

## Battleship New Jersey Amateur Radio Service Meeting minutes, February 10, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 1005

The members present recited the Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes from the previous meeting were not read since they are available on the website for all to see. They were approved unanimously

### President's Report:

- Wood is available for the next two WWII radio room tables
- The 400 Hz panel cannot be removed so we must work around it
- An electrician is in today to help prepare WWII radio for further expansion
- (Dave B) We do not have to be concerned with Bremerton tags on equipment
- Ryan will put out an email two weeks prior to the drydock. Week 1 all volunteers will finish preparing for the move. Week 2 no volunteers are permitted aboard since they will be disconnecting the ship from shore services and preparing for the tow

### Secretary's Report:

- Minutes will be posted to the website as soon as I can get them done and transmitted to Margaret
- Thanks to Margaret for sending me the QSO report to include in the minutes

### Treasure's Report:

- We have \$2889.59 in the account
- We spent \$219.23 since last meeting on Zoom subscription and web hosting
- We received \$362.00 for Museum Ships and donations
- The \$1000.00 drydocking donation check has not yet cleared. Rich will talk to Ryan about it.

### Chief Engineer's Report:

- Dave and Margaret were in on Friday and found that some of the computers were not turned off. All are reminded to insure that the radios, computers, monitors, mice and keyboards are powered down when done
- The two door locker in message handling was unlocked. Please keep aware of security when aboard
- We will still be the organizing ship for Museum Ships Weekend even though it appears we will not be able to participate this year. If anyone wants to operate mobile from the dock please check with Ryan for clearance

#### QSL Report:

- Previous total 50699
- December 2023: 151
- January 2024: 55
- Total now is 50905
- Total contacts for 2023 were 1870
- Previous cash balance in QSL account was \$62.00
- Donations: \$28.00
- Balance as of 1/31/2024 \$90.00

#### Restoration report (Jeff):

- Jeff has been running the machines on Red Net
- The club is getting a lot of attention on TTY, it is working great
- Jeff needs to fix the keyboard (electronics problem, not physical problem)
- Ski has access to a spare and will bring it up next time he comes up.
- Kids visiting are encouraged to type in their names and are provided with the paper tape output, a real success with the kids
- One 1051 receiver is working but fades out after a while
- Jeff has been working with TV Dave on amplifiers. They found some blown fuses and a breaker in the off position
- Jeff will set up a time to work TTY with the Iowa (BB61)
- June is working on the CWIS panel. She needs to replace some 7 segment displays which have failed. There are some on unused panels which can be removed and used.

#### Scouting report:

- Ron D., Rich and Bill participated in the merit badge event. The scouts were appreciative

#### Old business:

- Ron S. asked if we still needed 14 or 15" monitors, and if so should we bring them in before the drydocking or wait. Ron D. said to get in touch with him if any are available
- Some excess monitors have been noticed on the ship. Libby will get with Ryan about making them available

#### New business:

- Jeff asked if we had business cards or flyers with information (contacts, phone numbers, email addresses) to give to prospective members. He had a possible volunteer last weekend but had to write the information down. Margaret has the information and will print out some flyers
- Dave has given up on tracing the bad internet cable and he and Jeff will pull a new one
- TTY Dave said the demo TTY in the radio room is not operating. He checked the printer and it was operable

- TTY Dave will be in on the 20<sup>th</sup> to take some equipment home to work on while the ship is in drydock

Ron S. moved to adjourn, Dave B. seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 1042.

Total members present: .11

Respectfully submitted: Ron Schaffer W2RES