

USS GEORGE BANCROFT SSBN 643 – ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS QUARTERLY MEETING
13 FEBRUARY 2026
1600 ET

Roll Call

Shaw

- Time: 1600
- Present:
 - Craig Cravey – Commander
 - Ricky Hockensmith – Vice Commander
 - Eric Cooper – Treasurer
 - Eric Shaw – Secretary
 - Steve Eggers – Reunion Committee
 - Ted Corbeill – Membership Committee
 - Paul Hoffmann – Webmaster
 - Aubrey Ducker – Pro Bono Counsel
- Quorum: Yes

Welcome

Cravey

Pledge of Allegiance

All

Moment of Silence for Crewmates on Eternal Patrol

Cravey

Secretary’s Report – Minutes

Shaw

- Minutes for the BoD Quarterly Meeting on 11 NOV 2025:
 - A summary of the 11 NOV 2025 meeting minutes was read by the Secretary.
- ***Motion to accept the Secretary’s report.***
 - Motion by: Eric Cooper
 - Second by: Craig Cravey
 - Discussion: None
 - Amendment: None
 - Vote: Unanimous Aye

Treasurer’s Report

Cooper

- **Financial Report**
 - A summary of Association finances for the period from November 2025 through January 2026 was provided by the Treasurer.
 - Net worth as of 13 FEB 2026 = \$9,467.05
 - Discussion of expenses and income.
 - Income from annual dues was close to expected.
 - Finances are in line with the budget.

- ***Motion to accept the Treasurer's report.***

- Motion by: Craig Cravey
- Second by: Ricky Hockensmith
- Discussion: None
- Amendment: None
- Vote: Unanimous Aye

Standing Committee Report – Membership Committee

Corbeill

- 2,559 – Master Crew List
- 778 - Contact List (40 increase)
- 359 - Eternal Patrol (61 increase)
- 118 - MIGS (40 Lifetime, 78 Annual)
 - 70 – Annual MIGS did not renew for 2026. Craig Cravey sent an email to all of these MIGS requesting that they renew or consider becoming a lifetime MIGS by March 31.
- 133 – At-Large Association Members

- ***Motion to accept the Membership Committee report.***

- Motion by: Craig Cravey
- Second by: Eric Cooper
- Discussion: None
- Amendment: None
- Vote: Unanimous Aye

Standing Committee Report – Crew Memorial Project Committee

Corbeill

- No report due to no new information or committee activity regarding the Memorial Project.
- No update on US Navy approval from Kings Bay Base Commander or Keith Post.
- Ricky Hockensmith has been in contact with Vice Admiral Al Konetzni in effort to help us obtain the required US Navy approval ASAP.
- Discussion of when to start fundraising and timeline for executing the contracts through completion of all work.

Standing Committee Report – Reunion Committee

Eggers

- Committee Chairman Steve Eggers provided a brief summary of the committee's work.
- Committee documents are located in the Reunion Committee folder on the Association Google Drive.
- (2) Possible venues in Jacksonville are being considered.
- Captain Gernand has accepted offer to be speaker for the Reunion.

- **Motion to accept the Reunion Committee report.**

- Motion by: Craig Cravey
- Second by: Ricky Hockensmith
- Discussion: None
- Amendment: None
- Vote: Unanimous Aye

Ongoing Business

- **Umbrella insurance policy for association and officers:** **Cravey**

- (1) quote has been received, (2) more quotes to be obtained.
- Coverage level required should be \$1 Million.
- Must be in place before signing any contracts for Crew Memorial Project.

New Business

- **Bancroft Memorabilia Transfer:** **Cravey**

- Charlie Cannon has agreed to transfer his vast collection of digital and physical Bancroft artifacts to the Association via Dan Powers.
- Dan to work directly with Charlie on logistics of the transfer.
- Craig to contact Keith Post regarding long-term artifact storage at the Saint Mary's Submarine Museum.

- **Bancroft Sail Memorial Flags** **Cravey**

- There is a budget line for a \$150 donation to the St Mary's Submarine Museum for Bancroft Memorial Sail flag replacement.
- Donation payment has not yet been made to the museum.
- **Motion: "Eric Cooper – Treasurer to make budgeted donation of \$150 to St Mary's Submarine Museum c/o Keith Post for Bancroft Sail Memorial flag replacement."**
 - Motion by: Craig Cravey
 - Second by: Ricky Hockensmith
 - Discussion: None
 - Amendment: None
 - Vote: Unanimous Aye
- Craig authorized Eric Cooper to make the donation for 2026.

Next Quarterly BoD Meeting

Cravey

- **Motion to set next Quarterly BoD Meeting for 8 May 2026 1600 ET**

- Motion by: Craig Cravey
- Second by: Eric Cooper
- Discussion: None

- o Amendment: None
- o Vote: Unanimous Aye
- Tentative Quarterly BoD Meeting set for 14 August 2026 1600 ET
- Tentative Quarterly BoD Meeting set for 13 November 2026 1600 ET

Adjourn

Cravey

- **Motion to adjourn.**
 - o Motion by: Craig Cravey
 - o Second by: Eric Cooper
 - o Discussion: None
 - o Amendment: None
 - o Vote: Unanimous Aye
- Meeting adjourned at: 1645