

# **THE CONSTITUTION USS POWER (DD 839)**

## Article I. General (CHANGES MADE BY MEMBERSHIP VOTE 09/27/00)

1. The name of this organization shall be: USS Power Association here-in after called Power association.
2. Headquarters to be at the incumbent President's domicile.
3. The object of the Power association will be to foster friendship and goodwill remembering always our belief in freedom of thought, words, and deeds and remembering our shipmates present and departed.

## **Article II. Membership**

1. Membership shall be open to all sailors who served on board the USS Power (DD 839) and their Family
2. The executive committee present officer & past president ,immediate past president to assist elected officer . shall have the right to refuse any application for membership if in their opinion there are reasonable grounds for doing so.
3. All members shall be provided a copy of the constitution and by-laws.

## **Article III. Resignation**

1. All resignations shall be made in writing to the president and will be dealt with by the executive committee.

## **Article IV. Officers**

1. The officers of the Power association shall serve in an honorary capacity.
  - A. President
  - B. Sr. Vice President
  - C. Jr. Vice President
  - D. Chairman
  - E. Treasurer F. Secretary
2. These officers shall constitute the executive committee.
3. Other officers shall be appointed by the executive committee to aid in normal operation of the Power association.
  - A. Master-At-Arms
  - B. Storekeeper
  - C. Chaplin
  - D. Web Master
4. Additional members who may be co-opted by the executive committee, as they deem necessary.

## **Article V. Management**

1. Management of the Power association shall be vested in the executive committee who shall have the power to act on behalf of the Power association.

## **Article VI. Quorum**

1. A quorum for a meeting of the Power association shall not be less than twenty members in good standing.
2. A quorum for a meeting of the executive committee shall not be less than three members.

## **Article VII. Meetings**

1. General meetings will be held at least once a year.

## **Article VIII. Finance**

1. The financial year shall run from 1 January until 31 December
2. All members shall be required to pay dues annually.
3. Annual subscription of dues shall become due upon joining, but reduced to half annual dues if joining after 1 July.
4. An account shall be opened in the name of the USS Power (DD 839) association at a bank approved by the executive committee. Checks for payment of all accounts shall be signed by the treasurer. The executive committee shall when possible authorize expenditures out of association funds. The treasurer shall keep proper books of the account and advise and report to the Power organization and executive committee at each meeting on all financial matters, and present an annual audit.

## **Article IX. Special Power**

1. The executive committee shall be empowered to take such action, as they consider

desirable in any circumstances not covered by this constitution. Such action is to be reported at the general meeting for ratification.

2. In the event the association ceases to function, the wind-up clauses are:

All funds and properties of the association are to be forwarded to the US Navy Relief Fund in Washington DC.

## **Article X. Nominations and Elections**

1. The President shall appoint two members in good standing to serve with him as the nominating committee.
2. It shall be the duty of this committee to seek qualified candidates for all elective offices and present them at the general business meeting.
3. Nomination will also be accepted from the floor at the general business meeting.
4. The elections will take place for those officers at the general business meeting and those elected will assume office as of 1 January.

## **Article XI. Alteration to the Constitution**

1. Alterations or additions to the constitution may only be made by a resolution formally proposed to the secretary in writing at least thirty days before the general meeting at which time the resolution is to be brought forward.