



TUSAOCSAA Space/Treasure Coast Chapter Minutes of the General Meeting 19 October 2022, Melbourne, FL



The OCSAA Space/Treasure Coast Chapter (STCC) conducted a quarterly business/social meeting on 19 October 2022 at Grills Restaurant, US Highway 1, Melbourne, FL. The meeting was well-attended by 13 chapter members, plus seven spouses/significant others. Much appreciated was the extra travel effort of Steve Kenney (New Smyrna Beach) and Cal Clemons (Stuart). We were pleased to welcome a new member, John Fravel, Engineer OCS 105-66 graduate, and first time attendee COL (Ret) John Prokopowicz, OCS 04-64, Ft Benning. This meeting was billed as more "social" with reduced business scope based on the expressed preference of the membership from our July 2022 meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: Following the Commander's Welcome, Rob provided a report on recent Florida National Guard (FLARNG) OCS initiatives. In August Rob and COL (Ret) Roy Pinette, a Connecticut NG OCS 68-69 graduate, traveled to Camp Blanding, FL. Roy presented the Fitness Award to an Outstanding FLARNG OCS graduate. The Award was sponsored by OCSAA and is part of an ongoing program to recruit and link State NG OCS programs with National and local OCSAA Chapters. STCC has taken a lead on this National program and has established a solid partnership with the FLARNG.

NEW BUSINESS: Tom Rozek, Project Officer for STCC's MOAA Good Deeds Foundation initiative, provided a financial update on our participation in the Community December Golf Tournament, where STCC will sponsor a golf hole. Tom described how and where the donations will be used to support local veterans in need. Contributions were solicited. We appreciate Tom's leadership with this vital program.

Rob reinforced OCSAA's 2022 effort to increase the number of lifetime members by December 31, 2022. Previous annual memberships may be

totalled to reduce one's overall membership from the \$300 fee. Details are in the OCSAA web.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- STCC will participate in the Brevard County Veterans Day events, 0930-1100 hrs, 11 Nov 2022, at the Veterans Memorial Center, Merritt Island. We will display the STCC wreath in honor of all who served. The events include speakers, displays and a Chick-Fil-a donated lunch.

- Rob and Kathy graciously will again open their home for an STCC Christmas party on 9 Dec 2022. Details forthcoming.

- The next STCC business meeting is planned for February 2023. Date and location TBD.

MEMBER ATTENDEES:

Rob McCall
Donn Weaver
Phil Kearns
Cal Clemons
Dick Hanesworth
Dan McAteer
Steve Kenney
Roy Pinette
John Fravel
John Prokopowicz
Dave Kobey
Vic Rogers
Tom Rozek

POC: Phil Kearns, SPO

APPROVED

Robert McCall
Commander, STCC.