

**GREATER CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL
NAVY LEAGUE OF THE UNITED STATES**

Business Meeting

Minutes

12 March 2008



Attendees:

James Brotherton	Jeanie Coffey	Glenn Looney	Kathy Pillmore
Nancy Brotherton	Lee Hagan	Max Miller	Jack Ritter
Bruce Byron	George Haley	Randy Patterson	

Call to Order: The 12 March 2008 business meeting of the Greater Central Texas Council (hereafter GCTC) of the Navy League of the United States (hereafter NLUS) convened at 12 noon in the South Austin Red Lobster restaurant with President James Brotherton presiding. Eleven council members were in attendance.

Minutes of previous meetings:

Minutes of the 9 January business meeting were accepted on a motion from Bruce Byron that was seconded by Randy Patterson.

Distinguished Speaker's Program

- **April 17** – Rear Admiral Jerry R. Kelley, USN, MD --- all is OK
- **June 19** – Catherine Leahey, CDR, USN (Ret.) --- all is OK
- **July 31** – Rear Admiral Burhoe, USCG --- all is OK
- **September 25** – Rear Admiral Flynn, USN--- tentative, might be changed
- **November 6** – (UT NROTC reunion is 8 November) --- Rear Admiral Smith, USN (Ret.) --- he is confirmed, we need to confirm his rank
- **December 4** – (Annual Business Meeting) --- Rear Admiral Davenport --- tentative

Agenda for the April 17 dinner meeting (discussed; no issues)

Proposed 2008 council officers meetings:

- 14 May
- 20 August
- 8 October
- 12 November

The Anchor newsletter – Kathy Pillmore, editor

Kathy Pillmore reported on the cost of printing and mailing our Council newsletter. Max Miller reminded Kathy to save color copies for the annual report.

Council website

Glenn Looney reported that our website was seriously hacked for the 4th time. Jim Brotherton said to notify National of the attack.

Old Business

Randy Patterson reported on the purchase of a laptop computer and speaker. There is \$800 in the budget for this purchase. Bruce Byron moved to purchase a computer and speakers. Jeanie Coffey seconded the motion. After discussion the motion passed unanimously.

Officer Reports –

VP Operations -- Lee Hagan

□ *Sea Cadets*

- Jim and Lee go to Fort Hood March 9 for the annual review. Through a recent recruiting effort the unit has grown to 14.
- There is good support and facilities at Fort Hood as well as donations and assistance.
- They are looking forward to building up there and see if Austin will start a 2nd unit.
- Fort Hood will be a storage facility for uniforms and rifles and liaison with Camp Mabry to set up a local Austin unit.
- Jim proposed \$1000 for the unit.
- Glenn said it should be subject to a budget so that we know how it is used.
- Lee said Captain Ferrell suggested an auditor for their funds.

□ *Sea Service Report*

Lee reported on a unit returning from the war zone in April with a family homecoming at the home training center. He will keep us advised.

VP Administration -- Tim Hunsberger (absent)

VP Education -- Randy Patterson (no report)

VP Legislative Affairs -- Jeanie Coffey

Jeanie called all the representatives listed below and is sending letters asking for meetings on May 21 or 22. The House will be in recess from 23 May to 2 June, making all appointments subject to change.

- Mac Thornberry, Congressional District 13
- Mike Conaway, Congressional District 11
- Ralph Hall, Congressional District 3
- Randy Naugebauer, Congressional District 19

Jeanie has a meeting with Senator Kaye Bailey Hutchison set for 9:30 am Thursday 22 May in SR-284 form Lone Star Task Force.

Chaplain Jim Lindley (absent)

Treasurer George Haley (no additional comments)

Balance brought forward	\$13,477.00
Savings account (interest posted quarterly)	\$3,084.00
CD (UFCU) \$5346 @ 5.1%	\$5,416.00
CD (Frost) \$5408 @ 2.95%	\$5,408.00
Balance	\$13,908.00

The Treasurer is considering changing to a mutual fund – balance fund because of low interest rates on CDs.

Max Miller suggested putting it into a balanced fund; he suggested a money market fund.

Secretary -- Jack Mayo (absent)

Judge Advocate -- Michael Murray (absent)

Report from our National Directors:

- **Jack Ritter** – reported on the National plan and the Lone Star Task Force
- **Glenn Looney** – reported that the Scroll of Honor went to the San Antonio Council for the commissioning of USS San Antonio and the retiring president of that council.

Council President’s closing comments – reiterated goals for membership for the council.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 1 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Approved:

Nancy Brotherton, Alternate Secretary

James Brotherton, President