

Minutes of USS STERETT Association Telephonic Meeting January 29, 2006

In attendance:

Jack Hilton

Mac McGuire

Phil Wasinger

Dave Wolf

Mike Garrity

Wayne McBrian

John King

Mac McGuire gave a report on the process of welcoming new registrants to the Association.

Phil Wasinger reported that we have \$8566 in the treasury, including 741 in the new PayPal account.

Mac McGuire suggested that Pat Day be given credit for his payment of the Colorado registration fees over the past years. Phil Wasinger agreed to give him credit for future year's membership.

John King asked for a volunteer to write the March newsletter. A discussion ensued about having a "Subic sailor" write the March edition. Dave Wolfe agreed to contact Steve Hayes for a "volunteer".

A discussion ensued concerning the date of the 2007 reunion. It was decided that a date would be selected and a reunion held, even if the Navy slips the christening date. Those shipmates with the ability to travel to Maine on the actual christening would make an additional trip to Bath. If we were to hold the reunion on a date not coincident with the christening, we would invite the PCO crew and BIW executives to the reunion. In any case we need to have the reunion before Memorial Day 2007 in order that rates are kept as low as possible.

A discussion ensued on determining the site of the reunion. Phil Wasinger reported that he had initial contact with the Regency Hotel of Portland and found a favorable rate. Wayne McBrian said he would go to Portland in the next few weeks to have another look. Phil agreed to send the documentation he received from the hotel.

John King and Capt. Hilton are going to attempt to visit with the CNO to both invite him and get his support of a date for the christening and reunion.

From the BIW site it was learned that the next christening is the Gridley on 2/11 and the event is open to the public.