

## MEETING MINUTES 03/19/22

Meeting was called to order at 14:24. Roll call showed Rear Admiral Shikowitz, Commanders Viohl, Shikowitz, Sterman, Ensign Orapello, Crewmen Ellman, Sullivan, Fleishman, Crewman Recruit Shikowitz and Civilian Liaison Shikowitz present.

Old business was very short this meeting. A minor discussion took place about the commissioning ceremony in July at the annual barbeque on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. The discussion also included decorating along the theme of this year which is TNG 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Putting models of the 1701D, along with pictures from the series on poster board. Commander Viohl said she can make a Captain Picard Day banner. Other ideas may come in the next couple of months from others.

New business consisted of discussion on the ship picking up the payment for the website from Rear Admiral Shikowitz. With the war in Ukraine, the crew was asked if they wanted to do some donations in conjunction with the Upper Room House of Worship for the people there. Unanimously approved. Rear Admiral Shikowitz is going to contact Inserra Supermarkets asking them for donations of toiletries, and other essentials for the people. The crew is still on board for doing the 2025 International Conference with the USS Challenger.

Commander Sterman motioned to accept the old and new business together and Commander Shikowitz seconded. Motion carried.

Another long convention report. 12 items. Report began with Farpoint. Information received by Rear Admiral Shikowitz was that it was not a very good convention this year. It was rife with guest problems after Brent Spiner pulled out for whatever reason. Which Rear Admiral Shikowitz explained was one of the reasons he and Crewman Recruit Shikowitz did not go to it as originally planned.

Colletorfest on February 27, 2022 was attended by Rear Admiral Shikowitz, Commander Shikowitz, Crewman Recruit Shikowitz and Civilian Liaison Shikowitz from the Lincoln. Admiral Vosseller from the Challenger and Admiral Stein from the Justice also attended and a few other crew members from each ship. Afterwards there was a luncheon at a diner near the venue which 13 people attended.

Unfortunately, NEAF has been postponed to 2023 due to supply chain issues and other considerations. Ed Siemenn emailed saying:

*Due to ongoing Covid and world economy concerns and impacts on product availability, NEAF has been confronted with significantly lower participation rates for 2022 than anticipated.*

*RAC has concluded, after considerable effort, that it will not be possible to present NEAF/NEAIC at the high level of quality and excellence that our patrons and exhibitors have come to expect.*

*Rather than rushing forward with a sub-standard event, it is with the deepest regret that we have determined the need to once again postpone both NEAF and NEAIC to the following year.*

*Of course, all purchases since the pandemic began in 2020 will be honored for 2023. We would like to express our heartfelt thanks to all our vendors and attendees for your understanding and support through these difficult times. We look forward to seeing everybody next year for NEAF April 15-16, 2023 and for NEAIC April 13-14, 2023.*

Chiller Theater Con in Parsippany NJ will be held from April 29 – May 1. Some crew will be attending on Sunday May 1.

TOS Tour George Takei and Walter Koenig tickets May 20 – 22, went on sale. \$75 general admission and \$170 combo pack for autographs. Rear Admiral Shikowitz, Commander Shikowitz and Crewman Recruit Shikowitz will be attending.

The 2022 International Conference on June 24 – 26 has gone virtual and no one from the Lincoln will be attending.

Shore Leave, July 15 – 17, will be attended by Rear Admiral Shikowitz, Commander Shikowitz, Crewman Recruit Shikowitz, Crewman Fleishman & Crewman Scott. Rear Admiral Shikowitz still has 2 of the 5 rooms he reserved available.

TOS Tour will be hosting William Shatner from July 16 – 17. No Lincoln crew will be attending.

Last year the crew worked with Al Amoros and the Anthony Amoros scholarship fund on their annual car show. This year it will be held on July 16, 2022. Commander Viohl will be in command of this mission as Rear Admiral Shikowitz will be tg Shore Leave in Maryland.

King Con is still up in the air, but Rear Admiral Shikowitz said he believes that it will not be happening this year because the usual date is only 4 months away and a good convention can not be put together in that short a period of time.

Trekonderoga will be held from August 19 – 21. Eight members of the Lincoln crew will be attending. Guests will be, Gates McFadden, Brent Spiner & John De Lancie. Commander Viohl will alert crew as to when tickets go on sale.

2022 Region 7 Conference will probably be held the law weekend in October at the Crowne Plaza in Cherry Hill NJ.

TOS Tour will be hosting William Shatner again from November 18 - 20 No Lincoln crew will be attending.

The final convention is NYC Comic Con 2022. Waiting on ticket information for it.

Motion was made to accept Convention report as read by Crewman Orapello, seconded by Commander Shikowitz. Motion carried.

Summer Picnic report, USS Challenger bbq will be held on July 9 at Admiral Vosseller's house in Seaside Heights. USS Abraham Lincoln bbq will be held on July 23 at Rear Admiral Shikowitz's house in Garnerville and the USS Justice's bbq will be held on August 20 at Tourne Park in Boonton NJ. Cost for all bbq's will be \$15.

Commander Shikowitz made motion to accept the report as read and Crewman Orapello seconded. Motion carried.

Rear Admiral Shikowitz gave his CO's report next. He explained the ship status and recruitment efforts. Went over the ship uniform information and asked for everyone sending in articles for newsletter to have them in by March 25 for publication by no later than April 8, 2022. He also spoke about getting the model of the new ship which he has to discuss with Admiral Augustson.

Commander Viohl's XO's report consisted of an update on the revisions of the Lincoln's Constitution and handbook. Commander Sterman explained all of the changes that were being made. They were mostly cosmetic no real content changes.

CO's and Xo's reports were accepted as read after Commander Sterman made the motion and Commander Shikowitz seconded it.

The departmental report began with Commander Sterman giving the financial report. The ship is financially healthy. Dues were collected and the money was set aside for the website payment. Commander Shikowitz has reported that he is learning about the new warp drive systems on the Prometheus Class Ship. They are vastly different from the Galaxy Class warp drive.

Commander Viohl made the motion to accept departmental reports as read and Commander Shikowitz seconded. Motion passed.

Trek talk focused mostly on Discovery and Picard series. Some people had not seen either of the latest episodes of them like the fact that season 3 of Picard already filmed and that it will be the last

season, so the conversation had to be limited to general information so as not to spoil the episodes for them.

The schedule for the release of Season 3 of Lower Decks (August 2022) Strange New Worlds (May 2022). No new information on Prodigy season 2 or the 4<sup>th</sup> Abramsverse movie.

Meeting was adjourned at 16:21. Next meeting scheduled for April 9, 2022 at 2 pm at Rear Admiral Shikowitz's house.

Respectfully submitted

Rear Admiral Keith S. Shikowitz