subsection 5.6.1(2) to 5.6.1(1), and marking subsection 5.6.1(2) as “[Reserved]”. After amendment, the section will read as follows:

Section 5.6.1 The Committee on Nominations shall:
(1) As provided in sections 11.6 and 11.7 hereof, select nominees for election by the Governing Board at its annual meeting and, unless otherwise directed by the Governing Board, submit to the national secretary no later than 75 days before date of said meeting its written report of nominees for election at the meeting:

(2) [Reserved]

A6.

Section 5.18
To make typography consistent, change the words “Budget Director” to italics in Section 5.18. After amendment, the section will read as follows:

Section 5.18 There shall be an Assistant National Educational Officer, an Assistant National Secretary and an Assistant National Treasurer. The Assistant National Treasurer shall also serve as Budget Director. These assistant national officers shall assist their principals as required and in the principals’ absence act in their stead, except that such assistant officers shall not serve on the Board of Directors.

A7.

Section 6.2.1
Insert the word “also” in Section 6.2.1 to clarify the dual function of district commanders. After amendment, the section will read as follows:

Section 6.2.1 The district commander also serves as a national officer, and a member of the National Executive Department.

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A8.

Section 6.4
To make typography consistent, change the words “ex officio” in Section 6.4 to italics. After amendment, the section will read as follows:

Section 6.4 Each District Commander shall be, ex officio, a member of all committees of the district, except the Auditing, Nominating and Rules committees.

A9.

Section 7.2
Amend Section 7.2 by inserting “or, if applicable, installed” to permit squadron officers to be elected and installed at separate meetings. After amendment, the section will read as follows:

Section 7.2 Each squadron shall be governed by an Executive Committee, the voting members of which shall be the commander, the lieutenant commanders and three or more members-at-large, and if so provided in the squadron’s bylaws, the immediate past commander or the most recent past commander willing and able to serve, all of whom shall be elected or, if applicable, installed at the squadron’s annual meeting. The squadron bylaws shall specify the exact number of members-at-large.

A10.

Section 7.10.5
To make typography consistent, change the words “an ex officio” in Section 7.10.5 to “ex officio, a.” After amendment, the section will read as follows:

Section 7.10.5 Be, ex officio, a member of all squadron Educational Department boards and committees.

A11.

Section 7.12
Amend Section 7.12 by inserting “or, if applicable, installed” to permit squadron general committee members to be elected and installed at separate meetings. After amendment, the
A12. **Section 7.14**
Clarify Section 7.14 by removing the word “family” and changing the words “and” to “of” and “active family member” to “family unit.” After amendment, the section will read as follows:

**Section 7.14** Each member’s annual squadron dues and other fees, as determined by the squadron executive committee, shall be billed by USPS Headquarters and payable on the same date as the member’s annual dues. Bills for the subsequent year’s dues shall be mailed to members by USPS headquarters no later than 30 days before the end of the member’s current dues year. Dues for members of the dues category of “family unit” shall be billed to the associated primary active member. Notwithstanding the above headquarters action, the squadron treasurer shall collect dues and other fees, when due, from new members, transferring members, reinstating members and associate members and remains responsible for settling district assessments with the district treasurer.

A13. **Section 7.19**
Amend Section 7.19 by deleting the word “family” and inserting the word “apprentice.” After amendment, the section will read as follows:

**Section 7.19** Membership of active and apprentice members in good standing in USPS shall not be affected by the revocation, withdrawal, or suspension of the charter of a squadron to which a member belongs provided the member transfers to a currently active squadron, a
A14.

Section 13.5.6
Amend Section 13.5.6 by deleting the redundant words “is entitled.” After amendment, the section will read as follows:

Section 13.5.6 If and when the holder of a woman’s certificate becomes an active member of USPS, examinations in advanced grades or elective courses passed while a woman’s certificate holder shall be recognized and the membership record shall be so endorsed and the member shall be entitled to such grade or qualification as an active member for having passed the same examination.

The Governing Board ADOPTED the motion to amend the USPS Bylaws noted in amendments A1 through A14. (2011-AM-4)

R/C Neef reported that amendments B1 through B3 state that underage active members may serve on committees and participate in squadron activities but cannot be appointed or elected to positions of decision-making responsibility. This will clarify the rights, privileges and responsibilities of the new active members who were formerly considered part of the family member class, which no longer exists.

B1.

Section 3.1
Insert the phrase “at least 18 years of age” in Section 3.1 to clarify that only active members who are of legal age may participate fully in decision-making activities of USPS. After amendment, the section will read as follows:

Section 3.1 There shall be four classes of members: active members, apprentice members, corporate members, and honorary members. Active members at least 18 years of age shall have all the privileges of membership in USPS while the other classes of members shall have limited privileges as noted below.
B2.  

Section 3.7.1
Insert the phrase “as a committee chairman” in Section 3.7.1 and 3.8.1 to clarify that underage active members may not serve as committee chairmen. After amendment, the sections will read as follows:

**Section 3.7.1** Members less than 18 years of age shall be entered as active members and may enroll in courses and receive merit marks. They shall also be entitled to wear the uniform, fly the ensign, and attend any business meeting of USPS or any district or squadron, but may not serve in an elected position or as a committee chairman or vote at any business meeting.

**Section 3.8.1** Apprentice members shall be entitled to the same rights and benefits of membership in USPS as active members, including the right to take advanced grade and elective courses, serve on appointed committees as provided in Section 4.5.1 and earn merit marks. However, they may not serve in an elected position, as a committee chairman or vote at any business meeting of USPS or any district or squadron.

B3.  

Section 7.8
Insert the phrase “at least 18 years of age” in Section 7.8 to clarify that only active members who are of legal age may participate fully in decision-making activities of USPS. After amendment, the section will read as follows:

**Section 7.8** All elected squadron officers shall be active members at least 18 years of age in good standing of that squadron and shall be elected as prescribed in the squadron bylaws except that the squadron educational officer and assistant squadron educational officer, if any, shall be elected as prescribed in 4.6 herein.

The Governing Board ADOPTED a motion to amend the *USPS Bylaws* as noted in
R/C Neef stated that amendments C1 through C5 permit squadrons to simplify the organization of their educational department and to recover various costs incurred in providing educational opportunities to members and the public. He requested that amendment C3 be pulled from the group for reconsideration by the Committee on Rules.

C1.

Section 7.11
To amend Section 7.11 to make the requirement for local boards optional by changing the word “shall” to “may” and to permit local boards for seminars by adding the words “and Seminars.” After amendment, the sections will read as follows:

Section 7.11  Each squadron may have Local Boards for Boating, Advanced Grades, Elective Courses, and Seminars. Such boards shall at all times be subject to the direction and supervision of the squadron educational officer.

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Section 7.11.3 - 7.11.6
To clarify the responsibilities of local boards, delete the word “shall” and insert the words “if appointed, will” after the name of the board in Sections 7.11.3, 4, and 5 and to indicate the responsibilities of the local board for seminars in Section 7.11.6. After amendment, the sections will read as follows:

Section 7.11.3  The Local Board for Boating, if appointed, will be responsible for the squadron program of instruction and examination in boating courses offered to the public.

Section 7.11.4  The Local Board for Advanced Grades, if appointed, will be responsible for the squadron program of instruction and examination in advanced grade courses.

Section 7.11.5  The Local Board for Elective Courses, if appointed,
will be responsible for the squadron program of instruction and examination in elective courses.

Section 7.11.6 The Local Board for Seminars, if appointed, will be responsible for the squadron program of instruction in seminars to members and to the public.

C4. Section 17.2
To amend Section 17.2 to permit squadrons to collect amounts to cover material, facility and operating costs of providing boating safety course instruction. After amendment, the sections will read as follows:

Section 17.2 Instruction in boating safety courses shall be without charge to any student. Amounts may be collected as determined by the squadron to cover reasonable costs of materials, facilities, and any squadron operating costs. Any person sitting for the examination only, without taking classroom instruction, may be charged a fee set or delegated by the Board of Directors to cover the cost of administering the examination and the necessary reports required to be filed with USPS.

C5. Section 17.3
To amend Section 17.3 to agree with current practice. After amendment, the sections will read as follows:

Section 17.3 A squadron shall issue without charge to any person who has passed the prescribed boating safety course examination, a certificate supplied by the National Educational Department and signed by the Squadron Commander. Such certificate shall be known as the Certificate of Completion. The issuance of such a certificate shall not confer rights of any sort, including membership.
The Governing Board ADOPTED a motion to remand amendment C3 to the Committee on Rules for reconsideration and rewriting. (2011-AM-6)

The Governing Board ADOPTED the motion to amend the USPS Bylaws noted on amendments C1, C2, C4, and C5. (2011-AM-7)

R/C Neef announced that effective 1 March 2011, updated model bylaws for districts and squadrons would be available on the committee’s website.

**Report of the Finance Committee**

R/C Thomas Ellis, JN, reported that the Finance Committee’s report was based on unaudited figures for the 2010 fiscal year. The funds under management of the Finance Committee as of 30 Nov. 2010 totaled $2,344,364. These dollars are broken up into two major portfolios.

The USPS Investment Portfolio was valued at $1,011,579. The total investment return for the 12 months on an adjusted basis, was a gain of $66,581, for a total rate of return of 7.05 percent. This was accomplished with a mix of conservative investments, with approximately 50 percent equities and 50 percent fixed income investments. R/C Ellis reported that USPS mutual funds increased in value by 12.5 percent in FY 2010.

R/C Ellis reported that as of 30 Nov. 2010, the value of the Endowment Fund was $1,332,604. He noted that the target asset allocation mix was 25 percent equity and 75 percent fixed income investments and that the current asset allocation mix was 26 percent equity and 74 percent fixed income.

R/C Ellis moved that the Governing Board approve the appointment of Dixon Hughes of Raleigh, N.C., as the independent auditors for FY2011. The Governing Board ADOPTED the motion to appoint Dixon Hughes of Raleigh, N.C., as the independent auditors for FY 2011. (2011-AM-8)

**Report of the National Law Officer**

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R/C Gregory E. Korstad, AP, updated the Governing Board on LawCom projects including intellectual properties, nonprofit regulations, and liabilities and insurance matters.

R/C Korstad reported that LawCom had established a mechanism to better manage the 23 intellectual properties, trademarks and copyrights owned by USPS.

R/C Korstad reported that states are looking more closely at how nonprofit organizations are operated and how they manage charitable responsibilities. He noted that the Law Committee is available to assist district and squadrons if necessary.

The national law officer reminded districts and squadrons that all activities should be well documented in minutes to ensure liability coverage.

**Report of the Planning Committee**

R/C Jeff C. Hamilton, AP, reported that the Planning Committee presented its recommendations on adding outside directors to the USPS Board of Directors. He noted that the committee continues to look for ways to improve national meetings and simplify squadron operations.

R/C Hamilton reported that the Planning Committee has almost completed its report on the role of districts, how they currently operate and how they could support squadrons.

R/C Hamilton reported that Planning Committee resources are available at www.usps.org/national/plancom.

**Report of the National Treasurer**

V/C Richard M. Peoples, SN, reported that unaudited 2010 figures showed a loss of $17,475 compared to $60,000 in 2009. He noted that expenses were $296,263 below budget and thanked USPS officers, committees and headquarters personnel for their efforts. He noted that investment income including the Endowment Fund totaled $100,838. Contributions to the Endowment Fund totaled $68,725. He said that in 2010 and 2011, $15,000 from Endowment Fund earnings would be used to fund the Leadership Development Training Program.
V/C Peoples stated that there were 2,945 life members as of 31 Dec. 2010, costing USPS approximately $90,000 in revenue annually. He stated that it may be necessary to develop a future program to offset these losses. He welcomed ideas on how to replace this lost income.

The national treasurer stated that the Board of Directors approved the updated National Meetings Committee Financial Procedures Management Policy, which moves more responsibility to headquarters accounting.

V/C Peoples reported that the Board of Directors approved waiving national dues for USPS members serving in the U.S. Armed Forces while serving in a war zone.

The national treasurer reported that national dues would increase by $2 effective 1 June 2011.

R/C Peoples requested all district and squadron treasurers to file the IRS 990 form and the HQ TR-1 form in a timely manner. Failing to file with the IRS could result in the loss of a district or squadron’s tax-exempt status. Members can find all the all insurance information as well as treasurer information on the USPS Treasurer’s website at www.usps.org/national/treasurer.

**Report of the National Secretary**

V/C David L. Hinders, SN, was unable to attend due to a family illness, and R/C Jean L. Hamilton, SN, reported on his behalf.

R/C Hamilton reported that V/C Hinders’ goals were service, communications, simplification and fun. She noted that the Secretary’s Department’s primary objective is to provide timely answers to all queries.

R/C Hamilton reported on several accomplishments during 2010. An order-tracking system was implemented to notify members when an order is received and shipped. Squadron commanders are notified each month of members whose dues are in arrears. Members with valid email addresses receive an electronic dues notice, which is a significant financial and labor savings to USPS.
R/C Hamilton noted that the *Operations Manual* is updated at least twice each year. The *Operations Manual* now contains the Secretary’s, Treasurer’s, Membership and Squadron Development Committee manuals.

The Flag & Etiquette Committee published the second edition of “How to Fly Flags,” which can be ordered from the Ship’s Store.

The Ship’s Store Committee is continually adding new and interesting products to ensure that members have an opportunity to purchase them at national meetings and online.

R/C Hamilton reported that merit marks are now distributed electronically to those members with valid email addresses. In 2010, more than 9,000 merit marks were distributed electronically, at an approximate savings of $10,000.

The Communications Committee reported that monthly broadcasts began more than three years ago with the target audience of squadron commanders. The publication list has expanded to include all USPS officers as well as any member who would like to subscribe at [www.usps.org/newpublic2/broadcast.html](http://www.usps.org/newpublic2/broadcast.html).

R/C Hamilton reported that the Flag & Etiquette Committee reviews new and updated burgees and flags. She reported that the committee recommended, and she approved, a burgee for Blue Ridge Sail/17, and 50th anniversary burgees for Minnetonka/10, Ventura/13, and Delhigh/5.

**Report of the National Administrative Officer**

V/C Robert A. Baldridge, SN, reported that the Membership Committee has been working on several projects. The Very Important Members pin allocations were calculated at 75 percent of new members joining per squadron and will be mailed following the 2011 Annual Meeting.

The Membership Committee reported that 63 squadrons earned the Doing It Right Award in 2010. The list of winning squadrons is posted at [www.usps.org/national/membership/awards](http://www.usps.org/national/membership/awards).
V/C Baldridge reported that the 2010 National Scout Jamboree was a tremendous success. He presented a special award to Lt. Roberta Dougherty, AP, and Lt/C Brian Becker, AP, in appreciation of their dedication and efforts.

V/C Baldridge called on Stf/C Lee Popham, SN, to present the 2011 P/C/C Raymond A. Finley Jr., SN, Sea Scout Service Awards. Stf/C Popham was assisted by Jimmie Homburg and Charles Holmes in presenting the awards.

Youth Recipients for 2011

John Long          Abbey King          Michael Philbrook
Andrew Cropp       John Washburn       Vanya Keyes

Adult Recipients for 2011

R/C Constance H. Beckman, N, St. Petersburg Sail/22
P/C Leonard M. Long, AP, Baton Rouge Sail/15
Robert M. Kropp, AP, St. Petersburg Sail/22
Lt/C Brian Becker, AP, Patapsco River/5

C/C Dvorak presented the USPS Meritorious Service Award to Charles Holmes and Jimmie Homburg for fostering good relations between USPS and the Boy Scouts of America.

The Member Benefits Committee reported that the Affinity marketing program is under way, with 11 distinct new member benefits. Details on all member benefits can be found at www.usps.org/national/admin_dept/membenefits.htm.

The Leadership Development Committee reported that 360 members had completed the DAO/SAO Leadership Planning Course, of which 53 percent were administrative officers.

The DXO/SXO course was beta tested on 9 Oct. 2010. V/C Baldridge said feedback was very positive, and the course will be offered in several locations in 2011. Details can be found at www.usps.org/national/ot/.
The Leadership Development Committee is revising the Operations Training and District Job Descriptions manuals, which will be posted on the committee’s website.

R/C Pete Hames, AP, recognized C/C Dvorak and V/C Baldridge for completing the Administrative Officer Leadership Seminar.

C/C Dvorak announced the top two squadrons in leadership growth in 2010.

Highest percentage membership growth:
Southern Tier/6 - 125 percent

Most new members:
Vero Beach/8 - 83 new members

The winning squadron will receive three airline tickets to the 2011 Fall Governing Board Meeting in Greensboro, N.C.

Report of the National Educational Officer

V/C Robert J. Sweet, SN, reported that the Practical On-The-Water Training Program, funded by a USCG grant, is near completion. The first formal instructor training program will be conducted in early March 2011, with plans to roll out the program across the country in fall 2011.

V/C Sweet reported that USPS established a partnership with Brunswick Corp., the world’s largest boat manufacturer. Brunswick dealers will become USPS members, and squadrons will have access to participating dealer facilities including classroom space, docks and the use of loaner boats.

The national educational officer reported that three new committees were established in 2010 to address emerging needs in education and training. The Boat Operator Certification Committee will administer the boater certification and on-the-water training programs. The Outreach Committee will develop online and distance learning courses while working with other organizations and institutions. The Publishing Committee will package USPS courses in various
V/C Sweet 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 Sweet, assisted by C/C Dvorak, presented the 2010 Chapman Awards to:

D/Lt/C Douglas S. Burdett, SN Waterbury/1
Lt/C Donald J. Petersen, JN Las Vegas Sail/13
Lt/C William A. Ray, AP Seattle Sail/16
P/C Shelton Sawyer, SN Atlanta Sail/17
P/D/Lt/C Hilton B. Dickerson, AP Dallas Sail/21

V/C Sweet, assisted by C/C Dvorak, presented the Outstanding Educational Achievement Awards to the following squadrons for their overall performance:

3rd place - Golden Isles Sail/26
2nd place - Las Vegas Sail/13
1st place - Racine Sail/20

Report of the National Executive Officer

V/C John T. Alter, SN, reported that 32,716 vessel safety checks were performed in 2010.

The Squadron Development Committee reported that there were potential new squadrons in Eureka, Calif.; Joplin, Mo.; and Oswego, N.Y. He reported that the Board of Directors granted provisional squadron status to the Hawaii Provisional Squadron.

The National Meetings Committee reported that the 2012 Annual Meeting will be held at the Hyatt Regency, Jacksonville, Fla., from 25 to 29 Jan. 2012.

V/C Alter reported that the Board of Directors approved holding the 2013 Governing Board Meeting at the Grand Hyatt San Antonio. The Governing Board ADOPTED a motion to hold the 2013 Governing Board Meeting at the Grand Hyatt San Antonio, from 1 to 9 Sept. 2013,
at a room rate of $139 per night. (2011-AM-9)

The Marketing and Public Relations Committee reported that they are continuing to seek approval of a commemorative postage stamp to honor USPS’s 100th anniversary in 2014.

The national executive officer requested that the Governing Board dissolve San Fernando Valley Sail/13. The Governing Board ADOPTED a motion to dissolve San Fernando Valley Sail/13. (2011-AM-10)

V/C Alter called on R/C Gregory T. Scotten, SN, to present the 2010 National Ship’s Bell Award to Boating Times, Long Island magazine. R/C Scotten explained that this award is presented to businesses, civic groups, squadrons and individuals who make outstanding contributions to safe boating and the objectives of USPS.

V/C Alter called on R/C Horst Boettge, SN, to present the 2010 Golden Eagle Award to P/C Joanne Hancock, SN, Stark County/7.

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Report of the Chief Commander

C/C Frank A. Dvorak, SN, presented plaques to P/C/C G. Leslie Johnson, SN, and Mary Lou Johnson, and V/C Robert A. Baldrige, SN, and Nancy Baldrige, for contributing $10,000 to the USPS Endowment (Century) Fund.

C/C Dvorak reviewed the actions taken by the Board of Directors during its meeting on 1 Feb. 2011.

1) A motion to update the USPS corporate resolution authorizing specific individuals to execute financial transactions on behalf of USPS, effective at 4 p.m. 5 Feb 2011.

2) A motion to retroactively approve removing the restriction that events nominated for the USPS Safety Award to not have to occur in U.S. waters.
3) A motion authorizing the national educational officer to determine case by case whether boating course material is approved by USPS.

4) A motion to present a special chief commander’s award to Charles Kendall, SN, Old Colony/12, in recognition of his 50 years of service to USPS.

5) A motion to approve provisional squadron status for Hawaii Provisional Squadron.

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

C/C Dvorak turned the chair over to P/C/C L.M. Barnes III, SN, to conduct the elections. The national secretary declared that no nominations by petition had been filed.

**Report of the Committee on Nominations**

R/C Kenneth D. Link, SN, said “In accordance with provisions of the *USPS Bylaws*, Article 11, Section 11.6, the Committee on Nominations unanimously submits its report of nominees to be voted on at the USPS 2011 Annual Meeting of Delegates.”

**Chief Commander**

C/C Frank A. Dvorak, SN (Bellevue Sail/16)

**National Executive Officer**

V/C John T. Alter, SN (Raleigh Sail/27)

**National Educational Officer**

V/C Robert Sweet, SN (Buzzards Bay Sail/14)

**National Administrative Officer**

V/C Robert A. Baldridge, SN (Baton Rouge Sail/15)

**National Secretary**

V/C Jean L. Hamilton, SN (Houston Sail/21)

**National Treasurer**

V/C Richard M. Peoples, SN (Banana River Sail/23)
Past Chief Commander

P/C/C Creighton C. Maynard Jr., SN (Fort Worth/21)

R/C Link made a motion to elect the nominees to serve as Bridge officers and members of the Board of Directors and P/C/C Creighton C. Maynard Jr., SN, to serve as a member of the Board of Directors. The Governing Board ADOPTED the motion. (2010-AM-11)

R/C Link stated, “In accordance with provisions of the *USPS Bylaws*, Article 11, Section 11.6, the Committee on Nominations unanimously submits its report of nominees to be voted on and moves the election of the members of the Committee on Nominations as follows.”

**NOMINEES FOR GENERAL MEMBERS OF THE 2011 GOVERNING BOARD**

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In accordance with *USPS Bylaws* sections 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**

**GENERAL COMMITTEES**
Committee on Rules .................. R/C William I. Neef, SN (Boca Ciega Sail/22)
Committee on Nominations ........ R/C Howard E. Yoas, SN (Austin/21)

**STANDING COMMITTEES**
Finance .......................... R/C Thomas H. Ellis, JN (Vero Beach/8)
Law Officer ...................... R/C Gregory Korstad, AP (Minnetonka/10)
Planning ......................... R/C Jeff Hamilton, AP (Minnetonka/10)

**EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT COMMITTEES**
Cooperative Charting ............ R/C James H. Strothers, SN (Sanibel Captiva Sail/22)
Environmental .................. R/C Samuel A. Woodruff Jr., AP (Columbus Sail/29)
Government & Partner Relations .. R/C Richard Gercak, AP (Fort Walton Sail/15)
Marketing and Public Relations .. R/C Gregory T. Scotten, SN (Peace River Sail/22)
National Meetings .............. R/C Donald C. Clark, JN (Ocala/23)
Safety .......................... R/C Daniel H. Joyce, SN (Fort Worth/21)
Squadron Development ............... R/C Gerardo J. Caprario, JN (Watchung Sail/4)

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT
Assistant Nat’l Educational Officer . R/C Eugene E. Molteni, SN (Bayside/3)
Assistant Nat’l Educational Officer . R/C Robert R. Palmer, SN (Richmond Sail/5)
Basic Public Education ............... R/C Richard L. Carson, JN (Perdido Bay/15)
Boat Handling ....................... TBD
Boat Operator Certification ........... R/C Chris L. Windeler, SN (Lackawanna Sail/4)
Educational Outreach ................. R/C Wilbur G. Hugli, SN (Fort Walton Sail/15)
Electro-Mechanical Systems .......... R/C Gene A. Danko, SN (Rockville Sail/5)
Inland & Coastal Navigation .......... R/C Richard W. Mcgaughy, JN (Four Rivers Sail/30)
Instructor Development ............... R/C Arthur A. Mollica, SN (St. Paul Sail/10)
Marine Environment ................. R/C Ronald H. Kessel, SN (Cape Cod Sail/14)
Offshore Navigation ................. RC Donald C. Fiander, SN (Birmingham/9)
Publishing ............................. R/C S. Patricia Greer, SN (Raritan Bay/4)

ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT
Leadership Development ............... R/C Peter H. Hames, AP (Houston Sail/21)
Member Benefits ..................... R/C Joseph Balbo, AP (Shrewsbury/4)
Membership Committee ............... R/C Connie Beckman, N (St. Petersburg Sail/22)
Squadron Activities ................. R/C Steven L. Johnson, AP (Norman Sail/31)

SECRETARY’S DEPARTMENT
Assistant Secretary ..................... R/C Peter W. Mitchelson, SN (Sebastian Inlet Sail/8)
Communications ...................... R/C Brenda J. Joyce, P (Fort Worth/21)
Flag and Etiquette ..................... RC Joseph A. Tringali, SN (Palm Beach Sail/8)
Historian .............................. R/C Louis Reitz, AP (Ocean City/5)
Information Technology .............. R/C John R. Bradley, SN (Great South Bay/3)
Operations Manual .................... R/C Harry W. Hebb, SN (Pensacola Sail/15)
Ship’s Store ........................... R/C Ann E. Frenz, SN (Patchogue Bay/3)

TREASURER’S DEPARTMENT
Asst. Treasurer & Budget Director . R/C Thomas M. Derden, SN (Houston Sail/21)
Budget Officers:

Exec. & Admin. Dept. . . . . R/C Gary P. Cheney, SN (Erie/11)
Educational Department . . . R/C Nigel E. Hargreaves, SN (Sebastian Inlet Sail/8)
Secretary’s Department . . . R/C Gary L. McKinley, SN (Mansfield/7)

FOR STAFF COMMANDERS

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

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
Asst/Ch Cooperative Charting . . . . Stf/C John J. Rodgers, SN (Charlotte/27)
Asst/Ch Cooperative Charting . . . . Stf/C Diane M. Julum, JN (Portland/32)
Asst/Ch Environmental . . . . . . . Stf/C Thomas D. Myers, JN (Fort Macon Sail/27)
Asst/Ch Govt/Partner Relations . . Stf/C Howard F. Manly, AP (Hampton Roads/5)
Asst/Ch Govt/Partner Relations . . Stf/C Lawrence A. Rathbun, JN (Mobile Sail/15)
Asst/Ch Marketing/PR . . . . . . . . Stf/C Barbara Erickson, JN (Seattle Sail/16)
Asst/Ch Marketing/PR . . . . . . . . Stf/C Delmar K. Henry, SN (The Valley Sail/13)
Asst/Ch Marketing/PR . . . . . . . . Stf/C Kenneth H. Voight, AP (Tres Rios/13)
Asst/Ch National Meetings . . . . Stf/C Bedford L. Dabney, P (Boca Ciega Sail/22)
Asst/Ch/Squadron Development . . Stf/C Richard O. Manter, AP (Fort Wayne Sail/29)
Asst/Ch Safety . . . . . . . . . . Stf/C William J. McDonald, AP (Hoosier Sail/24)
Asst/Ch Safety . . . . . . . . . . Stf/C Thomas T. Roscoe, AP (Lakes Region Sail/19)
Asst/Ch Safety . . . . . . . . . . Stf/C Michael S. Wiedel, JN (Milwaukee Sail/10)

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT
Asst/Ch Basic Public Education . . . Stf/C David A. Daniels, SN (Susquenango/6)
Asst/Ch Basic Public Education . . . Stf/C George Malindzak, SN (Raleigh Sail/27)
Asst/Ch Boat Handling . . . . . . . . Stf/C John C. Bennett, SN (Grosse Point/9)
Asst/Ch Boat Handling . . . . . . . . Stf/C Jarel O. Ervin, JN (Arrowhead Sail/13)
Asst/Ch Boat Operator Certification Stf/C J. Christopher Brown, SN (Bellevue Sail/16)
Asst/Ch Boat Operator Certification Stf/C Tim Tate, AP (Savannah River Sail/26)
Asst/Ch Educational Outreach . . . . Stf/C Donald E. Stone, AP (Charles River Sail/12)
Asst/Ch Electro-Mechanical Sys . . Stf/C Bernard T. O’Connor, JN (Crystal River/22)
Asst/Ch Electro-Mechanical Sys . . Stf/C Jeffrey D. Wise, SN (Atlanta Sail/17)
Asst/Ch Inland & Coastal Nav . . . . Stf/C Luther C. Abel, SN (Santa Clara/25)
Asst/Ch Inland & Coastal Nav . . . . Stf/C John P. Cook, SN (Chattanooga/17)
Asst/Ch Instructor Development . . Stf/C Leslie W. Williams Jr., JN (Saybrook/1)
Asst/Ch Instructor Development . . Stf/C Tom Shuell, JN (Swiftwater/6)
Asst/Ch Marine Environment . . . . Stf/C Robert F. Anderson, AP (Bremerton Sail/16)
Asst/Ch Marine Environment . . . . Stf/C Charles J. Wells, JN (Rockville Sail/5)
Asst/Ch Offshore Navigation . . . . Stf/C Kenneth J. Boyd, SN (Costa de Oro/13)
Asst/Ch Offshore Navigation . . . . Stf/C Steven R. Abbott, N (Sanibel Captiva Sail/22)
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 Priscilla B. Clarke, AP (Swiftwater/6)
Asst/Ch Publishing . . . . . . . . . . . . Stf/C Robert L. Potter, SN (Kankakee Valley Sail/20)

ADMINISTRATIVE DEPARTMENT
Asst/Ch Leadership Development . . Stf/C Susan L. Darcy, JN (Berkshire Sail/2)
Asst/Ch Leadership Development . . Stf/C Louis R. Loth, AP (Balboa/28)
Asst/Ch Leadership Development . . Stf/C Anita F. Walker, JN (Pompano Beach/8)
Asst/Ch Membership . . . . . . . . . . Stf/C Kristi Watson Anderson, P (Sebastian Inlet Sail/8)
Asst/Ch Membership . . . . . . . . . . Stf/C Sandra S. Krupa, P (St. Petersburg Sail/22)
Asst/Ch Membership . . . . . . . . . . Stf/C Wayne F. Partie, JN (Boca Ciega Sail/22)
Asst/Ch Squadron Activities . . . . Stf/C Karl E. Lang, SN (Bellevue Sail/16)
Asst/Ch Squadron Activities . . . . Stf/C Paula F. Mizell, AP (Raleigh Sail/27)

SECRETARY’S DEPARTMENT
Asst/Ch Communications . . . . Stf/C Guy J. Anastasio, SN (Bayside/3)
Asst/Ch Communications . . . . Stf/C Robert H. Boal, SN (North Strand Sail/26)
Asst/Ch Flag and Etiquette . . . . Stf/C Donald C. Schult Sr., SN (Central Wisconsin Sail/10)
Asst/Ch Historian . . . . . . . . . . . Stf/C Katharine J. Jones, S (Dundalk Sail/5)
Asst/Ch Information Technology . . Stf/C Miguel Long, JN (Sewaneka/3)
Asst/Ch Operations Manual . . . . Stf/C Tracy L. Simpson, AP (Four Rivers Sail/30)
Asst/Ch Ship’s Store . . . . . . . . . . . . Stf/C Susan D. Albertson, S (Oklahoma City Sail/31)
Asst/Ch Ship’s Store ............. Stf/C Catherine (Karen) Swackhamer, S (Watchung Sail/4)

TREASURER’S DEPARTMENT
Asst/Budget Off/Exec. & Admin. . . Stf/C Ronald Osburn, SN (Golden Corner Lakes Sail/26)
Asst/Budget Off/Educ. ............. Stf/C William R. Gillette, AP (Key West Sail/8)
Asst/Budget Off/Sec. ............. Stf/C Kenneth Wilkinson, AP (Lake Charles Sail/21)

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 2011 by this Governing Board:

COMMITTEE ON RULES
Members of the Committee ........ P/R/C Philip Arcuni, SN (Key West Sail/8)
........................................ P/D/C Ralph A. Bernard, AP (Absecon Island/5)
........................................ D/Lt/C Robert E. Canfield, JN (Rockford/20)
........................................ P/D/C Jeffrey C. Gerwig, AP (Darien Sail/2)
........................................ Stf/C Artemas M. Pickard, SN (Portland Head Sail/19)
........................................ P/D/Lt/C Carl N. Johnson, SN (Portsmouth Sail/19)

COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS
Members of the Committee ........ P/R/C Ann T. Bailey, AP (Raleigh Sail/27)
........................................ P/R/C Kenneth L. Griffing, SN (Arrowhead Sail/13)
........................................ P/R/C Sandra Johnson, AP (Norman Sail/31)
........................................ P/C/C Ernest G. Marshburn, SN (Tar River/27)
........................................ D/C James McCurry, AP (Shallotte River Sail/27)
........................................ P/D/C W. Lyle Rea, SN (Peace River Sail/22)
........................................ P/V/C James E. Roeber, SN (Spokane Sail/16)

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 2011 by this Governing Board:

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**
Members of the Committee . . . . . . Lt Robert E. Brandenstein, SN (Pittsburgh/7)
........................................ P/Lt/C Dorothy Ellis, JN (Vero Beach/8)
........................................ P/D/C F. Robert Ginsberg, SN (Atlanta Sail/17)

**LAW COMMITTEE**
Members of the Committee . . . . . . P/D/C Horacio A. Cabrera, AP (San Juan/33)
........................................ Lt Enrique Estevez, AP (Central Florida Sail/23)
........................................ Cdr Michael D. Friedman, JN (New York Sail/4)
........................................ P/R/C Noel K. McKeown, SN (Dayton Sail/24)
........................................ P/D/C Robert L. O’Connell, SN (Buffalo/6)
........................................ D/C Natalie E. Witty, JN (Skokie Valley/20)

**PLANNING COMMITTEE**
Members of the Committee . . . . . . P/R/C Michael J. Horowitz, JN (Shrewsbury/4)
........................................ P/D/C William A. Johnson, SN (Phoenix Sail/28)
........................................ P/R/C Allan W. Lakin, SN (The Valley Sail/13)
........................................ R/C Gary L. McKinley, SN (Mansfield/7)
........................................ P/D/C Peter TenBrink, JN (Jones Beach/3)
........................................ Lt Jerry H. Hall, SN (Cape Fear 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:
Earl J. Mummert (Sarasota/22) 1st year, second 3 year-term
Fred Mangelsdorf (Mid-Hudson/2) 1st year, first 3 year-term

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

Spencer P. Anderson (Sebastian Inlet Sail/8) 3rd year, second 3 year-term
David Drummond (Raritan Bay/4) 2nd year, first 3 year-term
Kenneth L. Griffing (Arrowhead Sail/13) 2nd year, first 3 year-term
Richard E. Kyle (Saybrook/1) 3rd year, first 3 year-term
Barbara Spraggins (Berea/7) Appointed Administrative Assistant

The Governing Board ADOPTED the motion to accept the group of nominees by acclamation. (2011-AM-12)

P/C/C Barnes asked P/R/C Robert D. Holub, SN, to escort C/C Frank A. Dvorak, SN, and Vivien Dvorak to the stage area. P/C/C Barnes then administered the oath of the office to C/C Dvorak.

C/C Dvorak administered the oath of office to the 2011 national Bridge officers.

C/C Dvorak presented V/C Jean L. Hamilton, SN, national secretary, with a flag of office and noted that she was the first woman to serve on the national Bridge.

**Report of the USPS Educational Fund**

P/V/C Spencer P. Anderson, SN, chairman, reported that the balance in the USPS Educational Fund is approximately $2.6 million. Contributions received in 2010 totaled more than $31,000.

P/V/C Anderson reported that the Educational Fund approved three new grants for approximately $16,000. Two were awarded to the USPS Educational Department; the first is for funding to investigate course management systems, and the second would be used to purchase software for facilitating the development, transfer and presentation of new educational material.
The Educational Fund also awarded a grant to Cincinnati Sail/24 to provide free Paddle Smart seminar materials for up to 200 participants at the 10th anniversary of the Ohio River Way Paddlefest to be held in June 2011.

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USPS Chaplain Rodney G. Landsman, AP, delivered the benediction.

C/C Dvorak adjourned the meeting at 1600.

V/C Jean L. Hamilton, SN
National Secretary
**Action Summary**

5 Feb. 2011

**ADOPTED**

1) A motion to confirm the 4 Sept. 2010 Governing Board Meeting minutes. (2011-AM-1)

2) A motion for Asheville/17 to change its name to Blue Ridge Sail & Power Squadron/17. (2011-AM-2)

3) A motion to award a merit mark to C/C Dvorak. (2011-AM-3)

4) A motion to amend the *USPS Bylaws* as noted in amendments A1 through A14. (2011-AM-4)

5) A motion to amend the *USPS Bylaws* as noted in amendments B1 through B3. (2011-AM-5)

6) A motion to remand amendment C3 to the Committee on Rules for reconsideration and rewriting. (2011-AM-6)

7) A motion to amend the *USPS Bylaws* as noted on amendments C1, C2, C4 and C5. (2011-AM-7)

8) A motion to appoint Dixon Hughes of Raleigh, N.C., as the independent auditors for FY 2011. (2011-AM-8)

9) A motion to hold the 2013 Governing Board Meeting at the Grand Hyatt San Antonio, from 1 to 9 Sept. 2013, at a room rate of $139 per night. (2011-AM-9)

10) A motion to dissolve San Fernando Valley Sail/13. (2011-AM-10)

11) A motion to elect the nominees to serve as Bridge officers and members of the Board of Directors and P/C/C Creighton C. Maynard Jr., SN, to serve as a member of the Board of Directors. (2011-AM-11)

12) A motion to accept the group of nominees to serve as trustees of the USPS Educational Fund by acclamation. (2011-AM-12)