



NEBNA

Naval Enlisted Bombardier Navigator Association (NEBNA)

The twelfth (12th) meeting of the Naval Enlisted Bombardier Navigator Association (NEBNA) was held in Pensacola, Florida at the Comfort Inn on New Warrington Road, Saturday morning, **18 October 2003**.

The minutes of the meeting are in accordance with the NEBNA BYLAWS, Article VII, Meeting Procedures.

The meeting was called to order by the Association President, Don Pierce, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to Our Flag then a brief prayer given by Chuck Templin.

The membership role call was recorded. There were seventeen (17) members present:

1. Beers, George
2. Campell, A M (“Soup”)
3. Feedback, Ralph (“Rotten Ralph”)
4. Fennell Jr, Abe P
5. Kronjaeger, Eugene (“Eek”)
6. Lindt, Jimmie
7. Martin, Richard
8. Mitchell, Gorman W
9. Noto, Carl D (“Denny”)
10. Peffly, Richard R
11. Pemberton, Colin (“Pem”)
12. Pierce, Don (“World Famous”)
13. Rankin, Robert (“Hoss”)
14. Skelly, Rick
15. Templin, Chuck
16. Tourney, Keith M
17. Williams, John (“Buddy”)

The President introduced our latest “find”, Richard R Peffly.
All members welcomed Richard as they were introduced to him.

The President also welcomed “*Rotten*” Ralph Feedback to his first NEBNA meeting.

Secretary’s Report:

A motion was made and seconded that the minutes of the last meeting be approved as distributed.
The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

The Association Treasurer, Chuck Templin, reported a balance of \$1411.44 in our account as the result of the sale of NEBNA patches and another check for NAMF dues. The patches cost \$485 for 100 and we have sold 61 at \$7.50 each. We still need to sell four more patches to break even.

A note to all members, patches are still available and can be purchased from Chuck Templin.

History Chairman Report:

History Chairman, Rick Skelly, reported some members have NOT submitted their "History Forms". It is important that all members submit their history form ASAP.

Old Business:

Membership application to the Naval Aviation Museum Foundation (NAMF)

A motion was made and carried that all NEBNA members (those accounted for) will be members of the NAMF (giving us 100% membership).

Our Treasurer, Chuck Templin, will present the membership applications to the NAMF after the completion of this meeting.

Refer to the article published in the GOSPORT on October 17, 2003, "Enlisted bombardiers/navigation join with aviation foundation".

Letter of Introduction to the Naval Museum.

We are still in the process of writing our History Letter for NEBNA's introduction to the Naval Aviation Museum. There was a lot of "table talk", sometimes a little confusing on just what we should do. Some questioned on what we will do if we are not admitted to the Naval Museum. Perhaps we could approach another museum (Sanford Museum), etc. What will happen to us when there are none of us?

The "NEC 9913" issue came up again. Still trying to find some information. More "table talk" on the Buddy Williams "letter" for our introduction to the Naval Museum.

New Business:

NEBNA to form a corporation

The association needs to form a corporation in order to solicit funds for building our "Display", should we be admitted to the Naval Museum.

To insure funding for this effort, it appears mandatory that the NEBNA achieve 501C status, i.e. tax exempt under the IRS rules.

The motion was made and carried to proceed in forming a Corporation. Members/Officers and Board of Directors will be appointed from our membership. We need a name for our corporation, members to be "Incorporators", a board of directors, a State for registration (Florida) and an address for the corporation.

A motion was made and carried to appoint Chuck Templin, Denny Noto and Abe Fennell to be the "Incorporators".

A motion was made and carried to appoint Rich Martin, Denny Noto, Jimmy Lindt, George Beers and Wayne Musgrove to be on the Board of Directors.

A motion was made and carried to appoint Chuck Templin as the addressee for the Corporation.

Nominations of Officers

The Association is soliciting members for Staff positions for the coming year.

The following names have been submitted:

President:	Rick Skelly, Rich Martin, Hoss Rankin, George Beers
Vice President:	Rich Martin, Abe Fennell, Eugene Kronjaeger
Secretary:	Denny Noto
Treasurer:	Chuck Templin

All members are encouraged to email or mail in their choices for Officers.

Election will be held at the next meeting, in Sanford FL

Next meeting:

The next meeting (meeting #13) of the NEBNA is scheduled for 20 - 21 February 2004, in Sanford, Florida. The meeting will be on Saturday morning, 21 February 2004, at the Best Western Marina Motel on the beautiful waterfront of Lake Monroe.

Chuck Templin agreed to host the event.

Meeting adjourned:

The meeting was adjourned at 1030, at which time, the members proceeded immediately to the Naval Aviation Museum for a special presentation.

Respectfully submitted
Secretary, Denny Noto

President:	Donald Pierce
Vice President:	George Beers
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Footnote:

After the meeting the members all gathered at the Naval Aviation Museum's Hangar Deck for a special presentation and photo opportunity.

The NEBNA Treasurer, Chuck Templin, presented the applications of our members to retired Marine Col. Denis J "Deej" Kiley, Director of Membership and Public Relations for the National Aviation Museum Foundation.

After the presentation of our membership to the NAMF, Doris Pemberton (Pem's wife), presented and read a PROCLAMATION from John R Fogg, Mayor of the City of Pensacola.

After all the activities, the members and their wives gathered in the WestPac Room adjacent to the Cubi Bar Café, for lunch.

The following article appeared in the GOSPORT on October 17, 2003:
(Gosport is the home base newspaper of the Pensacola (Fla.) Naval Air Station)

Enlisted bombardiers/navigation Join with aviation foundation

The Naval Enlisted Bombardiers/Navigators Association (NEBNA) will hold today's (Oct. 18) meeting at the comfort Inn, 3 New Warrington Road at 11 a.m.

Tomorrow (Oct. 19) the Naval Aviation Museum Foundation Will accept about 40-50 NEBNA members into the Museum foundation at the National Museum of Naval Aviation aboard NAS Pensacola at 11 a.m.

NEBNA is made up on only enlisted men who served as bombardier/navigation in "heavy attack."

There were approximately 53,000 enlisted bombardier/navigation trained during World War II. Some of the most famous were the 28 men who flew a B-25 with Lt. Col. James D. Doolittle over Japan in 1942.

"Enlisted navigators and bombardiers has a great deal to do with bringing the Navy into the nuclear age because of the heavy attack squadrons that came out of the Navy's augmentation of these phases (nuclear weapon capable planes aboard carriers)," retired Marine Col. Denis J. "Deej" Kiley, director of Membership and Public Relations for the National Aviation Museum Foundation said.

"They contributed to naval aviation's cutting edge of the spear point. They proved their metal and are parallel with the Silver Eagles (enlisted pilots, see page 8 of this issue)."

For more information visit www.nebna.org

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the **Naval Enlisted Bombardier Navigator Association** will be meeting in our community on October 17 – 19, 2003; and

WHEREAS, on behalf of our community, we are delighted and grateful to host this meeting and extend a warm and hearty welcome to the **Naval Enlisted Bombardier Navigation Association**, their families and guests; and

WHEREAS, the **Naval Enlisted Bombardier Navigator** was never officially sanctioned by the Bureau of Naval Personal, but more than 114 Enlisted Men were trained and assigned to the position of Bombardier Navigator from different squadrons and their parent commands and with the shortage of Naval Officers, served admirably during times of war; and

WHEREAS, as a group, the **Naval Enlisted Bombardier Navigator Association** will become members of the National Museum of Naval Aviation on Saturday, October 18, 2003; and

WHEREAS, we wish to recognize the many individuals who contributed their services in so many ways and to those who made the ultimate sacrifice for their country;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John R. Fogg, Mayor of the City of Pensacola do hereby proclaim October 17 – 19, 2003, as

THE NAVAL ENLISTED BOMBARDIER NAVIGATOR ASSOCIATION DAYS

In the City of Pensacola and urge all citizens to join with me in extending the warm hospitality of our community to the Association, their families and guests.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Pensacola to be affixed this 18th day of October, 2003.

John R. Fogg
Mayor