

District Council Meeting of Vancouver Island South District held at the Mary Winspear Centre @ Sanscha in Sidney-b-the-Sea, September, 2003.

Meeting called to order by the District Commander at 1215.

I Moment of Silence

MOTION (*Fallan/Larsson*) to approve the minutes of April, 2003. **Carried.**

II DC's Remarks and Report - Don Lassey, see attached.

III Officer's Reports:

Executive Officer - No Report

MAREP - No Report.

PRO - Read by Henry Frew, see attached. Environmental - No Report.

Safe Boating - No Report.

Administration - Shirley Hamilton. Reported on the current state of the Roster Committee and the meeting that morning. Barry Gifford from Sooke Squadron has accepted the position as Editor and Harold Page of Victoria Squadron has agreed to do the database, with Shirley Hamilton's assistance.

Supply - Pat Moar, see attached.

ASO - No Report.

Membership - Harold Page, see attached.
introduced.

Webmaster - Tibby Solloway was
Telephone - Pat Moar, see attached.

i) Gathering - Shirley Hamilton gave a brief report on this event which is attached. Two items arose out of this report. The principal one was that at the District Bridge meeting on Thursday a motion was passed officially changing the name the 'District Rendezvous.'

ii) **MOTION** (*Hamilton/McNulty*) that the ferry costs up to \$65, sixty-five dollars for the VISD Commander is paid for this event. **Carried.**

iii) See motion on name change below.

Treasurer's Report - Ed McNulty, see attached.

iv) **MOTION** (*McNulty/Hamilton*) to approve the treasurer's report as circulated. **Carried.**

v) **MOTION** (*McNulty/Larsson*) to adopt the treasurer's budget for 2003-04 as presented. **Carried.**

There were some discussions on individual entries on the above item.

Secretary - No Report.
see attached.

Training - Barrie Gilbertson,
ADTO - No Report.

ADTO- Henry Frew, brought up an item for discussion as requested on VISD participation in the February 2004 Boat Show. Discussion ensued regarding the costs and what items were included in those costs.

vi) **MOTION** (*Frew/Moar*) to approve a \$200, two hundred dollar, deposit on a space for the February 2004 Boat Show. **Carried.**

Youth - Len Fallan thanked Pender Island Squadrons contestant in the national bookmark competition. See previous report.

BoatPro - Leslie Head. See previous report. Discussed cross border relations with USPS and a recent photo shoot with District 16. A notice of this was submitted to the PortHole.

MAREP - Peter Browning. Brought up again now that the officer is in attendance. There were no reports submitted in both categories of Weather and Hydrographic. However, two in the latter have been handed in and information on another. On October 9th there is a CHS (Canadian Hydrographic Service) tour at 7pm. See attached report. The D/C brought up a request by National the Peter attend the National Conference Seminar on MAREP/CHS. CHS has agreed to assist the existing MAREP officers to attend.

vii) **MOTION** (*Larsson/Moar*) that VISD provide D/Lt Peter Browning with the funds required to travel to and from Saint John and accommodation there. To be reimbursed to the level that CHS will provide. **Carried.**

VIND - No Report

USPS/PMD - No Report.

CCG - No Report.

Squadron Commanders Meeting Report - Leslie Head. A brief verbal report on what happened. A reminder that E/O Linda would like the Merit Mark hours in by November 30th. The new building at Tulista Park is owned by SanPen member Martin Pepper and there is a room available for use, it holds about 40.

Squadron Commanders Reports;

Brentwood Bay - No Report.

Juan de Fuca - See attached. Read by Secretary Henry Frew.

Oak Bay - Norm Price, see attached.

Pender Island - Nick Samson, see attached.

Saanich Peninsula - Leslie Head.

Saltspring Island - Gordon Ford, see attached.

Sooke - Margaret Traver, see attached.

Victoria - Darroll Westover, see attached.

A discussion ensued at this time on the discrepancies in membership numbers between squadron numbers and those provided by national. This had been noted in several of the above reports. The 'apparent' reasons for this were given.

viii) **MOTION** (*McNulty/Browning*) to adopt all the squadron commanders reports as read and submitted. **Carried.**

Old Business:

Business arising - questions arising from the D/C's report. Mainly about motion three and how it applies mainly to VHF and BoatPro courses. It applies to students was the answer. There had been discussion at the Training meeting in the morning regarding pricing and copyright issues. **** E/O Linda Larsson is going to look into this ****and report back to both the training meeting and the DCM in November. There was also discussion around intellectual property issues.

New Business:

Travel Expenses - information regarding this had been circulated with the agenda.

MOTION (*Hamilton/Fallan*) to approve in principal the payment of travelling expenses of officers on the VISD Bridge carrying out district or national business. There was much discussion on this proposed motion; including the consensus that we should perhaps set up a committee to examine this issue. The motion was withdrawn.

MOTION (*Hamilton/McNulty*) to establish a committee that should include the E/O, to review existing policy on this issue and make recommendations for the Nov 23rd DCM. **Carried.**

Duties, job descriptions committee - information on this had also been circulated ahead of time.

MOTION (*Frew/Solloway*) to establish a committee to review and make recommendations regarding current council positions, policies and job descriptions. With specific reference to work loads. **Carried.**

Discussion revolved around the composition of this committee and who should chair it. It was decided that the E/O should chair this committee and have them approach other people to serve on it. Also, that a squadron commander should also be involved closely in this. It was also decided to ask VIND to see if they had done any looking into the same issue.

Officer Training Committee - Again this issue had been circulated with the agenda. Discussion ensued around the table. This course would apply to any officer coming on to any bridge for the first time. Also, that squadron treasurers should have a seminar on how to do the books according to regulations. This committee was established at the district bridge meeting on Thursday

evening. It will be chaired by the E/O and include the A/O, a member of the training department and a new member. The initial report is requested for the November DCM.

National AGM- this issue surrounded the proxies for the D/C to take to the AGM in October from the Squadrons. Discussion ensued regarding procedures and process for this.

Phoning Committee - Our phoning committee chair has resigned due to terminal cancer and that an appropriate commendation be sent to her. D/C has already sent one.

Treasurer Training - this was a follow up on the earlier discussion. The DT will send an email to squadron commanders for putting to their treasurers. It is hoped that ONE meeting could be arranged.

AGM- the AGM conference reminder was read for the record.

MOTION (*Moar/McNulty*) to adjourn the meeting.

Carried.