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Subject: Minutes of General Monthly Meeting held on 26 April 2012.

Attached: - Attendee Sign-In Sheet (original only)
- Membership Roster, dated 4/18/12

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 26 April 2012.

Members in attendance: Joe Yurso, QED Systems; Sondra Mayfield, Advex; Bob Blenner, Delphinus; Fred Lowack, L-3 Unidyne; Don Zimbardo, VT Group; Wally Finn, Epsilon; Nick Clark, GG Sharp; Ron Verostek, Phoenix Group; Ken Phelps, Amsec; Robert Caldwell, Romulus; Scotty Britton, LPI; Jennifer Whitham, Vanwin Coatings; Carl Spraberry, AIT; Abby Norton, Jo-Kell

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 and introductions were made around the room. Joe requested everyone to review the Roster and make any corrections.

Old Business:

1. **Review and approval of the minutes:** The minutes from the March meeting were reviewed and accepted.
- A. **Treasurer Report:** The Treasurer, Nick Clark, reported a balance in the treasury of 93,655.75. At this time the deposit has been paid for the luncheon and all other bills are paid and up to date. Dues are being received and recorded.
- B. **Membership Status Report:** No Membership Chairman at this time. Joe reported that he had recruited two (2) new members; Kathleen Murray, Hose Masters and Al Diaz, CMT bringing the total of member to 48 companies. Joe has invited one more potential member to the luncheon and Robert Caldwell has invited 2 potential members to the luncheon. Joe stated we are still looking for someone to chair or start this committee.
- C. **Association Website Report (<http://www.ammainc.org>):** Website Chair, John Ensey was unavailable to report. Joe urged everyone to check out the website and urged committee chairman to provide information on their meetings and minutes. Joe urged everyone to use the website and provide any feedback as this is our responsibility.
- D. **Quality Assurance Committee:** Don Zimbardo, Committee Chairman reported that their meeting was held on April 5, 2012 with 10 companies in attendance. Discussions included a briefing on VSRA and AMMA. Weld audits are scheduled

through May and the schedule can be located on the website. Talked about welder's qualifications letter now in the hands of the Navy. Don stated they are still working on getting a speaker for Root Cause Analysis. The next meeting will be held on May 10, 2012.

E. Safety/Training Committee: Cliff Motley, Delphinus was unavailable. Bob Blenner filled in on the meeting held this month: A template was handed out with 12 member companies reporting on 100 topics, Chris Keys, Cyntas was the guest speaker. There is an online First Aid Division for training. The next meeting will be held on May 16, 2012.

F. AMMA Booths for 2010: Bob Blenner, reported placards have been provided to member companies exhibiting outside of AMMA. Bob requested authorization to update the list of member companies for the Booth prior to the next exhibit. Joe mentioned another exhibits that he will email information to Bob that AMMA may want to attend.

2012 Events

Item	Date	Sponsor	Event	Location	Theme	Exhibit Price	Notes
A	Jan 10-12 2012	Surface Navy Association	24 th National Symposium	Hyatt Regency, Crystal City, VA	A Credible source in Uncertain times	TBD	
B	Feb 9-10 2012	ASNE	ASNE Day 2012	Hyatt Regency, Crystal City, VA	Naval Warfare – Critical Engineering Challenges	Complimentary	Complete
C	May 8-10 2012	ASNE	Multi Agency Craft Conference (MACC 2012)	JEB Ft Story – Little Creek	Schedule in doubt	TBD	Postponed
D	May 15-17 2012	AFCEA & Naval Institute	Joint Warfighting Conference 2012	Virginia Beach Convention Ctr Virginia Beach, VA	How do we leverage Successes of Joint & Coalition Warfare?	TBD	
E	June 12-14 2012	ASNE	Mega Rust 2012: US Navy Corrosion Conference	Town and Country Resort & Convention Center, San Diego, CA		Registration \$1,650 – 1950 ~ 500 for peripherals	
F	Sept 18-19 2012	ASNE	Fleet Maintenance Symposium	Virginia Beach Convention Ctr Virginia Beach, VA	Achieving confidence In Fleet Readiness Through Innovation, Best Practices and Adherence to Engineered Standards	Reg Space @ \$2150.00 ~ 250.00 peripherals	Registered

G. TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION – OLD BUSINESS

Joe first opened the floor for any discussion –

1. **Local Travel Clause** - Joe stated he had nothing more to report at this time.
2. **Participation in Committees** – Joe mentioned we are still in need of a membership chairman and encouraged everyone to get involved in the various committees.
3. **Annual Luncheon/local VIP meeting** – Joe stated Scott Rigell will be the Guest Speaker at the Luncheon to be held at Founders Inn on May 3, 2012. It is requested that everyone be seated at their tables by 11:30. There will be one head table for the Congressman, his staff and Board members.
4. **Navy Management changes for information** – Joe stated no additional changes that he is aware of at this time.
5. **Implementation of Navy Standard Welding Procedures**– Joe stated the Navy is working on several Standardized PCP's.
6. **IDIQ** – Carl Spraberry reported on behalf of Jack Kasiski. There have been two meetings held to discuss increasing membership with IDIQ holders and to discuss the issues IDIQ holders have that AMMA could address. Some of the issues discussed were: Execute reimbursable contracts and subsidizing facilitized yards. The request is to have a IDIQ holders be recognized as a stand up committee. Carl proposed motion: Proposed a motion to form a standard committee, electing their own chairman, having regular meetings with direction and approval from the Board. Discussion: Don stated he was somewhat confused about this because AMMA already has members that are IDIQ holders, some members that are AIT/IDIQ and some that are neither. Sondra asked if the QA and Safety committee's could be addressed to include issues that would be more relevant to IDIQ holders in order to help with issues that would be more relevant to their needs. Carl recommends having a Government person on the committee. Ron commented that it felt as this would appear as duplicate membership segregating the members of AIT and IDIQ. Joe stated he encouraged the committee but was unsure how to approach as this is not a committee that would be a voice to start dialog with the Navy. AMMA is not anti MSMO and the initial agenda was to be pro-AIT. There is no reason we can't represent both as we already do with members who hold IDIQ contracts. No where do you see AIT in AMMA's name or charter. The motion was made to table Carl's original motion and go back and request a more specific description of the charter they are trying to establish. A vote resulted in a unanimous decision to table an IDIQ Committee until more specifics can be shared.
7. **RAPID Gate** – No discussion.
8. **Training** – No discussion.
9. **Organizational Conflict of Interest** – No discussion.

H. TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION – NEW BUSINESS

1. **Nominations** – Joe stated the ballots would be handed out at the luncheon. There are 12 members running for 11 Board positions.
2. **Dues** – Joe urged everyone to make sure their dues are paid.
3. **Next Regular Meeting:** The next general meeting will be 24 May 2012 at the Q.E.D. Systems, Inc Headquarters, 4646 North Witchduck Road, Virginia Beach, VA at 1 P.M.
 - I. **Adjourn:** 2:20 p.m.
Copy to all members