

Division 17 Division Meeting Minutes
May 2, 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/OP, Sharon Breece, SO-HR, Jim Nickles, FC-17-10; Mike Donahue, FC-17-2; Carl Motes, DCAPT-N, Jules Moquin, SO-PE, Fred Scholz, SO-PA, Dan McIntyre, FC-17-6 & SO-MT; James Parker, FC 17-11

Meeting called to order by Commander Jim Roche at 10:05 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence took place

Quorum present ó yes

Introduction of Guests: Mr. C. Von Zuehl, from Flotilla 0302 in Miami

Immediate issues discussed by CDR Roche:

Commander reminders:

- CDR Roche asked the Flotilla Commanders to address increase in dues from National which impact individual flotilla dues this month.
- CDR Roche reminded group about information and pictures posted on Social Media like face book. Pictures posted in uniforms, proper uniform must be represented. Comments must be appropriate. COAUX members must be reminded that they are representing the Coast Guard and image that is being represented.
- CG parking decals must be removed from vehicles
- National Safe Boating week: May 16 ó May 22, 2015
- May 15 ó òWear your life jacket to work dayö
- Boat ramp stencils have arrived ó CDR Roche will disperse for each flotilla
- AUXPAD National Program ó kayak program. CDR Roche needs information from each commander from their polling of the flotilla members regarding Interest in this program by end of this week 5/7. Information acquired to include:
 - o Level of experience, oceans, lakes
 - o Have they taken any professional courses
 - o D7 has not yet implemented
 - o Future for these kind of vessels to be used for patrols
 - o Certification will be available for these vessels

Flotilla Commanders Reports

- FC reports were given by the FCø present as follows:
 - 17-2 Flotilla :
 - FC Mike Donahue reported,
 - 204 hours of activity reported for March/April
 - May 7 Safe boating proclamation
 - May 12 Proclamation for Melbourne City Council week
 - 17-6 Flotilla :
 - FC Dan McIntyre provided report:
 - Participated in Boaterø exchange
 - Cocoa Village Craft festival participation with PA May 7, 8
 - 3,649 hours YTD for first trimester
 - 82 members YTD
 - 28 Graduates for ABS class
 - 630 underway hours
 - 185 hours of Patrol hours
 - 300 Marine Safety hours
 - VE workshop
 - 122 Marine dealer visits
 - 48% of members have been active and reported
 - First African American became new member of 17-6 Flotilla
 - Navigation training begins in June
 - Aux Chef food services also coming up in June
 - Dan McIntyre reviewed with group that there are 4 ways to complete Mandatory courses for CGAUX members
 - Dan McIntyre announced that on Friday 5/7/15 He and Lou will be on the local radio station to advertise National boating safety week and CGAUX in general
 - 17-10 Flotilla :
 - FC Jim Nickles received the corrected charter 2 weeks ago which allowed opening of bank account
 - 5 new Program visitors are qualified
 - MS Video being put together by Mark his FSO officer
 - New PVø being performed this month
 - 3 new members
 - 5/9/15 ó teaching 30 new Sea Cadets in Kissimmee
 - Other activities - Watch standing, teaching active duty on AUXMED, Aux chef
 - PA - Orlando Mayor veteranø Council meeting participation
 - Proclamation for Kissimmee
 - VEø third Saturday
 - 5/1 and 5/2 ó PA & VE event St. Cloud East Lake Toho

- Pre ó Safety boating week picnic Makinson Island, in Kissimmee on 4/25/15
- Color Guard participation for Change of Command at CG Station Canaveral 6/12
- Bahamian cruise August 15 ó supporting BASRA CG in Freeport
- 17-11 Flotilla :
 - FC Parker reported:
 - 67 members, 3 new member applications processed
 - 47% member participation
 - 3100 hours recorded through April
 - Working proclamation of City of Orlando, Orange County, Winter Park
 - City of Orlando during National Safe Boating Week has requested that a children's program be offered on that weekend with Orlando Public Libraries
 - West Marine requested that 2 weekends of this month ABS training
 - 5/15 will be holding at Wing House restaurant ó ÷wear life jacket dayö
 - PA ó Winter park police department contacted FC Parker to train their crew on boating safety. Working on finalizing those details
 - 5/9 ó ABS class at Bass pro shop ó 12 folks signed up to date
 - 7/18 ó TCT class ó 4 hours will be given by Nevin Lantry
 - Nevin Lantry and Richard Knapp supported QE
 - Assist Captain Motes for EOC events
 - FC Parker and VFC Bonaccorse providing a lot of hours of support to station Ponce Inlet
 - Richard Danner was selected as Auxiliarist of quarter for Diversity
 - Celso Perez flotilla member passed and Color Guard was provided at Funeral
 - FC Parker asked about PPE for new members and how to acquire ó
 - Captain Motes indicated that David Cawton, in Sector Jacksonville has extra PPE devices that could be acquired

STAFF OFFICERS report:

- SO-OP Miller
 - Reminder to Flotilla to vote on dues this month
 - TICO air show ó March; Thanks for the fine job and participation
 - Just completed the written version of the QE class at 17-6 facility
 - Off shore boat races ó May 16,17
 - Facility participation is still open
 - For Search and Rescue ready mode
 - Mission last weekend in Titusville area
 - Also supported on a SAR last month on a call for help for boat on fire
- SO-HR ó Sharon Breece
 - New form for enrollment posted as of yesterday 5/1/15
 - As of 6/1 new forms will only be accepted

- 12 new members so far for Division overall
 - 17-9 had 5 new members sign up ó which shows a comeback for them
- SO-MT ó Dan McIntyre
 - 6/6, 6/7 ó Aux Navigation class at 17-6 facility
 - 6/8 Aux chef
 - 7/12 ó 4 hour TCT class in 17-6 facility
 - QE training is targeted for September
- SO-PA ó Fred Scholz
 - Norm Moody reporter in Melbourne did article on Latinos in CGAUX participation
 - In attendance to AUX AIR workshop in Clearwater
- SO-PE ó Jules Moquin
 - PE activities 17-2 in March
 - PE activities 17-6
 - 17-10 and 17-11 working together for PE until enough certified instructors are available

New Business:

- Guest from Flotilla 07-03-02, Von Zuehl from Miami
- Just moved to Orlando and indicated he will be transferring to Orlando Flotilla and Division 17
- Spoke on America's Waterway Watch Program and the role of the Coast Guard Auxiliary with this program

Announcements:

Next meeting will be held on 7/11/15 at Flotilla 17-6 Cocoa building. (Change of date for this month because of the 4th of July weekend)

CDR Roche indicated that CG training vessel Eagle sent out request for Auxiliary Food Service Specialist needed for 4 months, Academy summer cruise.

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

Respectfully submitted:

Maria Motes,
SO/SR