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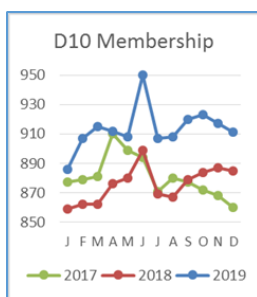
Hello District 10!

It is hard to believe this will be my last Communicator article as your District Commander. Time truly does fly when you are having fun! My theme for the past two years has been **"REDEFINE TRADITIONS... FROM STEM TO STERN"**. When I stepped into this role, I firmly believed that change was necessary to ensure that our organization, with its rich 100+ year heritage, would survive another hundred years and more! While I think we have a long way to go at all levels of the organization, I believe the steps we have taken in District 10 are the right steps for our Squadrons, our District, and even the National organization. It has been an exciting two years for us, and I want to express my personal thanks to each of you for all your support, the changes you have embraced, and all that you have accomplished. Below are a few highlights. Enjoy!



REDEFINE TRADITIONS... FROM STEM TO STERN - Results

America's Boating Club – As a District, we embraced this National initiative. We set goals to modernize our websites, our newsletters, and more importantly, our culture. We coined the phrase "Living the Logo" (thanks Dale Perry) and defined what that meant through a vision and mission statement developed by the marketing team from our squadrons. This was published as the "Living the Logo Master Plan" [LTL Master Plan](#)*. The District also funded and rolled out standardized branding to all the squadrons. We put all of this on full display when we hosted the National Governing Board in Minneapolis. Feedback from all attendees we spoke with was very positive. We were even asked to make several presentations at National meetings to share what we were doing. Many of these elements were adopted by the National Planning Committee and incorporated into the National Strategic Transition Plan [Strategic Plan](#)*. Overall, I believe these efforts have helped us portray a more approachable and fun image to the boating public and it has impacted our membership.



Membership – Speaking of membership, I looked back through all the records on the National website dating back to 2000. Over those 20 years, 2018 and 2019 were the first consecutive years where D10 grew. In fact, District 10 has experienced the most growth in the Nation over the last two years. Squadrons driving this growth were Duluth, Minnetonka, Door County, and Marinette / Menominee. I believe success in these squadrons was helped by the sharing of best practices between squadrons, and the cultural and brand changes we are driving. Moving these successes across the rest of the District was a big focus of the D10 Task Force Team in 2019.

D10 Task Force Team – Last April at the Spring Conference meeting, the D10 Task Force team was formed. At the onset, the goal was to "look at potential changes in our operations to free up resources to focus on positioning D10 for the future". A multi-squadron team focused on identifying the main problems impacting our organization, and the causes of those problems. The results and recommendations were brought to the

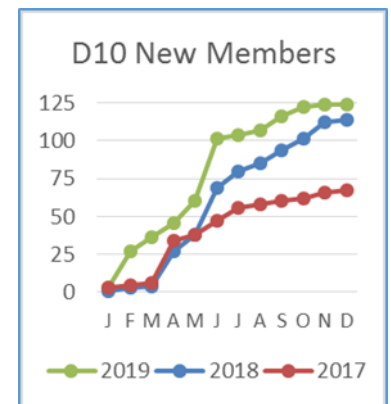
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Fall Conference and a Task Force Implementation Team was formed. That team is now focused on marketing, member involvement, and the value proposition of our organization. Have you read “Who we are and what we do: Marketing our Mission and Frequently Asked Questions.”? [Marketing FAQ](#). The efforts of this team will continue into 2020 and I personally expect it to pay dividends to all the Squadrons across D10. Come to the Spring Conference seminar on Sunday morning to learn where we are headed!

Other Ways We Excelled – There were so many other great Squadron accomplishments these last two years. It would be impossible to list them all, but here are a few more highlights:

- D10 won the BoatUS Civic Award recognizing the 938 Squadron members who donated 8132 hours!
- Over the last two years we conducted 2687 vessel safety checks which is more than any two-year period dating back to 2000.
- We submitted candidates for the Chapman award in each of the last two years (the first D10 candidates in many years). In 2018, Don Duncan won that award. The 2019 awards will be presented at the February National meeting.
- We began the rollout of Jump Start across the District. A new on the water training program designed to partner with new boaters to teach safe boating. This is a great initiative that can improve membership!
- We made the Education Fund Honor roll two years in a row by having 100% of our squadrons participate. Prior to 2018 it had been many years since we met this goal.
- We added 238 new members over the last two years. With total membership just over 900, that is a remarkable accomplishment!
- Duluth, Minnetonka, and Door County were recognized nationally through the Member Involvement and Retention Award (MIRA)
- We revamped the format for our District Conference meetings to have an equal balance between business, education, and fun. I personally have enjoyed the increased social time with our members!
- To keep you informed and to encourage your feedback, we increased our emphasis on communication by doubling the number of newsletters, and by creating the D10 Top 10.
- With your help, we reduced the number of members we fail to reach via electronic communications.
- Many squadrons won the Distinctive Communicator award for their websites and newsletters.
- For the first time in many years we delivered a balanced budget that did not rely on drawing from savings.



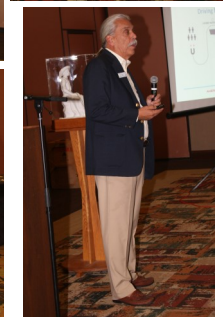
Wow! I could go on but am running out of space. Congratulations and thanks to all of you! It has been an honor and a privilege to serve you as District Commander. I am looking forward to the great things this District will continue to do under the leadership of Kevin Wehrmann. See you at the Spring Conference!

Remember, let's **REDEFINE TRADITIONS... FROM STEM TO STERN**

D/C Dave Fine



D10 Fall Conference 18-20 October 2019 **Stevens Point, WI** **Thanks Central Wisconsin and Cdr Roger Janik!!!**



District Executive Department

This is my last Communicator article as your District Executive Officer. I have learned a lot this year under Commander Dave Fine who has done an outstanding job streamlining District 10 in what it has become today! Although the Executive department didn't achieve all its goals, in any case, I believe we had a successful year. Hopefully we have better weather in 2020 for Boat Safety Week and our scheduled events for the Vessel Examiner's.

As the District 10 incoming Commander Elect, I am looking forward to another outstanding boating season with my squadron and the people from District 10. It was decided that we will have a fall conference in 2020, the location will be in Eau Claire Wisconsin hosted by the St. Paul Power and Sail Squadron. Thank you, Commander Ed Manor, for stepping up as we begin our journey into the 2020 boating season.



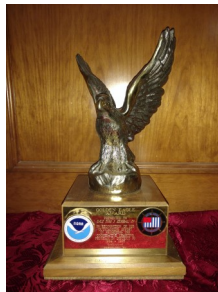
D/Lt/C Kevin Wehrmann, S

Summer Rendezvous 2020 and 2021 are also on the radar. Chad Lowney from the Duluth Squadron has offered to host the 2020 Summer Rendezvous (Corn Roast) at the Oar Dock facility in Superior at Allouez Bay on Labor Day weekend. RV's, campers and trailerable boats are welcome, more details to come!

Congratulations go out to Bob DeNoto and the Door County Squadron, by the fall of 2021 the Maritime Lighthouse Tower addition will be complete and Door County has volunteered to host the Fall rendezvous complete with museum tours.

GOLDEN EAGLE AWARD:

Annually, the National Cooperative Charting Committee presents the national GOLDEN EAGLE award to the district Cooperative Charting chairman who has best prepared his or her district during the year for current and future excellence in Cooperative Charting.



A New Award for Treasure Hunters!

It will be awarded locally thru district 10 to either the Squadron or individual who earns the most Geodetic Marker recoveries.

From the Civic side of the triangle, at the District 10 level, a new GOLDEN EAGLE award will be presented during the 2020 Spring Conference's awards ceremony along with the Pelican Award. Criteria on how the award will be judged and processed is still under construction.



Vessel Safety Check Update across District 10



In 2019 we were aiming for a goal of 1452. The Final count for District 10 was a TOTAL of 1236, 85% of our goal.

Name	Position	# of VE	Squad-ron#	VSC's 2019	VSC's 2018	VSC's 2017	VSC's 2016	VSC's 2015
Bill Dohr	VSC Chair Central Wisconsin	10	955	240	229	212	218	222
Lou Pasquesi	VSC Chair Door County	6	5715	253	222	206	219	180
Dave Carlson	VSC Chair Duluth	10	1545	93	149	110	108	129
Charles Reetz	VSC Chair Green Bay	2	2085	31	30	39	33	40
Marie Coons	VSC Chair Hiawatha Valley	6	2267	39	65	69	75	75
Cindy Parisi	Commander (acting VSC Chair) Madison	0	3030	0	0	0	0	0
Tim Coffey	VSC Chair Marinette-Menominee WI/MI	8	3140	86	90	75	88	107
Craig Lake	VSC Chair Milwaukee	5	3390	28	64	78	53	53
Dan Saniti	VSC Chair (D10 VSC Chair) Minnetonka	16	3405	233	353	230	270	166
Geoff Carman	VSC Chair Oshkosh	6	4095	70	112	115	129	137
John Gagich	VSC Chair St. Paul	6	5025	163	137	137	109	22
74				1236	1451	1271	1302	1131

Congratulations to D-10's TOP THREE Vessel Examiner's

Central Wisconsin, John Paprocki 155 VSC's
Door County, Lou Pasquesi 135 VSC's
Minnetonka, Richard Hascall 116 VSC's

Thank You Dan Saniti!

The **Pelican Award** will be awarded at the Spring Conference Saturday evening at the award ceremony after dinner.

BoatLive365: Create a Safe Boating Culture; Boating is Serious Fun

This program was created by the United States Power Squadrons through a grant from the United States Coast Guard in answer to their request for boating safety to be recognized daily, not just one week a year. Take a look at the web-site, order materials through USPS Headquarters, and start using the easy-to-use exercises at your squadron. <http://www.boatlive365.org> *.

Remember with a Boat and a Little Imagination you can go Anywhere!

Respectfully submitted,

D/Lt/C Kevin Wehrmann, S
District 10 Executive Officer

District Educational Department

With the 2019 holiday season behind us, I would like to ask all of you to consider attending our D-10 Spring Conference.

I will be conducting the Educational Department workshop and you are invited. This will be an opportunity for you to hear about things developing within our national USPS educational department. We will also have ample time to discuss needs within our D-10 squadrons.

As a member of the national public boating committee, I will be able to disperse current information as it relates to the USPS Education department.

With our new USPS branding effort, we are in the process of revising the many courses and seminars. The Paddle Smart seminar committee is well into the process of a major update. I am in need of individuals to assist us in getting all educational offerings in step with the new branding image. If you have Power Point skills I will welcome your willingness in our efforts.

The D-10 Spring Conference will also be an opportunity for you to join us for two USPS seminars. There will be one on Saturday and one offered Sunday morning. They are Mariner's Marine Compass and Advanced Powerboat Handling.

I look forward to seeing you March 13-15th at the D-10 Spring Conference at the Minneapolis Marriott West!

Regards,
D/Lt.C Wesley D. Koplitz, AP-CN
District Educational Officer

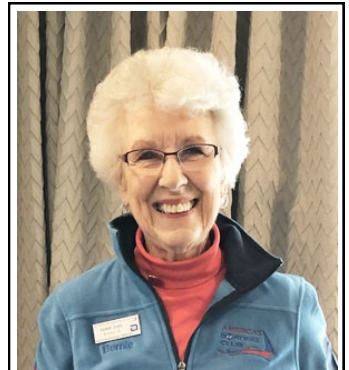


D/Lt/C Wesley D. Koplitz, AP-CN

District Administrative Department

Thank you to all who planned and participated in the fall conference. Without our members' participation we would not be able to have successful events.

The holidays are behind us and we are looking forward to a new year of boating club activities. Coming up next is the annual meeting at Sawgrass Marriott Golf Resort & Spa in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida from February 9-16. Your registration fee of \$35 includes continental breakfast on Saturday, February 15. We will be celebrating 106 years as an organization. For most members attending this meeting, this is an opportunity to make new friends from other squadrons and districts and reconnect with old friends.



**D/Lt/C Bernadette Dohr,
AP**

Coming up in a few months is our spring conference. It will be held March 13-15, 2020 at the same hotel as last year's conference in Minneapolis, MN. Please think about attending. You will be glad you did. We are doing something different this year. This conference will be Minnetonka's change of watch and all squadron commanders are invited to be installed at this conference. Hopefully this will eliminate some of the travel to squadrons usually made by the district commander or a district bridge member. Please think about going to this conference for the workshops, seminars, and all the fun times that are planned for you.

Submitted by
District Administrative Officer
D/Lt/C Bernadette Dohr

District Secretary

Hello All,

What a fun time we had at the Fall Conference at Stevens Point, WI in October 2019. Thanks Central Wisconsin for hosting. It was a time to get updates from National, approve the Budget, attend seminars, and most of all gather with fellow D10 members and celebrate !!!

The Holidays are behind us and now I am getting things together for the 2020 Spring Conference. With that said the Bounced list is still at 72 members. The list is posted on the D10 Website, here is a link to the [Bounced List](#)*. If you know these people please have them go to this link and have them OPT-IN. Instructions are posted on the next page. If they do NOT want to continue to receive notifications from District they can always unsubscribe. By doing so they will be eliminated from the Bounced list.

The following are ways to update member information:

- DB2000, the Information Center on the National website
- D10 website Home Page
- Contact your Squadron's Roster Chair or Secretary
- The "OPT-IN" option

Here is a link to the [2020 Spring Conference Registration](#)* which is located in the Minnetonka Squadron Website. I urge you to view this wonderful webpage created by Kevin Shutes. If you prefer to turn in a paper copy the registration is posted on the D10 Website at this link [Paper Copy of Registration](#)*. The agenda can be found at this link, [Spring Conference Agenda](#)*. People on the bounced list will not be able to see all the fun things in store for this event.

I have attached the following documents:

- Call to Spring Council and Conference Meeting
- The Rules Committee Report concerning proposed changes to the D10 Bylaws
- The Nominating Committee Report concerning proposed changes to the D10 Slate

Thank you in advance for your help. Have a great Winter and Hope to see you at the Spring Conference.

Kindest Regards,
D/Lt/C Jennine Fine
District Secretary



D/Lt/C Jennine Fine

Squad	13-Jan	
CW	3	
Door	1	
Duluth	29	
GB	5	
HV	2	
Madison	4	
M/M	5	
MLwke	3	
Mtka	13	
Oshkosh	4	
St. Paul	3	
Total	72	



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"OPT-IN", allows you to receive D10 communications. By completing the 5 steps below, your email address will be updated:

- Right click on [OPT-IN](#)* or <http://oi.vresp.com/?fid=8329960737> *. This is a link to the D10 Website.
- A D10 window will pop up. Fill in your email address and name, then select "Join Now".

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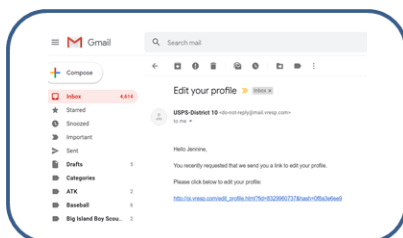
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First Name:
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- Another window will appear. Click "here" and an email will be sent to your Inbox.

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Hi, you've already signed up with this e-mail address.
Your Current Mail Status: Opt-In
If you'd like to view or edit your current profile, please click [here](#), and we will email you a link to your personal profile page.
We email this link to you to ensure that only you have access to your profile page.

- The email sent will have a link which you must go to in order to verify your email address.



- The D10 window will pop up once again. Clicking "Join Now", verifies that your update is complete.

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Thank you - your profile has been updated!

If anyone needs further assistance, please contact me at jennine.fine@gmail.com with a phone number and I will walk you through this exercise.



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Call to the Meeting

District 10 2020 Spring Council Meeting

11 March 2020

Via GoTo Meeting
and

Call to the Meeting

District 10 2020 Spring Conference Meeting

14 March 2020

Minneapolis Marriott West, 9960 Wayzata Blvd, St. Louis Park, 5542

In accordance with the bylaws of District 10, Section 5.6, the District 10 2020 Spring Council meeting and the 2020 Spring Conference Meeting (to which all members are cordially invited) has been called.

The 2020 Spring Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 11 March 2020 via GoTo meeting and will convene at 1900. An Invitation to the GoTo meeting will be emailed to each attendee prior to the meeting.

The 2020 Spring Conference Meeting will be held on Saturday 14 March 2020 at the Minneapolis Marriott West in St. Louis Park, MN and will convene at 0900 for the purpose of acting on matters set forth below:

1. To receive and act upon reports of officers and committees.
2. To elect officers and members of committees.
3. To consider and act upon any other business that may properly come before this meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
D/Lt/C Jennine Fine
D10 Secretary



District Secretary



P/R/C Jim Pahl-Washa, JN-IN

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1 February 2020

From: D10 Rules Committee

P/R/C Jim Pahl-Washa, JN-IN (Chair)

Lt Bud Broekema, AP

Lt/C Maury G. Rice JR, JN-IN

Report to the 2020 District 10 Spring Conference

At the request of the District Bridge the Rules Committee has been reviewing the District Bylaws with the sole purpose of making the Fall Conference optional rather than mandatory. The request was made in response to changes adopted nationally. Therefore, the Committee recommends for approval by the Council and the Conference revisions to the District 10 bylaws, dated March 2017.

Rationale and Approach by the Committee

The new Model Bylaws (dated September 2019) provide more flexibility in District self-governance by reducing the number of required annual conferences from two to one. This change effectively makes future District 10 Fall Conferences optional at the discretion of the District upon the wisdom of the Council and the desire of membership to gather for business and social events. However, the bylaws being proposed do not prevent in any way the District from holding multiple conferences.

Consequently, there are several cosmetic changes involving references to spring and fall throughout, replacing specific seasonal references with the generic term "Conference" wherever possible.

Section 2.2.6 is a key addition by the new District Model Bylaws, providing the new mechanism to manage Squadron operational waivers.

This report is highlighted throughout to help the reader locate specific areas of change. There are also some additional notes in () parentheses. The proposed bylaws changes are presented in order, by Article and Section Reference. We highly recommend the reader have a current copy of District Bylaws on hand to assist with questions pertaining to each revision. The report will be explained in depth at the Council and Conference Meetings. The Rules Committee also plans to conduct an open meeting at the upcoming Conference on Friday 13 March to help answer membership questions.

Respectfully Submitted,
P/R/C Jim Pahl-Washa, JN-IN
Rules Committee Chair

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Proposed *Bylaws*

ARTICLE 1

District Organization

Section 1.2

The district shall be composed of the chartered squadrons assigned it by the Governing Board of United States Power Squadrons. It shall be governed by a District Conference functioning as the governing body and by a District Council functioning as an executive committee of the District Conference, all in accordance with the policy and authority of USPS. *If a District chooses to not have a Council, the duties herein of the Council will be the responsibility of the District Conference.* (Additional sentence)

Word and Term Meaning

- 1.3.5** *Policy and authority of USPS* refers to and means the bylaws of USPS, and the policies adopted by the USPS Governing Board or the Board of Directors. The current USPS Operations Manual often includes or refers to these bylaws and policies for ease of member reference. If there is a difference between the National bylaws or USPS policy and the Operations Manual, the bylaws or policy always take precedence. (Replaced section in its entirety)

ARTICLE 2

Officers and Committees General Provisions

- ~~**2.1.5** No individual shall be eligible for election to the office of commander for more than two consecutive terms of one year each.~~ *The following sections were renumbered to match 2019 model after deleting current 2.1.5*
- 2.1.5** Committees whose members have staggered terms shall have members elected or appointed initially for terms to meet such qualifications. One of the members whose term next expires shall be considered for appointment as chairman except for the general committees, which shall select their own chairmen.
- 2.1.6** A vacancy occurring in any elective office shall be filled by the Council for the unexpired term and a vacancy occurring in any appointive office shall be filled by appointment by the commander except for multi-year terms which shall be appointed by the Council. Persons selected to fill vacancies in the offices of educational officer and assistant educational officer must have their qualifications approved as provided in 6.3 herein.
- 2.1.7** In addition to the specific duties set forth herein, all district officers shall be expected to perform such other duties relating to their office as may be prescribed by the policy and authority of USPS.
- 2.1.8** In all instances relating to rank, grade, appointment, duties, and procedures, the policy and authority of USPS shall prevail.
- 2.1.9** Upon leaving office, officers shall turn over to their successors all significant records, reports, communications and documents in their possession that pertain to the affairs of the district.

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Elected Officers

- 2.2.6** Evaluate in coordination with the National Executive Officer requests from squadrons of the district for a temporary waiver to its bylaws to conduct its affairs under such organizational and operational structure as deemed appropriate. Monitor said squadron and its activities and report to the National Executive Officer. (New: Squadron Waiver rule)

General Committees

- 2.9.3** The **Auditing Committee** shall consist of a chairman and two other members, one of whom shall be elected each year for a term of three years. This committee shall examine all records of the treasurer annually and submit a report of its findings [to the next meeting of the Conference](#). An additional financial review shall be performed should a different person assume the office of treasurer prior to the end of the fiscal year.
- 2.9.4** The **Planning Committee** shall consist of a chairman and five other members, two of whom shall be elected each year for a term of three years. If practical, this committee shall be so constituted that at least half the members are past district commanders or past district lieutenant commanders and with not more than one member from any one squadron. This committee shall make recommendations for proposed changes benefiting the district in response to requests from the Council, the Conference, or from within the committee. [It shall file a report to the next meeting of the Conference.](#)

Standing Committee (Reporting to the Council)

Section 2.10.1

The **Budget and Finance Committee** shall consist of three members, one of whom shall be appointed by the Council each year for a term of three years. This committee shall recommend policy concerning general reserves and operating funds as directed by the Council, and shall annually draft a detailed budget of operating expenses, anticipated income, and recommended assessment to be levied against the squadrons for the following budget year. The complete budget shall be proposed to the Council [prior to the Conference](#). [Any change in assessment adopted at a Conference shall not take effect until the beginning of the next USPS dues year.](#) (According to new model language)

ARTICLE 3 The Council

Section 3.2.4 The Council shall:

[At least annually, prior to the Conference at which the budget is adopted, approve for recommendation to the Conference a detailed budget, including the assessment to be levied against squadrons for the following year and any investment decisions, to be forwarded to Conference for final approval.](#) (Replacement)

Section 3.2.8 The Council shall:

[Appoint annually a member\(s\) to the Budget and Finance Committee to replace the member\(s\) completing their final year of service.](#) (Modified per new bylaws language)

Section 3.2.10 The Council shall:

For all district operating funds, and with the advice of the treasurer, designate depositories insured by an agency of the U.S. government in which the district's operating funds shall be kept. For planning purposes, operating funds shall approximate 150% of the district's annual operating budget. For investment funds, the district may seek out higher yield investments which have been recommended by a qualified professional. Finally, the Council shall adopt the budget, including any investment decisions, [for submission to the next Conference for final approval.](#)

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ARTICLE 4 The Conference

Section 4.2 Delegates.

4.2.1 Delegates shall be selected by each squadron from that squadron's members qualified to vote on the basis of one delegate for each 25 members so qualified and in good standing, or major fraction thereof, as of the preceding 1 March, with a minimum of three delegates per squadron.

Section 4.3.1 The Conference shall:

Elect annually elective officers as provided herein and members of the general committees. (Remove reference to spring)

Section 4.3.2 The Conference shall:

Adopt annually a detailed budget, including the assessment to be levied against squadrons. Assessments for members joining squadrons after the date specified in 2.7.6 herein may be levied by the Conference. Assessments shall not be levied upon squadrons of a division of the district without authority of the Division Conference. (Remove reference to fall meeting)

Section 4.3.5 The Conference shall:

Adopt and forward appropriate recommendations and resolutions, which have been adopted by a two-thirds vote of the District Conference, via the office of the national Executive Officer for final decision by the Governing Board. A subsequent District Conference may, by a two-thirds majority of those voting, move to withdraw a resolution still pending before the Governing Board, a department committee or officer of the USPS. (Replacement)

ARTICLE 5 Meetings, Notices, and Quorums

Section 5.1

There shall be at least one regular meeting of the Conference in each calendar year. Any Conference meeting shall be scheduled in accordance with the policy and authority of USPS and care shall be taken that the dates do not conflict with national events. (Replacement)

Section 5.2

The Council shall fix the number of its regular meetings provided, however, that there shall be at least one, which shall be held within 40 days prior to the following Conference. (Replacement)

Section 5.6

Notice of any district meeting shall be sent by the secretary to members of the Council not less than 30 days prior to the date of a regular meeting and not less than 15 days prior to the date of a special meeting. For meetings of the Conference: (1) notice shall also be sent to each past district commander of the district; (2) the squadron commanders shall notify their respective delegates; and (3) notice of the Conference at which elections are held shall include a list of members nominated by the Nominating Committee for election to positions within the district. Publication of notices in a regular district publication, duly and timely circulated, shall fulfill the foregoing requirements.

Section 5.8.3

In the absence of a squadron commander, the squadron executive officer or administrative officer may act for the commander in the order indicated, except that if the executive officer and the administrative officer are both absent, the squadron commander may appoint an active member of the commander's squadron to act for the commander. Such appointment shall be in writing or by e-mail and submitted to the district secretary at or prior to the meeting. In the absence of an officer for whom there is an elected assistant; the assistant may act for the principal. (Replacement)

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ARTICLE 6

Nominations and Elections

- Section 6.1** Candidates for elective offices to be voted on at [Conference](#) shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee or by written petition signed by a total of at least 10 acting members in good standing from each of at least three squadrons. Such petition shall be sent by first class mail or delivered to the secretary at least 15 days before the date of the election. At least 10 days before the date of the election, the secretary shall forward the names of those nominated by petition to each member of the Council and to each past district commander of the district. Squadron commanders shall notify delegates representing their squadrons. Electronic notification shall be considered effective provided the conditions of Section 5.6.1 are met.
- Section 6.6** In the event the commander, the executive officer, or the administrative officer is determined, by self-declaration or by two-thirds vote of the Council, to be incapable of performing the duties of office because of illness or other reason, the Council may assign the duties and powers of such office to a past district commander agreeable to serve. Such assumption of duties by a past commander shall last only until the earliest of: (1) the next [Conference](#); (2) the officer rescinds the self-declaration of incapability; (3) the Council rescinds its declaration of incapability; or (4) the next meeting of the Conference at least 50 days after the declaration of incapability at which meeting the Council shall recommend to the Conference whether the period of incapability should be extended or the office should be declared vacant. Should the Council recommend the office be declared vacant, such recommendation shall be made in time for a report of the Nominating Committee to be included in the notice of the meeting of the Conference. If the Conference by a two-thirds vote concurs, an election shall be held to fill such vacancy. Candidates for such office shall be nominated according to the provisions of 6.1 and 6.2 above.

ARTICLE 8

Finances

- Section 8.2** The budget year of the district shall be from the end of the Conference at which the budget is adopted to the end of the Conference at which the budget is adopted the following year if only one conference is held annually. Otherwise the budget takes effect according to 2.10.1. (Replacement with one minor addition to acknowledge budget approvals in the Fall taking effect the following dues year after the Spring Conference)



District Secretary

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Nominating Committee Report

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District 10 Slate of Officers for Election, 2020-21

Commander	D/Lt/C Kevin Wehrmann, S	
Executive Officer	Cdr Chad Lowney, AP	
Educational Officer	D/Lt/C Wesley Koplitz, AP	
Assist. Educational Officer	Lt/C Dennis Schultz, AP	
Administrative Officer	D/Lt/C Bernie Dohr, AP	
Assist. Administrative Officer	P/C David Stokes, S	
Secretary	D/Lt/C Jennine Fine	
Assist. Secretary	Open	
Treasurer	D/Lt/C Tracy Gustafson, AP	
Assist. Treasurer	D/1 st /Lt Lori Yecoshenko	
Immediate Past Commander	D/C David Fine, AP	
Rules Committee (3-year term)	*Lt Bud Broekema, AP	2021
	*P/R/C Maury Rice, SN	2022
	P/R/C Greg Korstad, AP	2023
Planning Committee (3-year term)	*P/D/C Wm. Dohr, SN	2021
	*P/C Lance Olson, P	2021
	*Lt Donald Duncan, JN	2022
	*P/D/C Dale Perry, N	2022
	P/R/C Jim Pahl-Washa, JN	2023
	D/C David Fine, AP	2023
Audit Committee (3-year term)	*P/R/C Mike Wiedel, JN	2021
	*Rebecca Skelley, S	2022
	Open	2023
Nominating Committee (3-year term)	*P/D/C Wm. Dohr, SN	Central Wisconsin 2021
	*Cdr Bob DeNoto, JN	Door County 2022
	Open	Duluth 2023
	*P/C David Budde, AP	Green Bay 2022
	*P/D/C Marie Coons, AP	Hiawatha Valley 2021
	*Julie Pahl-Washa, P	Madison 2021
	Open	M & M 2023
	*P/D/C Ted Symczek, SN	Milwaukee 2022
	*P/C Bob Brown, AP	Minnetonka 2021
	*P/C Suzanne Carman, S	Oshkosh 2021
	*Cdr Ed Manor, S	St. Paul 2022

*Not to be voted upon-previously elected and listed for information only

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District Secretary

Nominating Committee Alternates

(1-year term - assuming it will be the same as last year.)

Central Wisconsin
Door County

Duluth

Green Bay
Hiawatha Valley
Madison

M & M

Milwaukee

Minnetonka
Oshkosh
St. Paul

P/R/C Maury Rice, SN

D/Lt Alan Wentworth, SN

Open

Lt/C Robert Rondou, AP

Cdr David Muscarella, N

Cdr Cindy Parisi

P/C Paul Hiniker, S

Open

Cdr Andrew Lalim, JN

P/C Carl Jansen, AP

P/D/C Kris Harmon, AP

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Brown, AP

Chairperson, D/10 Nominating Committee

District Treasurer

Ahoy from the D-10 Treasurer's Department !

Our financial position is Ship Shape !! We are staying within our budget - Thanks to the due diligence for budgeting and spending of the bridge team. I really appreciate how the bridge works together to keep an eye on the budget and the district finances. We can keep our squadrons strong by renewing our own memberships and bringing in new people who share our enjoyment of boating and community service.

I want to again take this opportunity to mention to the squadrons that now is a good time to submit an Enrichment Application to D-10 for up to \$500 to help launch a squadron membership, education, civic, fraternal, or administrative initiative. Please find this form on the district website under Treasurer.

It has been a very enjoyable voyage sailing through as District Treasurer for the past few years J I am looking forward to cruising into the next watch year ahead as I continue onboard as the District Treasurer.

There are positions available for interested members to come onboard and serve in a district capacity. Contact anyone on the bridge for more information !

I look forward to seeing the squadrons come together at the District Spring Conference at the Minneapolis Marriott West in Minneapolis March 13-15. District Conferences are fun and rewarding seeing the other squadron members and enjoying getting to know them more at each conference !

I hope to see all of the Squadron Treasurer's at the Treasurer workshop on Saturday morning. We can share and discuss the Treasurer's duties and responsibilities. Please let me know any other items you would like to cover or discuss at the workshop or any other time during the watch year.

We would love everyone to come to the conferences and see the District members all together and in person. Sometimes life just gets in the way with too many obligations and events going on at the same time. The seat packets and minutes are all posted online for your reading enjoyment.

I appreciate the opportunity to have served as your Treasurer this past watch year !

Have a Safe and Enjoyable 2020 Boating Season !!!

Fraternaly - D/Lt/C Tracy Gustafson, AP-IN

4 February 2020

"Never Regret The Things That Make You Smile !"



D/Lt/C Tracy Anne Gustafson, AP-IN





Help Wanted !!! – District 10 is looking for people interested in taking on a role at the District level. Key needs are:

- ⇒ Membership Chair
- ⇒ Assistant Secretary
- ⇒ Audit Committee Member
- ⇒ Nominating Committee Members—Duluth & M&M
- ⇒ Nominating Committee Alternate Members — Duluth & Milwaukee
- ⇒ Publications Editor

Feel free to reach out to any member of the Bridge if you want more info. Taking on one of these roles is a great way to see what goes on at the District level and we could really use your help!

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