

**US COAST GUARD AUXILLARY**

**FLOTILLA 091-20-11**

**ST. CLAIR SHORES UNIT**

**Flotilla Commander** – Rick Lane

**Vice Flotilla Commander** – Matt Larivee

13 March 2018

1. **Business Meeting: Call to Order by FC Rick Lane at 1900**

Present: Frederick Lane, Joseph Roskoski, Sean Cahill, Shari Raby, Matt Larivee, Dick Hayes, Robert Bailey, George Tzonev, Albena Tzoneva.

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**: The pledge of allegiance was led by Rick Lane.

A moment of silence observed for those Team USCG personnel that have passed the bar and currently serving.

**III. Introduction of Special Guests / Visitor:** BMCS Ruh (OIC USCG Station St. Clair Shores), Bob Burrell (Division Commander), James Plante (retired AUX / looking at joining 20-11), Louis George (perspective member).

**IV. Awards:** None.

**V. Approval of Previous Minutes:** Approval of previous March 2018 minutes moved by Robert Bailey, 2ndby Shri Raby – Passed

**VI. Announcements / Swear in New Members:**

* Rick Lane mentioned that the flotilla’s facility would be “uncovered” sometime in April with the 2018 launch date targeted for early May.
* BMCS Rue said that he was pleased at the support he was seeing from the flotilla in “Watch Standing” and looked forward to continued teamwork with flotilla 091-20-11.
* Bob Burrell announced that he was pleased in the growth and activity that he is seeing in the flotilla.

**VII. Flotilla Staff Officers (FSO) Reports:**

* **Finance** **FSO-FN – Joe Roskoski:** Joe reported that with the receipts from the recent class that was taught the e**nding Balance $898.37.** It was noted thatRick does have a receipt that needs to be turned in from the lunch expense for the PE class. This should amount to about $43. Motion to accept report as written – Robert Bailey, 2nd by Sheri Raby
* **Communications Services – Mike Wheeler:** No report.
* **Human Resources – Yani Warda:** Not present, but Rick Lane mentioned that he had spoken with Yani and Yani was working with the new members, processing their paperwork. Yani was also working with members that had not gotten out of AP status, as well as the ID card issues. We currently have 6 perspective new members (Gerard Caruso, Ashton Bruce, Damian Green, Louis George, Teresa Lehrman, James Plante (retired AUX member).
* **Informational Services – Yani Warda:** Not present, but Rick Lane noted that membership should continue to document hours on 7029 & 7030, and submit to Yani (FSO) and Joe Kennedy (Division).
* **Materials – Dick Hayes**: Dick reported that there was no activity in March.
* **Marine Safety – Matt Larivee:** Reported no activity.
* **Member Training – Rick Lane:**  52 hrs (AUX Air – Mike Wheeler and Sean Cahill). 18 hrs member training after the February flotilla meeting. 1 hr. (Rick Lane involved in Boat Crew 2018 workshop (Flotilla 18-11).

*During April we will be having additional training at Station Shores on Saturday (Rick Lane assisting, Matt Larivee attending as a student), Air AUX training involving Mike Wheeler and Sean Cahill, as well as membership training after the April Flotilla meeting. April training will be reported in 091-20-11 May Member Training report.*

* **Navigational Systems – Joe Roskoski:** No activity for March.
* **Operations – Joe Roskoski:** March 2018 Watchstanding = 12 Days (104.1 hrs - 7030.) Total 2018 Watchstanding hours = 39 Days (333.2) = 111.07 hrs/month.2018 Flotilla support goal = 1260 hrs / year (105hrs/month)

On-the-water patrol hrs.

Flotilla facility out of the water = 0 hrs.

2018 Flotilla on-the-water patrol goal = 230 hrs.

- Helo Ops Workshop – This Saturday (4/14/2018) at Air Station Detroit at 10:00 am.

- Assistance from the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary will be required to transport 8-10 people to the CGC Hollyhock the week of May 28.  Under fences will be deployed off Port Huron.  A contractor will bring a remotely operated vehicle to record the deployment while the CGC Hollyhock and a diver company installs the underwater sections.

- Division 18 is requesting support for the following events this upcoming season.

   - Ford Fireworks - June 25

  - Roar on the River - July 20 to 22

  - Hydrofest Gold Cup - August 25 to 26

* **Public Affairs – Robert Bailey:** No activity.
* **Publications – Joe Roskoski:** Not much activity in February**,** Joe will continue to update flotilla website.
* **Public Education – Sean Cahill:** Sean noted that on March 31st, 20-11 hosted an About Boating Safely course at STA St. Clair Shores for 11 students. FC Rick Lane, SO-PE Bill McDonald, DSO-PE Kyle Corcoran, and myself all taught various courses that covered topics such as aids to navigation, safely maneuvering and operating a boat, and how to enjoy the water safely. ME3 Walker also covered federal laws he enforces while him and the crews from the station are on the water patrolling. Most of the student were boat owners and wanted to learn more about how to boat safely. The entire course took about 8 hours to complete and happy to report every student passed the test and walked away with their Department of Natural Resources boating card that SO-PE McDonald prepared for them as he is a state-certified instructor. The class was a success and step in the right direction for 20-11 to put on public education courses in the St. Clair Shores area. Thank you again to Rick, Bill, and Kyle for all of their instruction and support for putting the course on.

In addition, another course is scheduled for May 19, 2018, at STA St. Clair Shores. We have two students signed up so far and will promote the course to the area for students to fill the course.

* **RBS Visitors Program – Leonard Fashoway:** Not present
* **Vessel Examination – Mike Wheeler: Not present.**

**VIII. Commander’s Report**

1. ***Flotilla Member Training.***

Over the next couple months, we plan on completing the AUX PAT training for 091-20-11 members that will be conducted after the monthly flotilla meeting. This training will be conducted at the Great Lakes Yacht Club. We have one flotilla member participating in the boat crew training (Matt Larivee), and Rick Lane is assisting in the boat crew training at the station. March member training numbers totaled 71 hrs. 1 hr. Rick Lane (Boat Crew 2018 Workshop taken at 091-18-11), 18 MT hrs from training conducted after March meeting, and 52 hrs reported from Mike Wheeler (AUX AIR training)

1. ***PE.***

We had a successful Boating Safely class conducted on March 31 at the USCG Station St. Clair Shores. The class was a sell-out, with all students passing the final exam. The flotilla has scheduled another Boating Safely Class, to be taught at Station St. Clair Shores on May 19, 2018. This will be taught during National Boating Safety Week.

1. ***091-20-91 Membership Growth Campaign.***

We have two potential new members. Both members have initiated membership applications during March / April.

1. ***Flotilla Support for Station Shores***

We continue to support the USCG Station St. Clair Shores. At this point we are focusing on Watchstanding support, however as the year progresses we will be afforded additional opportunity to support the Station. During the recent “Boating Safely” class taught at the station, ME3 Walker participated in the instruction in the “law enforcement” chapter of the course.

1. **Flotilla Goals**

For 2018 our goals and to-date results are as follows:

*OPS 2018 goal**- 1260 Watchstander hrs (105 hrs/month)*

*230 Operational on-the-water hrs*

**Flotilla results for Year to Date / April 1**

**Watchstander hrs = 39 days / 333.2 hrs (111.07 hrs/month avg.) note + 6.07 hrs/month avg. over goal.**

**Operational hrs = 0 hrs. Current Hard Water Season.**

MT 2018 goal - 250 flotilla member hrs of training (20.8 hrs/month avg.)

**MT hrs to date = 168 hrs. (56.0 hrs/month avg.); note: + 35.2 hrs / month avg.**

*Membership Growth – Grow the flotilla at least 15% - about 3 new members.*

**During January we had one new member (Jonathan Reese). In February we started the application of a 2nd new member (Ashton Bruce). In March we started the application paperwork on a 3rd new member (Gerard Caruso); note: on-track to meet or exceed goal.**

PE goal – Conduct at least 1 PE class during 2018 (note that there have been 0 PE classes in the last several years.

**PE Class scheduled for March 31, 2018 completed, and an additional class is scheduled for 5/19/2018; note: met and will exceed 2018 goal.**

**IX. Old Business**

Many Flotilla members do not have ID cards. R. Lane & Yani Warda to follow-up on this issue.

**X. New Business**

It was noted that we need to establish a committee to plan for the flotilla “Change of Watch”. The committee would address time and venue of the “Change of Watch” party / event.

**XI. Adjournment:**

 1950 made by motion – Robert Bailey, 2nd by Sheri Raby

**Next Meeting Date and Location:**

May 08 (Tuesday (19:00), 2018 (GLYC)

Fellowship prior to meeting (1730 or so) at Steve’s Back Room on Jefferson in St. Clair Shores

Membership Training after March. Flotilla meeting – 2011 Chicago to Mack mission and AUX PAT Chapters 2. 08 members (current members, new members with paperwork started, and AUX members from other flotillas) – 12 MT hrs.

