MINUTES OF USS IWO JIMA ASSOCIATION'S FIRST MEETING

24 March 2000

HOLIDAY INN HISTORIC DISTRICT, MOBILE, ALABAMA

The meeting was called to order at 1700 by Chairman Bob McAnally. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and invocation given.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairman McAnally discussed the availability and cost of mailing the Association's roster. The decision was made require a \$5.00 fee for each copy to defray the cost of printing and mailing.

Chairman McAnally discussed the need for IWO JIMA cruise books, noting that books for 1961 and 1973-74 were already donated.

Acting Treasurer Sandy Sandoval gave his Treasurer's Report and provided Alan Wood with a copy.

Acting Historian Chuck Miller discussed memorabilia and asked for donations of items suitable to the Association. Chairman McAnally discussed sharing the memorabilia with the Texas Air Museum in Rio Hondo, Texas.

Acting Storekeeper Woody Wood discussed the acquisition and sale of items. Through donations, \$700.00 was used as seed money to make initial purchases, but the sale of items has become self-sufficient.

Chairman McAnally discussed forthcoming reunions. He pledged to keep every reunion affordable and suggested the next reunion be conducted concurrently with IWO JIMA's (LHD 7) Commissioning in Pensacola. He also suggested that the Association have full reunions during the odd years with mini reunions during the even years. After proposing the meeting adopt proposals for the next two reunions for consideration at a later date, a point of order was raised to the effect that the meeting could not properly adopt resolutions at the same time the Association Constitution was being considered for approval.

Chairman McAnally presented the Association's proposed Constitution. Following discussion, the Constitution was adopted by unanimous approval.

Chairman McAnally then proposed a dues structure. A motion was made to approve and was seconded. Following discussion, the motion was amended and adopted to set dues at \$20.00 per year.

Chairman McAnally then proposed election of the following officers:

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A motion was made for honorary members by Mr. Floyd Wilson and seconded by Mr. Chuck Miller. Motion carried 100%.

Mr. Dick Beckstead made a motion to accept Associate Members. Motion seconded by Mr. Lou LaCava. Motion carried 100%.

Motion made to accept the Association Officer by Mr. Walt Stanczyc. A motion to close the nominations was made by Mr. Dave Williams and seconded by Mr. Lou LaCava. There being no opposition, the slate was approved by acclamation.

Bob, these are my notes taken at the meeting. I hope this helps.

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