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Attachment A

91ST PRE-CONVENTION MEETING MINUTES
FRA NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OMNI SAN ANTONIO HOTEL AT THE COLONNADE
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

National President (NP) William E. Starkey called the meeting to order at 1303 on Tuesday, September 25, 2018, citing Section 803(i), C&BL, FRA as the authority for the meeting. Following the National Chaplain's prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, National Executive Director Thomas J. Snee called the roll and the following were present:

NP William E. Starkey, South Jersey Branch 057; NVP Robert Washington, Sr., Navy Department Branch 181; NED Thomas J. Snee, Navy Department Branch 181; JrPNP Donald E. Larson, Corpus Christi Branch 094; RPNE/NEng Albert Davenport, Atlantic City Branch 013; RPEC Paul A. Phelps, Chesapeake Branch 040; RPSE James J. Thomas, West Jacksonville Branch 126; RPNC Barry M. White, Mo-Kan Branch 161; RPSC Bruce R. Talbot, Jr., Space City Branch 159; RPSW Bruce H. Davis, II, Poway Valley Branch 070; RPWC Rick Athenour, Sierra Tahoe Branch 137 and RPNW Roger L. Christopher, Gem State Branch 382.

The National President declares a quorum present in compliance with Section 802(1), C&BL, FRA.

The NP then introduced National Parliamentarian Past National President F. Donald Muecheck, Low Country Branch 269; National Chaplain John W. Davis, Tennessee Valley Branch 044 and Finance Officer Bryan M. Proctor.

Also present for all or part of the proceedings were the following:

Shipmates: RVPEC S. D. Martin, Branch 166; PRPNW Margret A. Burke, Branch 038; PRPNEng Paul F. Loveless, Jr., Branch 156; RPSW-E John F. Quesnel, Jr., Branch 289; RVPNC Donald A. Watkins, Branch 276; PRPSC Jerry D. Pugh, Branch 371; PRPNC Marty J. Posekany, Branch 298; PRPSC Donald A. Gibson, Branch 290; PRPNE/NEng Donna M. Jansky, Branch 031; PNP John Johnson, Branch 104; JrPRPSE James E. Robbins, Jr., Branch 126; JrPRPNC/PRPNC Norman G. Combs, Branch 161; PRPWC Patrick LeClaire, Branch 192; PRPSW Mick Fulton, Branch 289; PNP Dick Smith, Branch 070; JrPRPEC Thomas Vatter, Branch 093; PNP Robert G. Beese, Branch 335; PNP Gary C. Blackburn, Branch 008; RPSE-E James P. Richmond, Branch 022; RPWC-E Rick Athenour, Branch 137; JrPRPSW Donald Kelley, Branch 289; PRPWC Charles R. McIntyre, Branch 101; PRPSE Bobby L. Smith, Branch 194; S/M Richard A. Ruiz, Branch 101; PNP Lawrence J. Boudreaux, Branch 275; PRPSE Frederick Bolz, Branch 269; PRPEC Paul Gunther, Branch 182; S/M Dennis Egge, Branch 046; PVPSC C. Ursula Gruetzner, Branch 201; PRPSW James Katzenberger, Branch 163; PRPNW Pete Lazzaretti, Branch 018; PRPNE/NEng Floyd G. Hunt, Branch 214; PNP George P. Hyland, Branch 020; RPNE/NEng-E Joyce M. Harris,

Branch 020; S/M Floyd Taladay, Branch 059; S/M Leonard E. Churilla, Branch 197; PRPEC Chris Slawinski, Branch 181; Ms. Vickie Corder and Ms. Bonnie Brady, HelmsBriscoe.

National Parliamentarian reads Section 802(m), C&BL, FRA and informed all present of the procedures for a National Board business meeting.

NP indicated that the meeting was not being electronically recorded and future meetings will include approval of previous meeting minutes.

NBR 26-18 by 12 affirmative votes: *Resolved*, That the minutes of the 91st Pre-Convention NBOD meeting be approved. Motioned and seconded. Ayes carried.

National President Starkey calls upon each of the National Board of Directors for Unfinished Business, at this time:

NVP Washington: Proceed.

NED Snee: Proceed.

JrPNP Larson: Proceed.

RPNE/NEng Davenport: Proceed.

RPEC Phelps: Possibility of a upcoming voluntary surrender of Branch 369/ECR within 60-90 days..

RPSE Thomas: Proceed.

RPNC White: Requesting the merger of Branch 280 (Tulsa, OK) with Branch 268 (Oklahoma City, OK).

NBR 27-18 by 12 affirmative votes: *Resolved*, That the merger of Branch 280 (Tulsa, OK) with Branch 268 (Oklahoma City, OK) be approved. Motioned and seconded. Ayes carried.

RPSC Talbot: Proceed.

RPSW Davis: Proceed.

RPWC Athenour and RPNW Christopher: RPWC received an e-mail from PNP Boudreaux/Br. 275. NP ruled merger out of order. NParl Mucheck was under the impression that Branch majority wanted the merger. Not passing with the West Coast

Region. WCR: 9 negatives, 2 support. Both regions need to get together regarding the possible merger of Northwest and West Coast regions between now and the next national convention. Big support for realignment of the West Coast.

FO Proctor: Proceed.

National President calls on the Chairmen of Standing and Special National Committees present for any pertinent reports:

National President Starkey now calls upon any New Business to come before the Board from the Directors:

NVP Washington: Proceed.

NED Snee: Proceed.

JrPNP Larson: Proceed.

RPNE/NEng Davenport: Have received the Annual Report of Branch Officers from Branch 232.

RPEC Phelps: Proceed.

RPSE Thomas: Requesting from the Board, the Merger of USS Enterprise Branch 278 (Huntsville, AL) with Birmingham Branch 112 (Birmingham, AL). Membership of Branch 278 has been notified and voted to merge with Branch 112. Membership of Branch 112 voted to accept the membership of Branch 278.

NBR 28-18 by 12 affirmative votes: *Resolved*, That Branch 194 (Knoxville, TN) be approved to operate under Article 12, Section 1216, C&BL, FRA. Motioned and seconded. Ayes carried.

Requesting possible suspension of First Coast Branch 091. Statement will be read.

An Executive Discussion was ordered by the National President regarding Branch 091.

(Pre-Board meeting attendees were excused from the room for Branch 091 discussion.)

RPNC White: Received letter(s) of June 12th and September 19th from the branch. Explained the status/possible merger of Lincoln Branch 145 (Lincoln, NE) with Omaha Branch 276 (Omaha, NE). Trying to merge but failed to do so (with getting the paperwork). The branch is very hard to get in contact with. No longer seems to be in

possible working order. Have not been able to raise a quorum with the branch in order to get a discussion or vote going. The branch has held 5 meetings. Will continue to work with Branch 145. RPNC White also requests a voluntary surrender of Akom Branch 315 (Joplin, NE) due to refusal to submit an 2018 Annual Report of Branch Officers.

NBR 29-18 by 12 affirmative votes: *Resolved*, That the voluntary surrender of Akom Branch 315 (Joplin, MO) be approved. Motioned and seconded. Ayes carried.

RPSC Talbot: Proceed.

RPSW Davis: Proceed.

RPWC Athenour: Discussion of status/possible surrender of Br. 281 (Redding, CA). Visit, phone calls and e-mails with Br. 281 by RPWC. Will continue to talk matters over with the branch leadership.

RPNW Christopher: RPNW was told that Branch 064 (Miagao, PI) leadership will send their Annual Report of Branch Officers to him. Delay due to hurricane in the Philippine region.

Br. 154 (Baguio City, PI) sent in an e-mail vice an official Annual Report of Branch Officers Report. Email contains very little information regarding the branch officers, other than names. Br. 154 is hard to get a hold of. There were other issues regarding Br. 154, as well as, dealing with a hurricane recently. RPNW will continue to work with Br. 154 to resolve the matters.

FO Proctor: Proceed.

National President called for any petitions for chartering of new branches, any further mergers of branches, suspensions, surrenders or revocations of the charters of branches:

1. None

NP calls upon National Parliamentarian Muccheck for any amendments to Regional Bylaws.

1. Received changes to the North Central Bylaws. No conflicts found.

NBR 30-18 by 12 affirmative votes: *Resolved*, That the amendment to the North Central Region Bylaws be approved. Motioned and seconded. Ayes carry.

2. Received changes to the Southeast Region Bylaws regarding Section 9. No conflicts found.

NBR 31-18 by 12 affirmative votes: *Resolved*, That the amendements to the Southeast Region Bylaws be approved. Motioned and seconded. Ayes carry.

National President calls on National Executive Director Snee for an update of the Branch Voting Strength. The total is: 1,294.

National President Starkey made mention of instructions regarding the convention committees' meetings.

National President Starkey then calls upon each Director in turn for the Good of the Order.

1. NVP Washington – Proceed.
2. NED Snee – Proceed.
3. JrPNP Larson – Proceed.
4. RPNE/NEng Davenport – Proceed.
5. RPEC Phelps – Proceed.
6. RPSE Thomas – Will be turning in the Branch 202's charter to NHQs.
7. RPNC White – Thanks to the National Headquarters staff.
8. RPSC Talbot – Proceed.
9. RPSW Davis – Proceed.
10. RPWC Athenour – Needs to revisit the Northwest/West Coast regional merger.
11. RPNW Christopher – Need to address the structure of the FRA and LAFRA and the best interests of both.
12. NParl PNP F. Donald Mucheck – Thank you to the FRA NHQs. It was a pleasure to fulfill the duties of National Parliamentarian.
13. NChap John W. Davis – Thank you, National President Starkey.
14. FO Proctor – Proceed.

Announcements made by PNP Larry Boudreaux, Chairman, 91st National Convention Committee regarding the 91st National Convention.

1. Tuxedo's with Al's Former Wear regarding measurements.

Ms. Vickie Corder and Ms. Bonnie Brady from HelmsBriscoe gave their parting presentation and their thanks to the Fleet Reserve Association for our business

National President invites comments from any other Shipmates in the meeting room who have not already been called on, from the Pre-Board Convention NBOD meeting.

National President Starkey proceeds with the adjournment.

National Chaplain Davis offered the closing prayer. He then closes the Bible.

The Salute of the Colors was given.

The 91st Pre-Board National Convention National Board of Directors Meeting adjourned at 1400.

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Director, Administration