September 2007 Meeting Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Arizona Submarine Veterans, Perch Base was convened at the Airline Training Center of Arizona (ATCA), Goodyear, AZ at 1302 hours, 15 September 2007. Bob Gilmore, Base Vice Commander, called the meeting to order.

The membership was led in a prayer of invocation by Bob Nance followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a standard ceremonial opening. A moment of silence was observed for shipmates on eternal patrol and the tolling ceremony for boats lost in July was conducted.

According to the sailing list, there were twelve members and guests present.

A new member, Charlie Runyan, was introduced and he provided some background on himself.

Minutes from the July 2007 regular meeting as published in the Midwatch were approved.

Treasurer Jim Denzien reported the Base's financial status as of the first day of September 2007. A motion was made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's report as read. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Reports of Officers and Committee Chairmen

Chief of the Boat – Jim Edwards was not present.

Chaplain – Howard Doyle was not present.

Membership Chairman/Webmaster - Ramon Samson had nothing to report.

Newsletter Editor – Chuck Emmett was not present.

Ship's Storekeeper – Jim Nelson reported that the base has received a new order of the challenge coins and that they are available for sale.

Past Base Commander - Tim Moore had nothing to report.

The Subvettes were not represented.

Old Business

Jim Denzien reported on the status of the new float. The model of the USS Phoenix has been located. It is on display at the Phoenix Museum of History. We have been trying to schedule a meeting with the museum's curator and have not yet been successful. We want to use the model in the upcoming Veterans Day parade and to take measurements needed for our float. Jim stated that he would provide a proposed schedule for the float construction at the next meeting.

The upcoming Western Region meeting (April 2008) was mentioned. The meeting will be in conjunction with the Southwest caucus of Submarine Veterans WWII in Albuquerque NM. Initial indications are that the gathering may be more expensive and that all should plan for that if they are attending.

New Business

It was suggested that we extend an invitation to the members of the Tautog Base to join us at our award banquet in December. We still do not have a firm date yet, but it may be the 22nd.

Good of the Order

Past Base Commander Tim Moore reported on the results of the Opportunity Raffle conducted by WD6 Commander Michael Bircumshaw. The sale of tickets provided \$750 to the Base treasury. Bravo Zulu, Tim.

50/50 Drawing

The 50/50 drawing was held and the winner was Davy Jones.

<u>Adjournment</u>

All the outstanding business having been concluded, it was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by voice vote.

Bob Nance offered the closing prayer and the meeting was adjourned at 1347.

Jim Denzien Base Secretary/Treasurer