

USCG Auxiliary, Kodiak Flotilla
Regular Meeting
Saturday, November 12, 2016, 10:30 a.m.
Kodiak Public Library Multipurpose Room

Meeting called to order at 10:32 a.m. by Drew Herman.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Nicole Clark

Announcements:

There will be an ABS class Saturday 11/26 from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. at the Kodiak Public Library. Pre-registration is encouraged but not required.

Staff Officer Reports (note: the staff meeting for November was canceled):

Communication Services: Darren reported that he got his ALAC card working so he can assist the Coast Guard with maintaining their websites.

Diversity: Vito thanked those who helped with the toy giveaway and the welcome aboard fair. Upcoming events where help is needed include Winter Wonderland on 12/9 (time TBA) and Santa and Reindeer parade (on base, date/time TBA). The Alpine Hut has undergone recent maintenance. Vito requested assistance with a flue installation. The hut is ready for use, can be reserved on a donation basis.

Finance: Barb was absent. Nicole reminded members who have not paid dues yet to do so as they are now past due. We will begin disenrolling people this month.

Information Services: please see separate agenda item below

Materials: Jose was absent. Nicole advised new ABS materials have arrived and are in the storage room on base; Lyle will coordinate with Nicole to get them picked up prior to the ABS class in two weeks.

Member Training: please see separate agenda item below

Marine Safety/Environmental Protection: No report from Drew.

Operations: Wes was absent. Nicole reported his vessel has been approved for use as an operational facility and we hope to get out on the water by late spring.

Public Affairs: Nicole has been updating the Facebook page as events happen. Please send photos of whatever you do, as our Facebook posts are shared on a national level and it's great to let everyone know what we're doing.

Public Education: Lyle requested those who are interested in the upcoming ABS class to let him know so he can have an idea of who's coming.

Vessel Exams: Phil advised anyone who has not done the 5 minimum VEs to keep their qualification current, the deadline to get the exams entered in AUXDATA is December 31. Drew advised there are boats available to do exams on.

Change of Watch: Nicole advised that Change of Watch this year will be a fellowship dinner at the Old Powerhouse restaurant. There will be door prizes. Drew will be in charge of inviting base VIPs. Nicole will send out an email invite. Date tentatively set for January 14 at 6 p.m.

Information Services: Kalynn reported that of the flotillas in District 17, Kodiak has the lowest number of hours turned in, and we are currently at 36% of last year's total. Nicole reminded everyone that there are several ways to turn in your hours, including emailing your name, the activity and number of hours to Kalynn and she will enter them.

Drew shared that he and Nicole assisted with ceremonial taps at the Veterans Day service yesterday. There are Auxiliary musicians all over the U.S., and Drew successfully submitted a proposal for a new qualification (AUXMU) which was accepted by National.

Mandated Training: Jill reiterated the importance of getting Mandated Training done. She advised that the most efficient way (for everyone involved) to get assistance is to call/text/email her directly and set up a time. Jill advised her work schedule is very flexible, and she will more than likely be able to accommodate any time during the week with prior planning. Nicole showed Jill how to access the report of those who have completed each MT course, so she can then share that information with any member who requests it.

New Member Oath: Carlie Franz was sworn into the Auxiliary membership by VFC Nicole Clark.

Member Comments:

Vito was on the winning team for the Captain's Cup Pistol Shoot and hopes to get an Auxiliary team together for next year.

Carlie reported some interesting training she attended recently for her job, relating to communications during an emergency.

There being no further business or comment, Nicole moved to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned 11:05.