





RECORD OF FLOTILLA MEETING

Flotilla: 095-45-01 **DATE:** 28 January 2013 Unit Name: One MadisonMembers Present: BQ AXTIME: 1900LOCATION: Town of Westport Town Hall

Officers Present: DCAPT/ADSO-HR/IS, SO-IS, FSO-IS/MA Moffat, SO-FN, FSO-FN/PE Linder, J. Van Dinter, DCO M. Van Dinter, VFC, FSOMT/SR Butler, FSO-PA Bidinger, FSO-CS Flamer Other Members/Guests Present: Noltner, Erin Niles(MA2, USN, New member)

COMMUNICATIONS AND NOTES

- Boat/US Now lists USCG Aux PE courses on their website: http://www.boatus.com/Courseline/
- National recommending dues increase: Dues haven't been raised since 1994, motion died at NTRAIN, no dues increase at this time, audit currently being conducted, will be revisited at this year's NACON.
- AUXBUILD program- Inspired from the Hurricane Sandy reconstruction of damaged facilities (buildings), Will use expert overseers (Auxiliary contractors who have been carefully vetted) to supervise repairs and construction of Coast Guard facilities. This will save the government money. Motion passed at NTRAIN, but budget for program not passed.
- Lion's Club article about why some charitable organizations thrive and others struggle, based on a study conducted on their organization's chapters; may be helpful to our flotilla to study how we can improve our operations.
- Flotilla activity photos- Be sure we take pictures of the events we get involved in so we can send them up to DIRAUX, so we can "toot our horn". Should run them through our FSO-PA first to ensure appropriateness.
- EAA Air Venture volunteer opportunities- Think about helping out this year.

CS (Flamer)	None
FN (Linder)	None
IS (Moffat)	None
MA (Moffat)	Need to order more textbooks for ABS classes.
MT (Butler)	None
OP (Kiesel)	None
PA (Bidinger)	Asking to send an e mail to membership about contacting the FSO-PA whenever we have any activities, events planned. Bidinger can take photos at these events. Planning a Flotilla/Division newsletter. Photos need to be tagged (Bidinger can do this).
PE (Linder)	Contacted by Maple Bluff's recreation director Curt Erickson- want us to do an ABS class for members of the town. Considering doing this on 6 April, Linder will contact them.
SR (Butler)	None
PV (open)	None
HR (Moffat)	1 prospect interviewed (Niles), prospect attended last Boat Crew class. Have 2 more prospects from Edgerton to interview, they may go to Janesville flotilla. (M. Van Dinter) SECCEN needs all new members to completely fill out all paperwork to better ensure timely processing; any incomplete paperwork may result in member not being accepted into the Auxiliary.
VE (open)	None

REPORTS Updates from report, as discussed at meeting

MOTIONS

- Approve November minutes, as published- Flamer/Moffat
- Adjourn business meeting- J. Van Dinter/Flamer

OLD BUSINESS

- Fishing Expo and Canoecopia- Need to get word out to Flotilla membership to get volunteers for manning the booth.
- Paddle Sports Pamphlets- Order placed, should arrive soon.
- National Safe Boating Week- Bidinger adding names of more people to invite to related activities, U.S. Power Squadron among them (Flamer has contact with them).

NEW BUSINESS

- Stamm Retirement- Sent nice letter to FC Kiesel about her time with the Auxiliary. Considering recognizing her service at February Flotilla meeting or March Division meeting.
- Peterson is in the process of being disenrolled. Considering recognition of his service to the Auxiliary.
- Electricity at Canoecopia- Decided against buying the service; originally planned to use TV/DVD player at booth, experience proving that video not as helpful at getting visitors to booth.
- Paddle Sports Issues- Suggested a Member Training version of a Paddle Sports class to get Flotilla membership familiar with this genre of boating. Noltner suggested a full day, on the water class(can take up to 5-6 students) Discussed how we can better advertise classes to the public. Working with Wisconsin DNR on Paddle Sports classes, Noltner helping with developing a course curriculum. DNR still at early stages of developing a program. Class Venues- Dick's Sporting Goods has their loading dock area available for classes. Gander Mountain situation on hold until more is known about DNR's involvement in the Paddle Sports program.
- Von Rutenberg's \$25.00 Gift Certificate- Discussed what to do with it, suggested that we can raffle it off. More discussion about it later.
- Display Booth at Upcoming Events- Bidinger learned through training that ODUs were the only uniforms to be worn at booths(M. Van Dinter says that Trops are the proper uniform for booths. Consider getting a small kayak to display at our booth to appeal to the paddle sports enthusiasts(Bidinger will look into this further). Consider building a stand to display the different PFDs at our booth(Bidinger to work on this)

Business Adjourned: 2015

TRAINING PRESENTATION: Flotilla Training Forum- Discussed with membership about what mandatory training all are required to have, looking for input for training the membership would be interested in.

FUTURE PLANS/ SPECIAL EVENTS

Fishing Expo- 22-24 February Canoecopia- 8-10 March ABS Classes- Skipper Bud's 23 March Red Line Sports 20 April

AWARDS Membership Service: Hennington, Lovelace, Norby, Pierce Certificate of Appreciation- Peterson(for his service with the Flotilla), Stamm(for her service with the Flotilla and Division) Membership Certificate- Ausel Statz 35 Years of Service- Hennington Certificate of Award- Flotilla 45-01(for outstanding contribution to the growth of the Auxiliary)

Next Meeting: 25 February Time: 1900 Location: Westport Town Hall

Date Submitted: 29 January 2013

Signature of Person Submitting Report: Stephen W. Butler FSO-SR

FSO Reports added *after* approval of minutes for purpose of posting on website Jan 2013

CS (Flamer)	(Bidinger reporting) From previous discussions with Diann Kiesel, we agreed I would step down from FSO-CS. In reality, I was only involved in the beginning stages of our web site, from there, Diann had designed and built the entire site. By me stepping down, that would allow a potential new member to become involved with our web site.
FN	See Finance report.
(Linder) HR (Moffat)	
IS (Moffat)	
MA (Moffat)	
MT (Butler)	Planning member training for the year: looking at mandatory courses we need to teach. Consider a Paddle Sports course to get our membership more acquainted with this segment of the boating public. This month's member training will be a forum to gauge from the membership what kind of training to plan for this year.
OP (Kiesel)	 Will be collecting monthly schedules from coxswains from May through Sep to coordinate patrols. Need maintenance qualification checkrides: Flamer, Kiesel, J. Van Dinter, M. Van Dinter Need 2013 8-hr TCT: Flamer, Kiesel, Moffat, Pierce, Walker, and all crew trainees – Ausel, Jakubik, Niles, Rognrud, Statz (from Flotilla 08 - Doberstein, B. Stehling, D. Stehling) Pierce in REYR – needs TCT, then 1.2 U/W hrs as trainee before crewing
PA (Bidinger)	 1.) To date, Our Public Speaking Dates are: March 27th, 2013. A combined meeting and presentation with Kiwanis West and Kiwanis East. March 13th, 2013, Lions West. That original date is being rescheduled by Lions West, I'll keep all posted. I am looking for a partner on these speaking dates, for the Q & A portion of our presentation. 2.) I will be creating a Division 45, Quarterly Newsletter, with our first issue coming out this spring. It will be based on, the who, what, when, where, and why, of our 3 flotillas, 45-01, 45-08 and 45-09. Distribution will be to all Division 45 members. The writing style will be informal and entertaining and can be viewed by the general public, most likely, via web sites. 3.) Planning stages for Fishing Expo and Canoecopia are in place, watch-stander sign-up sheets have been distributed to our three Flotilla Commanders. 4.) Nat'l Safe Boating Week discussing to begin at this Flotilla meeting.
PE (Linder)	
PV (Open)	
SR (Butler)	No report.
VE (Open)	