

**USS Virginia Base**  
**Meeting Minutes for the Month of March 2022**  
**On 03/11/2022**

- The meeting was held at Anna's Restaurant & Pizzeria
- Due to our low in-person attendance, Anna's has us ordering off the menu.
- 7 members and 1 guest were present. Six members were on Zoom..
- The Ladies were excused.
- Base Commander John Williams 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.
  - Base Commander John Williams offered the invocation.
  - The opening ceremony was led by Base Commander John Williams, Base Secretary Bill Anderson and Base Storekeeper Bob Kutzenberger.
    - Pledge of Allegiance
    - Reading of the USSVI Creed
    - Tolling of the Lost Boats for March
      - 8 Boats lost with the loss of 425 Souls
        - USS Perch (SS-176) 03/03/1942 No immediate loss of life
        - USS Grampus (SS-207) 03/05/1943 All hands 71 crewmen
        - USS H-1 (SS-28) 03/12/1920 4 Crewmen
        - USS Triton (SS-201) 03/15/1943 All hands 74 crewmen
        - USS Kete (SS-369) 03/20/1945 All hands 87 crewmen
        - USS F-4 (SS-23) 03/25/1915 All hands 21 crewmen
        - USS Tullibee (SS-284) 03/26/1944 All hands 79 crewmen
        - USS Trigger (SS-237) 03/26/1945 All hands 89 crewmen
      - Birthdays - Mickey Loses
- Treasurer's report was read. The Secretary's report was not read.
- Binnacle List
  - Tom Caffee
  - John Lamsens
  - Doug Blaha
- Base Commander John Williams gave an update on the Base Web Site.
- The following will be initiated into the Holland Club next month
  - Joe Rodrigues
  - Vincent Eikmeier
  - John Williams
- Jim Lencalis started a discussion about having a satellite meetings for members that live a distance from Richmond, this lead to a discussion on recruitment
- Base Secretary Bill Anderson ask for \$250.00 for our booth at the Field Day of the Past. A motion was and seconded. The motion pasted. Anderson also gave a review of the Virginia Veterans Cemetery.
- Base Commander John Williams 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 1400

Respectfully  
Bill Anderson  
Base Secretary