

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY 070-12-04 LOCAL FORM FORM 114-7017F (01-10) REV.3	U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY RECORD OF FLOTILLA MEETING										
UNIT NUMBER	070-12-04		MEETING DATE			13 April 16		Meeting Time		1900	
UNIT NAME	Central Grand Strand										
MEETING PLACE	Surfside Beach Fire Station							MEETING TYPE		Member	
Member Status	AP	IQ	BQ	AX	AX2	RT				GUESTS	
Present	7		7	1	2					3	
Unit Officers Present	VFC Eric Hurlin										
FSO Officers Present	Jack Margolis (OP);Jim Nelson (FN);Pam Watts (SR);Vern Simmons (PV); Norm Fuller (MA); Jeanette Brown (PE,PB);Betty Hayes (VE);Tom Williamson (PA); Tommy Timberlake (IS).										
Members Present	Paul Ames, Lea Fuller, Contessa Caprici, Alma Lyerly, Dan Thompson, John Hartwright, Francesco Sorce.										
Guests Present	Bill Wyeth, Keith Reardon, Alan Husain (Flotilla 1201).										
COMMENCEMENT											
Called to Order	1900										
Pledge of Allegiance	Led by Norm Fuller										
Introduction of Guests	Keith Reardon is from NJ and plans to move to this area full time in May next year.										
Roll Call/Quorum											
Approval of Minutes	Tommy Timberlake made a motion to accept the March minutes. Jim Nelson seconded the motion. Members voted to accept the minutes.										
Financial Report	<p>Money coming in from dues and BS&S and other classes. City of Surfside Beach Fire Dept will be contributing funds at a later date. No expenses as of now.</p> <p>Jack made a motion to accept Financial Report, seconded by Jeanette. Members voted to accept report.</p>										
COAST GUARD REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS											
BM1 Caddell: A "Barge Bash" will be coming to Bird Island between the State lines in August. The Station is still waiting on the permit from Sector Charleston. The Station will probably be looking for one facility to help out on Saturday. More details to follow. This is basically a concert on a barge with several hundred boats.											
DISTRICT/DIVISION REPRESENTATIVE COMMENT											

FLOTILLA COMMANDER REPORT

1. Continue working on training and keep your instructors informed if you are going to miss scheduled instruction time. Check the Training Report to ensure that you are current in your tasks. Remember that all mandatory courses must be completed by the end of this year to remain current in your tasks.
2. Log your hours and submit your reports in a timely manner.
3. Get involved during NSBW.
4. Hot Weather AUX Operational Uniforms is authorized from 1 May 2016 to 1 Oct 2016. Check your Aux Manual for uniform items and the activities where the uniform is allowed. Remember all crew need the same uniform only during patrols and VSC.
5. The Division SO's are there to help where needed.
6. Establishment of a committee for the Life Jacket Loaner Program. Pam Watts and Lea Fuller will head up the committee.
7. Jack Margolis FSO-OP/R&S Officer and I will be attending the R&S Training Workshop at Station Charleston on 3 May.

VICE FLOTILLA COMMANDER REPORT

No report

STAFF OFFICER REPORTS

FSO-CM (Communications)	No report.
FSO-CS (Communication Services)	No report
FSO-DV (Diversity)	No report.
FSO-HR (Human Resources)	6 prospective members on call list. Two of the prospective members have been attending meetings.
FSO-IS (Information Services)	All reports have been entered. Confirmation has been sent to all members who sent in their reports. All members are urged to keep up to date on their hours. Only 15 out of 45 members are actively sending in reports. As of now, reports starting in January can still be submitted although 60 days is the official limit. The Coast Guard keeps track of Auxiliary hours. It is helpful in seeing how much money the Auxiliary saves the Coast Guard and also justifies donating expensive equipment to the Auxiliary.
FSO-MA (Materials)	10 BS&S books ordered for the current class. We have a good inventory of literature. If anyone needs anything, let Norm know. An inventory list including materials from 12-2 is available.
FSO-MS (Marine Safety)	SEA PARTNERS ENVIRONMENTAL: Six sites were tested for water quality. 16 sites to date.
FSO-MT (Member Training)	No report
FSO-NS	The required workshop for ATON verifiers that was scheduled for April has been

(Navigation Systems)	canceled. Last year there was a required number of reports for bridges and ATON that were needed to stay current. This requirement has been rescinded. Reports should still be submitted to the FSO-NS for review prior to sending them to the SO-NS and CG ANT team.
FSO-OP (Operations)	There were no on-the-water operations for 12-4 in March although a couple of our operational personnel crewed with 12-10.
FSO-PA (Public Affairs)	Called on four local TV stations (ABC, NBC, CBS and Fox) to publicize two upcoming ABS classes. We were able to arrange an interview on WMBF (NBC) for our FC Oliver Leimbach to publicize one of the classes. It aired on April 4 th . The other stations did air announcements of our ABS classes.
FSO-PE (Public Education) FSO-PB (Publications)	5 people took and passed the course given at Surfside Beach recently. A BS&S is currently being taught in Surfside Beach Fire Station. 3 people in Conway passed the ABS course. Wants to offer ABS course in Conway during June. Will hand out posters at the Safe Boating Week events advertising the classes. Jeanette asked for articles for the next newsletter. Pictures and information on the activity can be emailed to her. The newsletter goes to various places and lets people know what this flotilla is doing. The flotilla will have a display in the North Myrtle Beach Library soon on the Auxiliary and it's activities.
FSO-PV (RBS Visitor Prg)	48 visits were made this month by Vern Simmons 15, Tommy Timberlake 15, and Billy Shaver 18.
FSO-SR (Secretary/Records)	No report
FSO-VE (Vessel Examination)	25 VSC's completed for the first quarter of the year. Not everyone has turned in their VSC's. She was asked to estimate the number for this coming year and believes this flotilla can do 350. Last year the flotilla did 273 but with more VE's now, we should be able to accomplish the goal. The training has been slow due to weather, but as the weather improves the training will speed up. A letter was sent out to our VE's regarding the awards which will be given out.
OLD BUSINESS	
<p>Oliver and Jack are still working on the boat we inherited from 12-02. The engine is still not working and needs to be evaluated as to whether it can be repaired. Other than a few repairs, it could be used as a facility if the engine can be repaired. Money from 12-02 will pay for the work if the funds can be retrieved. Jeanette will let Ollie know where the funds are located. It was suggested that the boat could be used in parades if the engine is beyond repair and if funds can be found for storing it.</p> <p>It was noted that Charleston will do repairs as part of their training. Need to find out if Georgetown can also work on the engine as part of their training.</p>	
NEW BUSINESS	
NSBW committee reports that we need to get the VE's certified and then determine how many sites can be covered during Safe Boating Week. The sites can then be published in local newspaper to let public know where they can get their boats examined. We will need at least 2 people at each site so the committee is asking for volunteers.	
MEMBERSHIP TRAINING	

SWEAR IN NEW MEMBERS/STAFF OFFICERS/AWARDS

Pam Watts received her Boat Crew Certificate.

OPEN MEMBERSHIP REMARKS

Dates to Remember:

2016 USCG Auxiliary Boat Crew Member Training Academy started Mar 12th

Xterra Swim- April 24th.

BS&S Class Surfside Beach Fire Department 5 April to 19 May.

R&S Workshop May 3rd at Station Charleston.

Blessing of the Inlet – May 7th.

NSBW – May 21th-27th.

Military Appreciation Day – May 28th.

Bucksport Drag Boat Races – July 8th – 10th and August 12th -14th.

D-Train September 21st – 25th.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment Time

2000 hrs.

Next Meeting

11 May 2016

Location:

Surfside Beach Fire Station
810 First Avenue, North
Surfside Beach, SC 29575

pMinutes Submitted By

Pam Watts (FSO-SR)