

**USS Virginia Base
Meeting Minutes for the Month of January 2017
On 1/14/2017**

- Meeting was held at Anna's Restaurant & Pizzeria
 - Spaghetti, pizza and salad were on the buffet menu
- 21 members and 3 guest were present
- John Williams won the 50/50 raffle and received \$45.00 and the Base received \$45.00.
- The ladies were excused
- Base Commander Kenn McDermott called the meeting to order with the traditional sounding two blast from the Diving Alarm and a good hearty "DIVE, DIVE" from all those in attendance. And a word of prayer.
- Opening ceremony was lead by Vice Commander Pete Fortier and Base Storekeeper Bob Kutzenberger
 - Pledge of Allegiance
 - Reading of the USSVI Creed
 - Tolling of the Boats for January
 - 5 Boats lost with the loss of 314 Souls
 - USS Scorpion (SS-278) 1/5/1944 All hands 77 crewmen
 - USS Argonaut (SS-166) 1/10/1943 All hands 102 crewmen
 - USS Swordfish (SS-193) 1/12/1945 All hands 89 crewmen
 - USS S-36 (SS-141) 1/20/1942 No loss of life
 - USS S-26 (SS-131) 1/24/1942 All hands 46 crewmen
 - Birthdays for the Month of January
 - Mickey Loses
- District Commander Dave Campbell discussed the following
 - Status of USSVI
 - Status of US Navy
 - Recruiting new members
- Treasurer's Report was read and approved
- Secretary's Report was read and approved
- Jim Lencalis gave a short presentation on the Therapeutic Adventures a program for disabled veterans
 - A motion was made to donate \$50, second and approved
- Doug Blaha presented a video honoring veterans from World War I thru Vietnam
- The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1430

Respectfully

Bill Anderson
Base Secretary