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**Subject:** Minutes of General Monthly Meeting held on 25 July 2013.

**Attached:** - Attendee Sign-In Sheet (original only)  
- Membership Roster, dated 7/18/13

Members of the American Maritime Modernization Association met at QED, 4646 N Witchduck Road, Virginia Beach, VA at 1:00 PM on Thursday 25 July 2013.

**Members in attendance:** Ron Verostek, Phoenix Group; Nick Clark, George Sharp; Wally Finn, Epsilon; Joe Yurso, QED; Diane Ostby, CDI Marine; Lynn Hampton, AMSEC; Jim Simons, LCE; Jennifer Whitham, VanWin Coatings; Jack Kasiski, URS; Bill Wren, East Coast Repair & Fab; Phone: Carl Spraberry, AIT;

**Guests/Visitors in attendance:** Andrew Guthrie, Virginia Tech student

**Opening remarks:** At 1:02 PM, the meeting was called to order by Ron Verostek, Phoenix Group. Ron welcomed all in attendance and introductions were made around the room.

**Old Business:**

**1. Review and approval of the minutes:** Ron asked for acceptance of the minutes and any discussion. The minutes were then accepted with modifications.

**A. Treasurer Report:** The Treasurer, Nick Clark, reported a balance in the treasury of \$88,129.96. Nick stated all bills are paid and up to date. Nick stated there were 2 companies with outstanding dues. Some investments have paperwork issues. They will be discussed at the Board meeting.

**B. Membership Status Report:** Ron reported the membership is currently at 49 companies. T Solutions joined AMMA this month. Ron reminded everyone to be marketeers.

**C. Association Website Report (<http://www.ammainc.org>):** Ron asked all persons present if they had accessed the new website. Ron stated he would like to set up another training session for website use. Members without logos on the website are welcome to send a logo to John Ensey. Please send any comments on the website to John also. Joe went onto the website and went through an overview of the new website.

**D. Quality Assurance Committee:** No meeting in July.

**E. Safety/Training Committee:** Safety Chairman, Wally Finn reported they had 10 members in attendance at the last meeting. Wally accomplished a presentation on Global Harborization System, GHS. They chose topics for

upcoming meetings. Anyone is welcome to discuss a possible presentation with Wally.

- F. AMMA Booths for 2012:** Bob Blenner was unavailable to report. Ron reported AMMA exhibited at Event D – Hiper Craft but did not exhibit in Event E. AMMA is already signed up for Event F. There are 10 member companies who will also be exhibiting at this event. Ron stated Bob would be sending out a Watch Bill. The JINII meeting will be in San Diego on August 29, which is the day after the FMMS Event. Some members attended the Mega Rust Event in June and thought it successful. Some members also attended the HiPer Craft Event in June and were disappointed in the event. The HiPer Craft Event replaces the MACC Event from previous years.

2013 Events

| Item | Date            | Sponsor                  | Event  | Location   | Exhibit Price                                | Notes                        |
|------|-----------------|--------------------------|--|--|--|------------------------------|
| A    | Jan 15-17 2013  | Surface Navy Association | 25 <sup>th</sup> National Symposium            | Hyatt Regency, Crystal City, VA                              |  | Did not Participate In 2012  |
| B    | Feb 21-22 2013  | ASNE                     | ASNE Day 2013                                  | Hyatt Regency, Crystal City, VA                              | Complimentary booth in 2012                  | Exhibited in 2012            |
| C    | May 22-23 2013  | ASNE and NSWCCD-SSES     | Intelligent Ship Symposium (ISS) X             | University of Pennsylvania Annenberg Center, Philadelphia PA |  | Exhibited in 2011            |
| D    | June 19-20 2013 | ASNE                     | High Performance Craft Expo (HiPer Craft) 2013 | Half Moon Cruise and Celebration Center, Norfolk, VA         | ASNE provided Complimentary Booth in 2012    | Exhibited in 2012            |
| E    | June 25-27 2013 | ASNE                     | Mega Rust 2013: US Navy Corrosion Conference   | Newport News Marriott, Newport News, VA                      |  | Have never participated      |
| F    | Aug 27-28 2013  | ASNE                     | Fleet Maintenance Symposium                    | Town and Country Reso & Convention Center, San Diego, CA     | Registration \$2,400 – ~ 250 for peripherals | Exhibited in 2011 Registered |

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

1. **EPCP/PCP** – Dave Finke is the AMMA rep on the CNRMC/Industry working group.
2. **Multiple Award** – MAC-MO – RFQs were let in San Diego for a couple of ships.
3. **VSRA Meeting** – Joe reported that Randy Forbes presented an interesting perception on House interactions at the July meeting.

## H. TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION – NEW BUSINESS

1. The NAVY is diversifying their assets, according to CNO Admiral Greenert. NAVY recruitment reports that reenlistments are meeting the quotas.
2. **Sequestration/Furloughs** – How is this affecting you? Two letters from the government have been seen. One letter says the government restricts working hours of contractors to Monday thru Friday, 8 hours only. Another letter says the contractor cannot move forward on G points or other things that require government oversight. Please write letters to your representative to explain impacts of furlough, such as higher costs.

**Next Regular Meeting:** The next general meeting will be 22 August 2013 at Q.E.D. Systems, Inc Headquarters, 4646 North Witchduck Road, Virginia Beach, VA at 1 P.M.

**Adjourn:** 2:10 p.m.  
Copy to all members