

FEDERATION OF NAVAL ASSOCIATIONS

Minutes of Council Meeting held at the
Artillery Club, Sunderland
on Saturday 25th June 2016

PRESENT:

Cliff Snelling	Secretary
George Jones	Treasurer
Terry Woodward	
Chris Snelling	Editor/Webmaster
Robbie Robson	

George, Terry and Cliff met with Robbie on Saturday 25th June at the Artillery Club in Sunderland, primarily for Robbie to hand over to Cliff as Secretary, but also to discuss the membership situation.

Robbie said he had received some membership fees for 2016 and that he would update the list provided by Terry (from Brian Joy) and advise both George and Cliff. It was agreed that Cliff should take over the role of Membership Secretary. Everyone would make a concerted effort to update our current membership details, and encourage more associations/members to join FNA.

George said that he had made a mistake with the accounts at the AGM, and that the Association did not of course have a deficit at any point. He agreed that he would now forward copies of the bank statements to Cliff each month so that Cliff could correlate with membership fees received.

Robbie said that President Alan Mercer had left a bequest to the FNA in his will of £2000.

Robbie handed over to Cliff files containing copies of all the AGM and Council Meeting Minutes to date. He also provided Cliff with details of COBSEO and the FNA charity registration, and CONA.

It was suggested that there only needed to be two Council Meetings a year, plus the AGM meeting.

The Booking Form for the 2017 Reunion at the Prince of Wales, Southport has been sent to all known members, via email or post. Terry agreed to continue to act as liaison with the PoW.

Venues for Reunion 2018 was discussed. Cliff said that he and Dave were attending the Britannia Hotels event in September and they would get some information for discussion.

Cliff said that Christine, who was also in attendance, has volunteered to act as Webmaster and set up a new website, and also to take on the job of Editor of the Guardian Ensign. It was envisaged that the new website and a GE would be ready by 30 September. Christine and Cliff would aim to produce 2-3 copies of the GE per year.

Cliff said that he had submitted an ad to the HMS Ganges Gazette and the HMS St Vincent Gazette, reminding them that as Association members they were entitled to attend Reunion. It was also suggested that an ad for the FNA be submitted to the RBL magazine. Cliff agreed to look into this.