

The chance to moderate an in-person (hybrid) panel this month was an absolute joy! I got to experience the impact and see the importance of what we do here when we come to connect and learn. . . it matters, and it makes a difference! Long time mentor and dear friend to me, now retired Vice Admiral Mary Jackson, introduced the panel, our participants and our purpose, and they shared authentic life and leadership stories for all of us to learn from.

Here's the link to watch for yourself: https://www.snanational.com/ssla.

The goal of the panel was to inspire YOU, our audience, to start your own authentic conversations in your workplace. And not just inspire you to want to do it, but give you concrete examples of HOW to do it. These panelists showed us how it's done, by personal example. Three panelists participated virtually:

RADM Yvette Davids, USN, Chief of Staff, USSOCOM, former Commander, CSG11,

CAPT Rob Francis, USN: Commodore, DESRON 50, former Commanding Officer (DDG 82), former Reactor Officer (CVN 76),

and

CDR Alexa Jenkins, USN: Executive Officer, USS Carney (DDG-64), former President SSLA.

Three panelists participated in person:

CAPT(ret) Roy Love, USN, President, Association of Naval Services Officers,

CAPT Jean Marie Sullivan, USN, Division Chief, Joint Staff, Deputy Director Global Operations,

and

CMDCM Jeanette Hafer, USN: NLEC, former Command Master Chief (DDG 51).

Thanks to all!

Lead on, and Lean On!