



# STARFLEET Admiralty Board Meeting

November 18, 2023

Official Start-time: 2100 UTC

## i) ATTENDEES:

Commander, STARFLEET  
Vice-Commander, STARFLEET  
RC R1  
RC R2  
RC R3  
RC R4  
RC R5  
RC R6  
RC R7  
RC R8  
RC R9  
RC R10  
RC R11  
RC R12  
RC R15  
RC R17

David Nottage  
Ryan Case  
Phillip Cox  
Mike Brown  
Jason Davis  
Justin Fietzek  
Gene Armstrong  
Mike Urvand  
Bob Vosseller  
Owen Swart  
Ivar Bardie  
Derek France  
Helen Stooke  
Mike Calhoun  
Frank Gonzalez  
Laurie McFarland

### *Also Present:*

*VRC R4  
VRC R7  
VRC R9  
VRC R13  
VRC R15  
VRC R18  
VRC R20*

*Ronald Coleman  
Wayne Auguston  
Valérie Pollet  
Lynn Harper  
Michael Rosen  
Cleber Holanda  
Phillip Gilfus*

*Chief of Communications  
CS, Chief of Staff  
VCS, Chief of Staff*

*Lucy Ferron Franck  
Fran Booth  
Lauren White*

### *Late Attendees:*

*None*

### *Not Present:*

|               |                       |
|---------------|-----------------------|
| <i>RC R13</i> | <i>Charlie Carden</i> |
| <i>RC R18</i> | <i>Cesar Ficachi</i>  |
| <i>RC R20</i> | <i>Richard Sams</i>   |

With 14 of 17 members present, plus guests, the Chair confirmed there was a quorum/  
supermajority of the Board present and opened the meeting.



## ii) REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

Adjustment to Special Orders vote order was made  
*Approved by unanimous acclamation.*

## iii) REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING (Done Via Email October 11, 2023)

*Motion to approve minutes from August 11, 2023 ECAB Meeting as submitted – R6*

**Second Provided by R12**

*Final Vote: 13-0-4 with no votes received from R1, 10, 15, & 18*

*Motion Carries*

## iv) OFFICER REPORTS

- a) **CS** • More forewarning will be given to the AB for Guests attending AB Meetings
- b) **VCS** • This administration has been cognizant of potential legal issues. The individual's assertions lack substantiation and have originated from a legally questionable source, one to which they claim considerable financial commitment, seemingly in an effort to establish a basis for legal action against the organization. Their contentions appear rooted in a misinterpretation of STARFLEET's established procedures and policies, notably, a failure to renew their membership in a timely manner—a fundamental obligation of membership. Consequently, they ceased to maintain full membership status, rendering them without the associated rights and subject to a refusal of service, a legitimate prerogative exercised by our organization as a private entity. In light of the individual's propensity to publicly disclose and distort communication, we have chosen not to engage in a response to their inquiries at this juncture and ask that you continue to do the same with us.
  - Please rest assured that STARFLEET maintains a commitment to the highest standards of integrity and transparency. All requisite rules and processes were meticulously adhered to and the individual's financial contribution was refunded. We appreciate your understanding of these matters.

## v) COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) Disciplinary Board – (R12) Are aware of potential cases but, since the last meeting, there have been no cases to come before the Disciplinary Board.
- b) Membership Cost Committee – Yield report time to Special Order put before the AB

## vi) SPECIAL ORDERS

- a) The Membership Cost Committee (R2, R8, and R20) recommends an increase of subscriptions beginning 1 January 2024 of \$5 (US) per membership plan. This would mean rates would increase as follows:

1. Individual: \$10.00 US
2. Family of 2: \$14.00 US
3. Family of 3: \$17.00 US
4. Family of 4: \$19.00 US





- 5. Family of 5: \$21.00 US
- 6. Family of 6: \$22.00 US

The reasoning behind the proposal is set out in the report submitted on 21 September 2023 that was taken to the membership and brought here for a vote by the AB. Discussion phase took place between the AB members from date of submittal to the day prior to Q4 AB Meeting.

*Motion to approve Cost Committee's recommendation as submitted – R4  
Second provided by R3*

- R1 – Aye
- R2 – Aye
- R3 – Aye
- R4 – Aye
- R5 – Aye
- R6 – Aye
- R7 – Aye
- R8 – Aye
- R9 – Aye
- R10 – Aye
- R11 – Abstain
- R12 – Aye
- R13 – Absent
- R15 – Nay
- R17 – Aye
- R18 – Absent
- R20 – Absent

*Motion Carries (12 Aye – 1 Nay – 1 Abstain – 3 Absent)*

b) **Refusal of Service Edit (R12)**

Motion language crafted and presented alongside MUCH input from others since last meeting.

Whereas STARFLEET is a family organization, with a commitment to protecting all members of all ages, class, status, and identification; and

Whereas our sister fan organizations (501st, Rebel Legion, TRMN, et al) have taken similar actions to protect their own; and

Whereas SFI, in its own policies, procedures, and codes of conduct abhors all harmful – particularly violent, and criminal activity; thus

R12RC Moves that the following verbiage be drafted by the body:

Regarding  
*MHB 02:01 – REFUSAL OF SERVICE*

The ECAB retains the authority to promptly halt or reject membership for individuals involved in criminal activities or behaviors deemed hazardous to our organization. The ECAB shall not initiate actions UNLESS they are the under their specific local command (i.e. Chapter CO, Aux Dept. Head). It is up to the individual member to report to the CS and/or their Chief of Staff.





Such actions include, but are not limited to:

Engaging in violent and/or sexual criminal acts,

- Being under probation or parole for such,
- Displaying dangerous conduct toward members or non-members; or
- Actively and/or knowingly harming SFI financially, physically, or by reputation.

Verifiable evidence of these actions or behaviors is necessary; rumors or assumptions will not suffice for consideration.

This includes but is not limited to:

- Admission of a violent and/or sexual crime,
- Being placed on probation or parole for such,
- Being placed on an official sex offenders or child offenders registry,
- Dangerous behavior to other members or non-members; or
- Actively and/or knowingly working to damage SFI financially, physically, or by reputation.

The AB's Disciplinary Board (DB) reserves the right, in cooperation with the CS (when the CS is so notified and deems it applicable to the above), to suspend a member or limit the positions they can hold during a DB or legal investigation pending the outcome.

ANY (including, but not limited to: violent, sex-related, or fraud [in excess of \$10k US]) criminal conviction (past or present) will result in automatic suspension pending a determination if expulsion is warranted.

ANY arrest, indictment, or arraignment for such will result in immediate (private) suspension of membership pending results. If exonerated, full time remaining (pro-rated to beginning of suspension) and benefits shall be reinstated immediately. If confirmed, expulsion will be immediate and permanent.

Regarding

### *Bylaws 3.7 – Sanctioning, Suspending, or Removal*

Add the following to: “Good cause for sanctioning includes, but is not limited to, failure of a Member to comply with the responsibilities outlined in Sections 3.4.”

*Arrest, arraignment, or conviction of any felony fraud, or any violent or sexual crime in accordance with MHB 02:01.*

### **Seconded by R4**

Discussion phase – several concerns over financial and logistical viability and several RCs request the creation of a new Committee to individually work on finalizing the language.

Motion to Table issue and allow for Committee to return with recommendation – **R4**

### **Seconded by R7**

*Motion Carries by unanimous acclamation.*





## vii) NEW BUSINESS

- a) Re-introduction of Stephen Stott for continuation as STARFLEET Inspector General  
Motion to approve Stephen Stott as STARFLEET Inspector General – R8  
Second provided by R17  
R1 – Aye  
R2 – Aye  
R3 – Aye  
R4 – Aye  
R5 – Aye  
R6 – Aye  
R7 – Aye  
R8 – Aye  
R9 – Aye  
R10 – Aye  
R11 – Aye  
R12 – Aye  
R13 – Absent  
R15 – Aye  
R17 – Aye  
R18 – Absent  
R20 – Absent  
*Motion Carries Unanimously(14 Aye – 0 Nay – 0 Abstain – 3 Absent)*

## viii) ANNOUNCEMENTS

Introduction of new Perks Director, David Reffitt  
Follows with announcement of several perks being supplied to membership very soon

## ix) ADJOURNMENT – 2346 UTC

*Motion to adjourn meeting of Admiralty Board – R12*  
*Second provided by R17*  
*Motion approved by unanimous acclamation*

Next Meeting to occur February 17, 2024 – 2100 UTC

Respectfully Submitted,

VADM Ryan Case, VCS