

Flotilla 12-04 Central Grand Strand

Meeting Minutes

10 December 2014

Opening:

The regular meeting of Flotilla 12-04 was called to order at 1900 on 10 December 2014 at Charlie's Studio Cafe by FC Thomas Timberlake.

Present:

Elected Officers: Thomas Timberlake FC and Oliver Leimbach VFC

Members: Dolorene Arruda, Tomas Bagdas, Joshua Gray, Elizabeth Hayes, Eric Hurlin, Lawrence Koslap, Jack Margolis, James Nelson, Lawrence Pinkowski, Everette Shaver, Vernon Shepard, and Vernon Simmons.

Guest: 8 Guests

Minutes:

Minutes for the November meeting will be approved at the January meeting.

Auxiliary Elected Officers Comments:

Flotilla Commander:

Thomas reported that the Flotilla had a very productive year. This included 80.5 hrs of Air Operations, 555.8 hrs of Surface Operations, 218 VE's and 628 Program Visitations. In addition the Flotilla has 2 Aircraft Operational Facilities, 4 Boat Facilities and 3 Coxswains.

Vice Flotilla Commander:

Oliver reported that the staff officer positions for 2015 will remain the same. In addition he thanked the 2014 staff officers for their hard work and is looking forward to working with them in 2015. A thank you was given to Tomas Bagdas and Betty Hayes for filling two of our vacancies.

District/Division Officer Comments:

Jim Nelson ADSO-AV reported that the Seventh District will be assisting the New Orleans Air Station (District 8) with methods to report and track their PPE (Personal Protection

Equipment). This was a request from the Active Duty Side based on the outstanding job that is being done by our District on these matters.

Staff Officer Reports

FSO-CM - Communications : Larry Koslap

No report.

FSO-CS - Communications : Vern Simmons

No Report.

FSO-FN - Finance : Bud Shepard

Bud reported an opening balance of \$2572.76 in the flotillas checking account.

Disbursement of \$19.50 to Division for dues.

Deposit of \$40.00 of membership dues.

Ending balance of \$2593.26

FSO-PA – Public Affairs : Bud Shepard

Bud reported that the Murrells Inlet Parade was a success and that Coastie was a hit. He also provided flyers for the upcoming BS&S class to all members to pass out. Additionally he reminded the members of the upcoming Surfside Beach Parade (Eric Hurlin is the lead) and the Myrtle Beach Boat Show in January. Billy Shaver stated that a thank you letter should be sent to the Garden City Wal-Mart for their \$100 donation for the Murrells Inlet Parade.

FSO-HR – Human Resources : Oliver Leimbach

Oliver reported that Chief Fox's application is scheduled to be submitted by the end of the week. In addition, Aaron Sanford's fingerprints need to be resubmitted.

FSO-NS – Navigation Services: Oliver Leimbach

Oliver reported that there was one official navigation patrols this past month. Tony, Jack and Oliver patrolled on 8 Dec 2014 covering the ICW from Highway 544 south to the Reserve Harbor Marina. 30 ATONs were verified, 3 ATON's had discrepancies and 1 Bridge had discrepancies.

FSO-MA – Materials : Tomas Bagdas

Materials for the BS&S class have been ordered.

FSO-MS – Marine Safety : Eric Hurlin

Eric submitted the following report. Six sites were tested for Sea Partners Environmental for the month of November.

FSO-PV – RBS Visitor Program : Eric Hurlin

Eric submitted the following report. Total Visits as of 12 December, 2014: 575

FSO-MT – Member Training : Tommy Timberlake

Tommy reported that Vernon Simmons passed his QE for Boat Crew and that Billy Shaver passed his QE for Coxswain. In addition Tomas Bagdas passed his recertification for Coxswain.

FSO-IS – Information Systems : Tommy Timberlake

Tommy requested that all reports should be submitted to him as soon as possible so that they can be recorded before he leaves for vacation.

FSO-OP – Operations : Jack Margolis

6 Nov 2014: Operational Training Mission for QE on Cappy with Kerry Williams Coxswain, and Billy Shaver Coxswain Qual, Vern Simmons Crew Qual, and Tomas Bagdas Coxswain re-qual; 6.5 hours

8 Dec 2014: Day/Night ATON Mission on Dolphin with Jack Margolis Coxswain, and Tony Presson, and Ollie Leimbach Crew to check ATONs from Socastee Bridge south to Reserve Harbor Marina; markers 26 to 71, and note discrepancies with signboards, buoys, and lights; 6 hours.

FSO-PE – Public Education : Jack Margolis

Initiated Boating Skills and Seamanship (BS&S) class to be conducted on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 1900 to 2100 scheduled to begin on 27 January 2015. Classes will be held at the Surfside Beach Firehouse, 2nd floor classroom where we meet for our Monthly Flotilla meetings. We will be using the Firehouse laptop. The class has been listed on the SCDNR

Boating Education Webpage (<http://www.register-ed.com/events/view/55190>) and the Coast Guard Auxiliary Public Education Calendars via the *Notice of Intent to Teach* Form 7023. Material order for 10 students has been initiated with Tomas Bagdas (FSO-MA) with potential to order more depending on advance registration. Both Buddy Shepard and Tomas Bagdas have been provided with the entire set of BS&S slides and the class schedule, and I will put the slides on the Surfside Beach Firehouse laptop. Please note that a BS&S class has not been taught by the Auxiliary in this area for 5 years. We will evaluate the success of this venture.

FSO-VE – Vessel Examinations : Betty Hayes

No report.

SO-VE. The flotilla has completed 19 VSE to date.

FSO-PB – Publications : Vacant

Old Business

None discussed.

New Business

None discussed

Awards:

Sustained Service Award (750 Hrs) - Vernon Simmons (1st award)

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Coxswain - Billy Shaver

Coxswain Re-Certification - Tomas Bagdas

Boat Crew - Vernon Simmons

Election as Flotilla Vice Commander - Oliver Leimbach

Election as Flotilla Commander – Thomas Timberlake

Membership Training:

Billy Shaver stated that he was going to Station Georgetown to help teach charting to two new active duty members.

Open Membership Remarks

None

Dates to Remember

13 Dec Surfside Beach Christmas Parade

9-11 January Myrtle Beach Boat Show

Motion to Adjourn

Jack Margolis made a motion to adjourn, James Nelson seconded the motion

Next Meeting

14 January 2015 Surfside Beach Fire Department

Minutes Submitted By

Oliver Leimbach VFC