## VP-16 Reunion Association, Inc. Corporate Meeting Unapproved Minutes

The annual Corporate meeting of the VP-16 Reunion Association, Inc. was held on 25 October, 2025 in the Club Room at the Holiday Inn Historic Downtown in Mobile, Alabama.

The meeting was called to order at 1945 by Association President, Bill Sherman with 13 attendees (see attached list of names). Also present were Bob Goecker, Treasurer and Ron Malotke Member at Large. Bill Sherman asked Linda Sherman to act as Recording Secretary.

Since copies of the draft minutes from the meeting held on 6 September, 2024 had previously been distributed to everyone, Bill Sherman suggested that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with. Dave Emerick made that motion, seconded by Mary Ivey. Motion was unanimously approved by a voice vote.

Bill thanked Ron Malotke and Jim and Mary Ivey for their assistance in the preparations for this reunion. Ron was present in November, 2024 for hotel site visits and Jim and Mary Ivey assisted in August 2025 with final event decisions. Ron also assisted with purchasing the hospitality room supplies.

Bob Goecker expressed how well received were the tours offered during the reunion. Everyone agreed that both the trolley tour of the city and the tour of the Airbus facility were enhanced by the vast knowledge of our guides.

Bill Sherman gave the President's Report (see attached) which highlighted activities since the last reunion. In it, Bill thanked John and Jo-Ann Hunt for creating the Support Information Flyer previously requested by the Squadron. He also thanked Ron and Pat Malotke and Roger Gulbransen for representing the Association along with Ellis and Carol Chenault at the Change of Command in Jacksonville on 29 May 2025.

Bob Goecker presented the Treasurer's report. The General account has a current balance of \$17,384 and the Support Fund has \$7688. The balance in the General Fund does not reflect reunion expenses yet to be paid.

It was noted that there have been no requests from the Squadron recently for educational assistance since the current program enables sailors to obtain an associate's degree at no charge with a five year commitment. One request for assistance was received this year for a sailor to return home due to a family medical emergency. Funds were provided by the Association in the amount of \$1317.81, which was subsequently reimbursed.

There being no Unfinished Business, New Business was the next item on the Agenda. Bill Sherman stated that regretfully, this would be the last reunion that he and Linda would

organize. It has been a rewarding endeavor but it is time for others to step forward. Even if there is no reunion next year, Bill will still schedule a Corporate meeting to be held at a place and time to be determined, as required by our Corporate documents.

Election of members to the Board of Directors for the coming year followed. Linda Sherman placed the names of Jim Ivey, Ron Malotke, Bob Goecker and Bill Sherman into nomination. There being no further nominations from the floor and the nominations were closed. Dave Emerick seconded the nominations and they were approved by voice vote.

Discussions followed regarding various means of marketing our Association through ads in military magazines and FaceBook groups. Ron Malotke suggested expanding the information on our website. Jim Ivey agreed that the site should be streamlined but stated that it does receive between 800-1000 "hits" monthly. Alvin Sosa also suggested advertising on the TWS website. Bill noted that this reunion was advertised in both the VFW and American Legion magazines.

There being no further business to discuss, Dave Emerick made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alvin Sosa and approved by voice vote. The meeting was then adjourned by Bill Sherman at 2025 hours.

Respectivity submitted		
Linda Sherman Recording Secretary		
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