

Division 17 Division Meeting Minutes  
September 12, 2015  
Flotilla 17-6 Building, Lee Wenner Park  
Cocoa, FL

**Attendees as listed on the attendance sheet:**

Participants: Jim Roche, CDR; John Holmes, VCDR; Maria Motes, SO-SR; Jack Miller, IPDCDR/SO-OP; Sharon Breece, SO-HR; Carl Motes, DCAPT-N; Jules Moquin, SO-PE; Dan McIntyre, FC-17-6 & SO-MT; James Parker, FC 17-11; Gary Gunter, SO-MS; John Kachenmeister, SO-PB; Kim Lucks, FC-17-9; Donna Miller, SO-FN/CS; Robert Triebell, VFC-17-2;

Meeting called to order by Commander Jim Roche at 10:00 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence took place

Quorum present – yes

**Introduction of Guests:** Mr. Charles Perry, Coast Guard Commander. C. Perry spoke for a few minutes and thanked the Division members for all the work and support.

- One of his focus is to ensure PPE is in place everywhere as required

**Immediate issues discussed by CDR Roche:**

Commander reminders:

- Rescue and Survival Systems (R&S) representative needs to be assigned from each Flotilla
  - New requirements and policy from CG on appropriate R & S gear, and what rescue supplies/devices should be worn with the life jacket
- Would like to have a meeting with this group the third week of October on a Wednesday
- Commander Roche asked FC's to email him the designated representative for RSS
- Commander reminded group to submit any members that are qualified for awards
- Reminder that Dues need to be paid
- Reminder that Division Elections will be held in October meeting
- CDR Roche spoke about the Life Jacket Zone stenciling program which will begin for the ramps with 17-6, then 17-2, 17-9, 17-10 and 17-11; outer square perimeter to be painted in designated yellow paint and letters in black
- Reminder that D7 train conference is this coming weekend beginning 9/17
  - Commander Perry indicated that all sectors and CG commanding officers will be at D7 Train meeting
  - Several seminars being held on Saturday and Sunday
- Night qualifications must be completed in order to be able to receive orders
  - crews requires that a QE or designated person should go out with crew for night patrols/certifications
  - Asked Jack Miller to compile a list of boat crews that need night hours OPS

- A change in the process for submitting orders; should enter all the names of the crew after orders are approved;
  - Currently when one requests orders there is a “glitch” on being able to enter crew
  - This is being worked on
- Reminder to FC’s to remind COAUX members that “NO WEAPONS” are allowed on board a facility
  - Only designated CG person is allowed to carry weapon

### **Flotilla Commanders Reports**

- 17-2 – report given by VFC Triebell. Refer to submitted report
- 17-6 – report given by FC McIntyre. Refer to submitted report to include the new initiative with the schools teaching ABS classes – 4 schools have been enlisted
  - In negotiations regarding 17-6 building. Agreement expires on September 18, 2015
  - Rockledge Police department, former Police department at Port, and VA center at Merritt Island are other options
- 17-9 – FC Lucks. Refer to submitted report. New VFC for this flotilla; issues with new member applications being rejected from Miami. Processing about 10 new members
- 17-11 – FC Parker. Refer to submitted report. Highlighted items included:
  - FC Parker and Carl Motes participated in a life jacket survey on Lake Conway
  - People are not wearing life jacket unless one is required to wear
  - Participated in Orlando Boat Show – worked 95 hours and saw around 300 people
  - During Erika hurricane – performed Emergency intake calls to survey flotilla members
  - Winter Park Police and Windermere Police –boating safety train on the lakes
  - Orlando offshore Angler’s club boating safety – Monday 9/14

### **STAFF OFFICERS report:**

- John Holmes commended 17-6 for their membership
- SO-FN/CS Miller
  - Finance report submitted
  - Website functioning
- SO-HR – Sharon Breece
  - Reminder of mandatory training to be completed by 12/31/15
    - Will not be able to hold any type of office or hold orders if this requirement not completed
- SO-MT – Dan McIntyre
  - Mandatory training
- SO-OP – Miller
  - Shared a letter from CG Station Canaveral regarding a SAR Mission of the previous TICO crash
  - New Flotilla 17-11 member that brings 2 new facilities

- New QE training sessions
- SO-PE – Jules Moquin
  - Gave Kudos to Dan McIntire regarding the school ABS program
  - Jules was asked to present at D7 meeting at the DSO-PE round table
- SO-MS – Gary Gunter
  - 2 major initiatives – a major KREP exercise for the PORT in March, 2016
  - Change of policy – Marine Safety
    - List needed if COAUX members are doing patrols
    - In order to be covered for Liability
    - Submitting calendar to Sector
- SO-PB – John K
  - 2 news letters submitted

**New Business:**

- Division change of watch, December 12 at Jimmy's
- DTrain – Reminder that D7 Train conference is coming up on September 17-20.
  - TCO class scheduled for Saturday and Sunday

**Announcements:**

- From Perry include in newsletters and reports the folks that support CG with radio support, gate guard, generator maintenance, facilities engineering.
  - AP status COAUX members could assist with these functions
- Appreciation comments from VCDR Holmes to SO-SR Maria Motes

**Awards:**

- Membership growth award presented to Dan McIntyre for 17-6 growth

With no other Division business to discuss a motion to adjourn was made by FC Parker and seconded by VCDR Holmes. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted:

***Maria Motes, SO/SR***