

NAVY SEABEE VETERANS OF AMERICA, INC.

77TH ANNUAL NATIONAL CONVENTION MINUTES

August 15-19, 2003
San Antonio, TX

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RESOLUTIONS,

Voting Delegates

ISLAND / DEPARTMENT	DELEGATE VOTES	
LONGMONT, CO.	4	Gerald KISSINGER with proxy
DoFL	57	Dwight HAMBORSKY with proxy
ATLANTA, GA.	2	James ANDERSEN with Proxy
X-26 VILLA GROVE	2	Steve DEVEREAUX with proxy
TWIN CITIES, MN.	6	Joseph DEZELAR WITH proxy
GULFPORT, MS.	16	Jerry SCHMUCK with proxy
DoNY	41	Jack TANGEN with proxy
DoOHIO	23	Jack TANGEN with proxy
X-1 DAVISVILLE, RI.	12	Charlie COFFIN with proxy
DoTN.	10	Chett WINCHELL with proxy
X-1 SAN ANTONIO	5	Jesse ESCAMILLA with proxy
Totals	178	

David J. **BUCHANAN** was asked to fill the vacancy in the Resolution Committee.
It was pointed out that only eligible Delegates are authorized to question the Resolutions and vote on the same.
Gerald **KISSINGER** expressed his desire to have the **Resolutions read aloud**.
The Resolutions were read as written. ALL Resolutions are attached to these MINUTES.

Resolution 2023-1

Parliamentarian, Elected vs. Appointed

RESOLUTION 2023-1, PARLIAMENTARIAN

ISLAND / DEPARTMENT	DELEGAT E VOTES	NO CHANGE	CHANGE
LONGMONT, CO.	4	0	4
CARRIE DoFL	57	57	0
ATLANTA, GA.	2	2	0
X-26 VILLA GROVE	2	2	0
TWIN CITIES, MN.	6	3	3
GULFPORT, MS.	16	16	0

DoNY	41	41	0
DoOHIO	23	23	0
X-1 DAVISVILLE,RI.	12	12	0
DoTN.	10	10	0
X-1 SAN ANTONIO	5	5	0
TOTALS	178	171	7

Parliamentarian to **remain** an appointed position

There was a **MOTION (2023-05-CON)** by Ernie NELSON and seconded by Joe DEZELAR that the membership **accept the recommendation of the Resolution Committee** and the National Executive Committee to **disapprove** this Resolution.

Discussion was held prior to the vote.

The first round voting found some dissenting votes, so a Roll Call vote was necessary

The position of PARLIAMENTARIAN will remain an APPOINTED position.

This Resolution 2023-2 was incorrectly given a “a” designation when it should have been a “c” designation indicating it had been changed.

Resolution 2023-2c, Voting at the National Convention and Reunion

RESOLUTION 2023-2c, VOTING

	DELEGATE VOTES	NO CHANGE	CHANGE
ISLAND / DEPARTMENT			
LONGMONT, CO.	4	4	0
DoFL	57	57	0
ATLANTA, GA.	2	2	0
X-26 VILLA GROVE	2	2	0
TWIN CITIES, MN.	6	6	0
GULFPORT, MS.	16	16	0
DoNY	41	41	0
DoOHIO	23	23	0
X-1 DAVISVILLE, RI.	12	12	0
DoTN.	10	0	9
X-1 SAN ANTONIO	5	1	5
TOTALS	178	164	14

Voting at the convention will **remain as stated in the By-laws.**

Jesse ESCAMILLA spoke about the difference in delegate votes based on Island membership.

There was a **MOTION (2023-06-CON)** by Ernie NELSON and seconded by Joe DEZELAR that the membership **accept the recommendation of the Resolution Committee** and the National Executive Committee to **disapprove** this Resolution.

Freddie SAUSEDADA spoke about people being elected from the floor. They are an unknown to the membership.

Jerry **SCHMUCK** called a point of order regarding the speakers from the floor need to be recognized before speaking.

Benny **HERNANDES** spoke about the procedures at the American Legion which is different way.

Jerry **SCHMUCK** pointed out this Resolution prohibits hand carrying applications or resumes.

Freddie **SAUSEDA** asked if the process could be amended, **NO** not at this meeting, next year.

John J. HILLYER, III asked if the resumes that are submitted ahead of time could be posted to the Website or published in the **CAN DO?** Either there or on the Website to be cost effective.

Jerry **SCHMUCK** “**CALLED the QUESTION**” ending the discussion and proceed with the vote.

Dwight **HAMBORSKY** pointed out to Charlie **COFFIN** that Chett **WINCHELL**’s question about having a roll call vote. Chett **WINCHELL** corrected him saying Charlie **COFFIN** had acknowledged his request to hold a Roll Call Vote.

Ernie **NELSON** asked for a short **recess** to allow the Department of Florida to caucus. Commander Jack **TANGEN** called for a **recess** at 12:33pm.

Commander Jack **TANGEN** **reconvened the** meeting at 12:48pm.

Treasurer Jerry **SCHMUCK** announced that with the donations collected at this Convention and Reunion meeting of **\$230.00** dollars added to the Donation from the Pre-Con meeting of \$520.00 dollars the total collected for the Auxiliary luncheon and money towards the reimbursement for the pins is **\$750.00**. Jerry **SCHMUCK** thanked everyone for their generosity.

Commander Jack **TANGEN** reminded everyone that the sidebar discussions are getting out of hand, and we need to get back to conducting the business of the meeting.

Resolution 2023-3, Waiting period for Commander to be re-elected.

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	DELEGATE VOTES	NO CHANGE	CHANGE
ISLAND / DEPARTMENT LONGMONT, CO.	4	4	0
DoFL	57	42	15
ATLANTA, GA.	2	2	0
X-26 VILLA GROVE	2	2	0
TWIN CITIES, MN.	6	6	0
GULFPORT, MS.	16	16	0
DoNY	41	41	0
DoOHIO	23	23	0
X-1 DAVISVILLE , RI.	12	12	0
DoTN.	10	10	0
X-1 SAN ANTONIO	5	1	4
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This resolution changes the By-laws

By a Roll Call vote this Resolution was **APPROVED** to make the change to the Constitution, Bylaws and Standing Rules.

Resolution 2023-4, Candidacy

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	DELEGATE VOTES	NO CHANGE	CHANGE
ISLAND / DEPARTMENT			
LONGMONT, CO.	4	4	0
DoFL	57	57	0
ATLANTA, GA.	2	2	0
X-26 VILLA GROVE	2	2	0
TWIN CITIES, MN.	6	6	0
GULFPORT, MS.	16	16	0
DoNY	41	41	0
DoOHIO	23	23	0
X-1 RHODE ISLAND	12	12	0
DoTN.	10	10	0
X-1 SAN ANTONIO	5	5	0
Totals	178	178	0

There was a **MOTION (2023-07-CON)** made by Chett **WINCHELL** and seconded by Joe **DEZELAR** to unanimously **disapprove** Resolution 2023-4. This Resolution was unanimously **DISAPPROVED**.

Dave PEARSON asked for clarification on the resumes being posted and or publicized in the **CAN DO**.

If **RESUMES** are **submitted in a timely manner** and are kept brief, they will be posted or published in advance of the Convention and Reunion.

RECOMMENDATION, from the Constitution, By-Laws and Standing Rules Committee.

To **ACCEPT** the **Update to the Constitution, By-laws, and Standing Rules and the Procedure and Ritual Manual**.

There was a **MOTION (2023-08-CON)** by John J. **HILLYER, III** and Seconded by Dwight **HAMBORSKY** to **accept the recommendation** of the Constitution By-laws and Standing Rules Committee to update the documents as **POSTED** for inspection on the web site for the past (6) six months.

Discussion; was held throughout the introduction of the Recommendation.

By a voice vote **178** Ayes and **0** nays, this Motion was **approved to accept**.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Changing of the Life Membership Card,**

Ernie **NELSON** wants to change the size of the card and have them issued to ALL Life Members with the cost being covered by the NSVA Treasury. He has secured a quote from a printer from his area and submitted it to Charlie **COFFIN**.

Gerald **KISSINGER** talked about the Card being available from the Life Membership Chairman. The cards are a regular size like a credit card or Military ID card. **If it is not broke, don't fix it!**

Ernie **NELSON** asked to speak a second time on the issue, but it was only to add something and it was denied.

Charlie **COFFIN** addressed the fact that the Master Roster contains several addresses that are not current making it cost prohibitive to mail out.

Chuck **DOUGE'** asked if there would be a cost reduction if the signatures were eliminated.

Gerald **KISSINGER** stated he would like to see something on the card for "member since".

Jerry **SCHMUCK** made a **MOTION (2023-09-CON)** seconded by David J. **BUCHANAN**, to "task the Life Membership Chairman with detailing the cost per Life Membership cards" and task Ernie **NELSON** to "bring in a detailed proposal for a New Life Membership" to be presented at the next Convention. By a voice vote, **ALL** Ayes and **NO** Nays. This **MOTION passed**.

Discussion: Benny **HERNANDEZ** about going to other vendors.

Dave **PEARSON** asked who assigns the Life Membership numbers? The Life Membership Chairman assigns the numbers for whoever prints the card.

990n e-POST Cards

Charlie **COFFIN** explained how the IRS form 990n post card works. All Islands need to file their own form 990n post cards, annually.

Jim **ZYWOT** relayed his experience in getting Island X-9 Jacksonville reinstated with the IRS.

Jack **TANGEN** called for a 10 minute **Recess** at **1:42pm**.
Jack **TANGEN reconvened** the meeting at **1:52pm**.

Jack **TANGEN** called Benny **HERNANDEZ** up front with Chris **MONTOYA**.

At this time there was a ceremony set up by Island X-1 San Antonio to receive an award from the VFW post and requesting the NSVA to allow time for the presentation.