

USS Virginia Base
Meeting Minutes for the Month of August 2018
On 8/10/2018

- The meeting was held at Anna's Restaurant & Pizzeria
- Ziti with meat sauce & sausage, pizza and salad were on the buffet menu
- 16 members and 6 guests were present
- Bill Lewis won the 50/50 raffle and received \$41.00, the Base received \$41.00.
- The ladies were excused.
- Base Commander Kenn McDermott called the meeting to order with the traditional sounding of two blasts from the Diving Alarm and a good hearty "DIVE, DIVE" from all of those in attendance.
 - Kenn offered the invocation.
 - The opening ceremony was led by Vice Commander Pete Fortier and Base Storekeeper Bob Katzenberger.
 - Pledge of Allegiance
 - Reading of the USSVI Creed
 - Tolling of the Lost Boats for August
 - 5 Boats lost with the loss of 248 Souls
 - USS Bullhead (SS-332) 08/06/1945 All hands 84 crewmen
 - USS Flier (SS-250) 08/13/1944 78 crewmen
 - USS S-39 (SS-144) 08/13/1942 No loss of life
 - USS Harder (SS-257) 08/24/1944 All hands 79 crewmen
 - USS Cochino (SS-345) 08/26/1949 1 Civilian Technician & 6 USS Tusk crewmen
- August Birthdays - Mickey Loses
- The video God Bless the USA was shown
- Marlin Boil gave an update of the Hampton Roads Base
- Kenn McDermott gave a review of the book "Poop Suits and Cowboys"
 - A motion was made to purchase 4 copies of the book, the motion was seconded, the motion was voted on and passed.
- Bill Anderson reminded the members that Field Day of the Past needs watch standers.
- Treasures and Secretary's were read.
- Al Ptasznik announced that the annual picnic will be held in October.
- Kenn McDermott read the Submariner Benediction after which a motion was made to adjourn, motion seconded and approved. A traditional sounding of three blasts from the Diving Alarm and a joyful "SURFACE, SURFACE, SURFACE" from all in attendance.
- The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1430

Respectfully
Bill Anderson
Base Secretary