#### **Minutes**

## **Business Meeting**

# 15 September, 2016

Flotilla 014-05-10

Division 5

District 1 Southern Region

United States Coast Guard Auxiliary

Second Deck Conference Room

Marine Inspection Office

**Battery Park Building** 

1 South Street

New York, NY 10004

## Auxiliarists (8):

- 1. Robert Sedgwick
- 2. Louis De Armas
- 3. Allan Peda
- 4. Stephen Sokol
- 5. John Aboulleit
- 6. Terry Wasserman
- 7. Lance Williams
- 8. Andrew Lom

Guests (0):

**<u>Call to Order</u>** - Meeting called to order by FC Sedgwick at 1903 H.

**<u>Pledge of Allegiance</u>** - Pledge led by AUX SOKOL.

Introduction of Guests - None.

<u>Approval of Minutes</u> - Motion by AUX Sokol to approve July, 2016 Meeting Minutes, seconded by VFC Peda. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Elected Officer Reports -**

- -FC Sedgwick FC Sedgwick was happy to inform the unit that John Aboulliet has been officially approved as an Auxiliarist, and competed the new Member Training reuirements in record time: this good news was welcome enthusiastically by shipmates present. Welcome aboard!
- -The Division 5 Bridge is very pleased with our Flotilla's MT efforts: 1. 5-10 achieved a Member cmpletion rate of 43 percent; and 2. the February 28 all-day workshop enabed many Div 5 Auxiliriasts to complete, and the next MT day on October 16 promises like results.
- -Yet DCDR Helm urges us to qualify more Vessel Examiners, a core Auxiliary mission.
- -Members MUST SUBMIT HOURS.
- -The election for the 2017 Bridge will be in November, for Flotilla Commander (FC) and Flotilla Vice Commander (VFC). Letters of Intent must be sent to FC Sedgwick, who is stepping down.
- -VFC Peda -VFC Peda is working to hold another AUXOP-series class soon, open to all metro-area Auxiliarists.

#### **Staff Officer Reports -**

- -FSO-CS, VFC Peda No report received. The Facebook page is up-to-date.
- -FSO-IS, AUX O'Rourke No report received.
- -FSO-CM, VFC Peda No report received. A new radio has been purchased, for Flotilla operations.
- -FSO-DV, vacant
- -FSO-HR, AUX De Armas Report submitted electronically. A rapport has been established with the Division 5 SO-HR.
- -FSO-MS AUX O'Connell No report received.
- -FSO-PA, AUX Padilla No report received.

- -FSO-PB, FC Sedgwick No report received.
- -FSO-PE, AUX O'Rourke No report received.
- -FSO-OP, AUX De Armas Report submitted electronically. To assist Members, AUX De Armas has made a list of the various Auxiliary manuals available for their use and instruction Operations area; this should be posted on the FSO-OP page on the 05-10 website.
- -FSO-MT, FC Sedgwick No report received. Please take advantage of the Mandatory Training session on October 16.
- -FSO-PV, VFC Peda No report received. VFC Peda conducted a vessel program visit.
- -FSO-SR, AUX Sokol Report submitted electronically. Our Flotilla was officially established on September 9, 1966, 50 years ago. At one point, the understrength Flotilla 05-05 was merged with the better-off 05-10. The Flotilla enjoyed a newsletter, the "Charlie Noble" (the title refers to steamships). Our unit is due both 1. a "50 years" blue-and-white streamer and 2. the "National Commodore's Achievement Award" certificate: these should be requested from DIRAUX.
- -FSO-FN, IPFC Lom No report received. IPFC Lom has e-mailed all Flotilla Members to remind them that 2017 dues of \$70 must be paid by October 31 (check, or PayPal online). Our PayPal account holds about \$2000, with around \$5000 in the checking account.
- -A point of concern is that the Flotilla has no source of revenue, other than yearly dues; the inability to hold classes for the public for a fee is a real problem. With lowered revenue, costs could be cut; VFC Peda suggested locating a cheaper yet more capable Flotilla e-mail system. Preserving archived e-mails is essential, as is the ability to attach PDF and other files.

<u>Announcements</u> - There will be an all-day Mandatory Training session scheduled for Sunday, October 16, at 0900 H, the MIO building.

<u>Awards</u> - None.

Unfinished Business - None.

**Good and Welfare** - Alden Rothe moved to San Diego.

Motion to adjourn by AUX Wasserman; seconded by VFC Peda. Meeting adjourned at 2040 H.

Faithfully scribed and respectfully submitted,

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Stephen A. Sokol, FSO-SR
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NEXT MEETING: 1900 H, 20 October, 2016
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Meeting Agenda received.
VFC
No report received.
FSO-CS
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FSO-SR

September 15, 2016 Meeting Minutes typed and mailed.

The core duty of the FSO-SR is to maintain necessary records, to ensure continuity. Every FSO-SR inherits past records from past years of the Flotilla. This ad hoc archive is invaluable. 014-05-10 was officially established on September 9, 1966. Along with our sister flotillas 05-03 and 05-04, we welcome this 50th Anniversary as an opportunity to re-double our efforts and re-invigorate both our Flotilla and Division.

This occassion provides many opportunities, and collectively we must think out of the box. 05-10 can focus on being a "classroom flotilla", through Member Training and Public Education, as well as qualifying more VEs.

Also, at least a basic history of the Flotilla should be compiled, comprising both retrieving past documents and conducting past-Member interviews. At one point, before the 1980s, the under-strength Flotilla 05-05 was merged with the better-off 05-10, ON GOVERNORS ISLAND (before before that base closure in 1996, and 05-10s relocation to the Marine Inspection Office). Before our stewardship, the Flotilla enjoyed a newsletter, the "Charlie Noble" (the title refers to steamships, which filled the harbor).

Our unit is due both 1. a "50 years" blue-and-white streamer (to hang on the pole of our Flotilla's Auxiliary Ensign!), and 2. the "National Commodore's Achievement Award" certificate: these should be requested from DIRAUX soon. For this anniversary, much more can be accomplished.

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#### **FSO-FN**

No report received.

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