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**Subject:** Minutes of General Monthly Meeting held on 22 September 2011.

**Attached:** - Attendee Sign-In Sheet (original only)  
- Membership Roster, dated 9/19/11

Members of the American Maritime Modernization Association met at Q.E.D. Systems, N. Witchduck Road, Virginia Beach, VA at 1:00 PM on Thursday 22 September 2011.

**Members in attendance:** Joe Yurso, QED Systems; Sondra Mayfield, Advex; Robert Caldwell, Romulus; Nick Clark, GGS; Bob Blenner, Delphinus; Kyle Whipple, Epsilon; Diane Ostby, CDI; Fred Lowack, L3 Unidyne; Carl Spraberry, AIT; Scotty Britton, LPI; Jennifer Whitham, Vanwin Coatings; Mike Ryan, QED; Randy Bubb, AMEE Bay; Call in: Jim Taylor, Epsilon

**Guests in attendance:** None

**Opening remarks:** At 1:00 PM, the meeting was called to order by Joe Yurso, Q.E.D. Systems. Joe welcomed all in attendance. Introductions were made around the room. Joe requested everyone review the Roster for any changes/corrections. Joe encouraged all members to invite other companies to join AMMA. Joe stated he had sent out an email concerning JINNI Aluminous Paint as well as a draft letter from the Commander. Robert Caldwell elaborated that due to recent events concerning QA documentation that this is bringing about documentation back up for everything. Now there is someone assigned to each vessel to make sure that everything is fully documented.

**Old Business:**

1. **Review and approval of the minutes:** The minutes were reviewed and the motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes. The motion was approved.
- A. **Treasurer Report:** The Treasurer, Nick Clark, was available to report a balance of \$87,363.87. At this time all bills are paid and up to date. Nick will arrange for an audit to be done.
- B. **Membership Status Report:** Membership Chair, John McGrath is no longer at the company he was with and can no longer serve as the Chairman of this committee. Joe urged other members to step up and take on the role of committee chairman.
- C. **Association Website Report (<http://www.ammainc.org>):** Website Chair, John Ensey was unavailable to report. Joe also urged everyone to look at the website, use the website and provide any feedback.

**D. Quality Assurance Committee:** QA Chairman, David Finke was unavailable to report. Joe stated that the QA committee did not meet last month. Joe would like to get 2 to 3 people together to help David revitalize this committee. Joe asked Carl Spraberry to help. Carl accepted and said he would be glad to help.

**E. Safety/Training Committee:** Safety Chairman, Michael Cosca was unavailable to report.

**F. AMMA Booths for 2010:** Bob Blenner, Delphinus thanked all members who helped man the booth. Joe asked Bob to pick AMMA location for next symposium now. ASNE Day is in February and Joe thinks we should decide on this soon.

2011 Events

Item	Date	Sponsor	Event	Location	Theme	Exhibit Pri	Notes
A	Jan 11-13 2011	Surface Navy Association	23 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Symposium	Hyatt Regency, Crystal City, VA	Surface Warfare: Relevant Capabilities For a Challenging Future		Exhibited In 2009
B	Feb 10-11 2011	ASNE	ASNE Day 2011	Hyatt Regency, Crystal City, VA	Thinking Outside the Hill		Did not exhibit
C	May 10-12 2011	AFCEA & Naval Institute	Joint Warfighting Conference and Exposition	Virginia Beach Convention Ctr Virginia Bach, VA	How Do We Leverage Successes of Joint & Coalition Warfare?	TBD	Did not exhibit
D	May 25-26 2011	ASNE & NSWCCD-SSES	Intelligent Ship Symposium	Drexel University Philadelphia, PA		Reg Space @ \$1400.00 Plus Incidentals	Exhibited in 2009 <b>Registered</b>
E	June 6-9 2011	ASNE	Mega Rust 2011: U.S. Navy Corrosion Conference	Old Dominion University		TBD	Did not exhibit
F	June 14-16 2011	ASNE & NSWCCD – SSES	Multi Agency Craft Conference (MACC 2011)	Joint Expeditionary Base, Little Creek Fort Story		TBD	Did not exhibit
G	Aug 30-31 2011	ASNE	Fleet Maint & Modernization Symposium (FMMS)	Town & Country Hotel, San Diego, CA		Reg Space @ \$2150.00/ Shipping – \$800.00	JINNI Meeting Also <b>Registered</b>

**G. TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION – OLD BUSINESS**

Joe first opened the floor for any discussion –

- 1. Local Travel Clause** - Joe stated a decision was supposed to be made within 45 days and this was about 30 days ago – hopeful this will be soon.

2. **Participation in Committees** – Mr. Yurso encouraged everyone to continue to participate in the various committees.
3. **Annual Luncheon/local VIP meeting** - Joe is working to possibly do a joint luncheon with TASK sometime after the new year. Possibly charge 5.00 per person as the cost comes out of the treasury and this would allow for the possibility of another joint luncheon with another organization. Joe is also working with ASNE to see if they want to do another joint meeting. No additional information on speaker for luncheon at this time.
4. **Navy Management changes for information** – Joe stated there are no further changes.
5. **Implementation of Navy Standard Welding Procedures**– Joe stated there is no additional information.
6. **FAR Changes to Executive Order** – This is now a law and Joe does not anticipate any changes at this time.
7. **RAPID Gate** – This will be in effect November 1, 2011. Joe stated the key is getting started.
8. **Organizational Conflict of Interest** – Joe mentioned that rules are going to be tightened even more.
9. **Joint Dinner Meeting** – Joe will pursue this in September as ASNE is currently not meeting over the summer.

#### H. TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION – NEW BUSINESS

1. **AMMA Dues** – Joe encouraged anyone with unpaid dues to contact the appropriate personnel at their company to have this taken care of. There are still 3 companies who have not paid their dues.
2. **MSMO** - Robert Caldwell stated that MSMO Contractors are being asked to price things differently than they used to. Currently in the process of revamping the way pricing is done.
3. **Next Regular Meeting:** The next general meeting will be 27 October 2011 at the Q.E.D. Systems, Inc Headquarters, 4646 North Witchduck Road, Virginia Beach, VA at 1 P.M.

I. **Adjourn:** 2:00 p.m.  
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