

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY
Flotilla 170-02-03 Regular Meeting
Saturday, September 9, 2017, 9:30 a.m. Fisherman's Hall

VFC Nicole Clark presided over the meeting. FSO-HR Jill Wallace served as minute taker.

VFC Nicole Clark called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. and established that a quorum was present for purposes of holding flotilla elections. Gabriel Saravia led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Visiting today's meeting was Gilbert Saravia who is a prospective new member.

d. Announcements

1. Operations: FC Wes Hanna is in Whittier this weekend getting some time on the water so he can keep his boat crew qualification current. He plans on working with the ANT team this fall and winter to help us develop our operations program.

2. Operation Life Ring: A number of Auxiliarists from D17 have offered their services in the Hurricane Harvey rescue and recovery effort. Although no one from Alaska has been deployed to the affected area, donations are an effective way to help. The CG Aux Association (nonprofit org. that works on our behalf) has a contingency fund called "Operation Life Ring" designed to assist Auxiliarists and their families with recovery efforts following a disaster. 100% of donations directly support victims (no admin fees are taken out) and all contributions are tax deductible. Visit www.cgauxa.org/auxa/oplifering for more info on donating.

3. Alumni Updates: Drew Herman has moved to Washington and plans to get involved with the Port Angeles flotilla. Eduardo Vitorino, who transferred to Hawaii over the summer, has joined the Honolulu flotilla and will pursue the aviation program.

4. Dues are due. \$55/individual or \$100/couple. FSO-FN Barb Oatman will collect dues today; or they can be mailed to Barb. Dues need to be paid no later than September 30; those not paying dues will be disenrolled.

5. New Member Orientation will be held after the meeting today in Fisherman's Hall with a "make-up" session scheduled for tomorrow at 1 p.m. at the library.

6. Getting Involved: This will be a priority for the coming months. Several staff officer positions are open, including FSO-MA and FSO-MS. Also, remember to turn in your hours!

7. October meeting: Fisherman's Hall is unavailable for the October 14th meeting. Options include holding the meeting in Fisherman's Hall on October 7th or holding the meeting on October 14th in an alternate location, probably the KIBSD conference room. Those in attendance were amenable to either option. Nicole will make a decision and notify the membership well in advance of the October meeting.

e. Staff Reports

Communication Services - FSO-CS Darren Asuncion advised he received the minutes from the September meeting from FSO-SR Carlie Franz, but has been unable to upload them to the website because of the file size (the PDF with the minutes also contained the four pages of the training compendium Wes handed out at the meeting.) VFC Nicole Clark suggested the possibility of including a link to the online compendium rather than uploading the whole PDF; Darren was open to this.

Human Resources - FSO-HR Jill Wallace had nothing additional to report.

Information Services - FSO-IS Kalynn Irwin reminded everyone to turn in their hours; this can be as simple as texting, calling or emailing Kalynn with the necessary info (what you did, when you did it and how long it took.) Nicole advised that the online web form is an easy way to

submit hours. Jill requested Nicole email her a link to the form so she can try to access it on her tablet; Nicole will do so. Nicole requested members submit hours at least quarterly; monthly is great.

Member Training - FSO-MT Sam Chelmo has been in contact with DSO-MT Sue Lang and has info on new ways to get members through mandated training. Will be working with new members in the coming months.

Operations - FSO-OP Wes Hanna was absent; VFC Nicole Clark had nothing additional to report on Wes's behalf.

Public Affairs - FSO-PA Nicole Clark has been keeping the Facebook page active during a slow summer with "filler" material including shared content from other flotilla Facebook pages; described this as a strategy for sharing what other flotillas are doing (informal networking) and possibly gleaning an idea or two. She will also be working on revamping the display board over the fall and winter months.

Public Education - FSO-PE Lyle Refior will schedule an ABS class based on the availability of our new members; FSO-HR Jill Wallace will connect new members with Lyle.

Vessel Exams - FSO-VE Joe Spear advised all vessel examiners "active" in Kodiak are now out of REYR. We need more decals. VFC Nicole Clark advised she has ordered some quick reference cards to hand out during exams. Vessel examiners Nicole Clark, Darren Asuncion and Wes Hanna are interested in any exam opportunities that come up.

f. Major Accomplishments/Future Plans: VFC Nicole Clark advised those present to expect emails from Robert Alvarez (Aux liaison) about upcoming base activities. We can always use volunteers for these.

g. Finance Report: FSO-FN Barb Oatman reported the flotilla's checking account balance is \$498.66; savings account balance is \$796.11. Barb reimbursed Drew Herman for \$40.14 in Crab Fest booth expenses, and the flotilla just received a check from HSA-UWC (Unification Church) for the Ocean Challenge ABS class.

h. Committee Reports: FSO-CM Penny Boschee advised she enjoys being Coastie Coordinator but is unable to make the necessary phone calls during her work day. She advised having an assistant would be helpful. The assistant would be responsible for calling the schools and coordinating with the Coastie team to schedule presentations.

i. Old Business - none.

I. New Business

1. Flotilla Elections - FC & VFC

VFC Nicole Clark, as deputy presiding officer, called for nominations for the position of Flotilla Commander.

Penny Boschee nominated current VFC Nicole Clark for the position of Flotilla Commander; she accepted the nomination.

VFC Nicole Clark asked for other nominations.

Peggy Morris nominated Darren Asuncion for the position of Flotilla Commander; he respectfully declined the nomination.

VFC Nicole Clark asked for other nominations; having none, Nicole closed the floor for nominations for the position of Flotilla Commander without objection.

FSO-HR Jill Wallace, as acting secretary, distributed secret ballots to those in attendance for the position of Flotilla Commander. After all members voted, Jill collected the ballots and tabulated the results.

FSO-HR Jill Wallace announced the election of Nicole Clark as Flotilla Commander for 2018.

FC-elect Nicole Clark called for nominations for the position of Flotilla Vice Commander.

Penny Boschee nominated Wes Hanna for the position of Flotilla Vice Commander.

FC-elect Nicole Clark consulted with IPFC Drew Herman via phone to confirm the procedure for nominating an absent member; Drew advised the flotilla could still vote and the election would remain tentative pending Wes's acceptance of the position.

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m. New Member Oaths - none

n. Awards and Presentations - none

o. Member Comments: Penny is looking for winter storage for a 22' dory.

p. Adjournment: There being no further business, FC-elect Nicole Clark called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Lyle Refior moved to adjourn the meeting. There being no opposition, Nicole adjourned the meeting at 10:23 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

FC-elect Nicole Clark for Acting Secretary Jill Wallace