



## UNITED STATES POWER SQUADRONS®

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**To:** District Bridge; Assistant District Educational Officer; Assistant District Treasurer; Squadron Commanders; Squadron Educational Officers; Squadron Delegates; Past District Commanders; Past District Educational Officers, General Members of the Governing Board and Governing Board Emeritus Members; Chair Rules Committee; Chair Nominating Committee, Chair Auditing Committee

### Subject: Call to the D2 Spring Conference – Saturday 6 April 2019

The District 2 Spring Conference will be held April 5-6, 2019, at **The Hampton Inn & Suites**, 200 West Main Street Elmsford, NY 10523- (914-592-5680 code WSP). Registration will be at 0800 with a continental breakfast. The meeting will convene at 0900, recess for lunch at 1200 and reconvene at 1330. Our Chief's Rep is the National Educational Officer, V/C Craig Fraser, SN accompanied by Liana Mihalca, SN. Both are members of D7 and Akron Sail & Power Squadron.

If you have any **Resolutions or Recommendations** to be put on the Conference Agenda, please help expedite them by mailing a preliminary copy to the District Secretary at the address above by 25 March, 2019. If that is not possible, submit them in writing to the District 2 Secretary prior to the meeting Call to Order at 0900 on 6 April 2019.

To simplify the Squadron Roll Call, please bring the enclosed **Squadron Attendance** form with you. You can also complete and print a fillable version from the District 2 website. Squadron representatives are asked to complete the **Squadron Attendance** form provided as well and turn into the Conference Registration Desk prior to the start of the meeting at 0900.

Under the provisions of the D2 Bylaws, Section 5.8.3: In the absence of a squadron commander or squadron educational officer, a designated squadron member may act (**Proxy Authorization**) for the purposes of voting at a district meeting, and in the absence of an officer for whom there is an elected assistant, the assistant may act for the principal. We have had electronic seat packets since the Summer Council, 2014. There have been requests for directions on how to find them on the D2 Website.

This is the link to the Confirmed District Meetings page where you will be able to access the e-Seat Packet and instructions on how to print the entire packet or just the pages you would like to have with you. You can also download and save the file to your tablet or computer and view all of the documents at the meeting on your electronic device. The e-Seat Packet will be available on or before 25 March 2018 at the following link.

<http://www.usps.org/d2/d2event.html#District>

Under the provisions of District 2 Bylaws, Section 6.1: Candidates for elective offices to be voted on at the Spring Conference shall be nominated by the Nominating Committee or by written petition signed by

a total of at least 10 voting 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 Conference (other than delegates).

Squadron Commanders shall notify **delegates** representing their squadrons. Electronic notification shall be considered effective provided the conditions of Section 5.6.1 are met. The proposed slate of Officers and Elected Committees is attached as presented to the Winter Council 2 March 2019.

We will continue the change that was made for the presentation of awards at the Spring Conference. Any individual award, where the **recipient** is not present, shall not be presented at the Conference. The Squadron Commander will need to pick up the award at the end of the meeting for presentation to the award winner at a squadron event. This procedure will facilitate a shorter award presentation time which has been requested by attendees in the past.

**Dress code for the Conference is as follows:**

**Friday: Blazer or business casual or other appropriate attire for the no charge Meet and Greet and Buffet Dinner.**

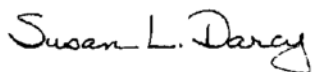
**Saturday Meeting: District Bridge and Incoming Bridge members to wear white long sleeve shirts and ties plus black trousers or skirts. Attendees can wear USPS polos or business attire.**

Please share this information with your Squadron Bridge and Members.

If you have any questions or need more copies or information, please let me know.

Looking forward to seeing you all there!

Respectfully submitted,



For the District 2 Secretary  
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**Attachments:** Spring Conference Registration Forms, Directions; Preliminary Agenda; Attendance Form and Instructions; Proxy Form and Instructions; Nominating Report to the Winter Council; Membership & Delegate Numbers as of 28 February 2019; Proposal for ABC Advertising; 2018-10-27 Draft Minutes of the Fall Conference.