



Attendance: 21 Members, 1 Guest, 3 APs and MK3 Coyne.

Respectfully Submitted: FSO-SR Gladys Benshimol

**Call to order**-FC Costa 1905

**Pledge of Allegiance**-FSO-PV Ladrie

**Introduction of Visitors**- LT Metz thanked the Flotilla for recent augmentation support to MSD in ways "never done before", through use of the OpFac. He cited; FSO-MS Dehne, DCDR Moe, FSO-PE Grossi, and VCDR Spiller in particular, expressing appreciation for the time each contributed.

FSO-IS Manning introduced guest, Amy Murray who is interested in becoming Assistant Lighthouse Keeper for Boston Light as well as in Boat Crew training.

**Adoption of Minutes of previous meeting**- FSO-PV Ladrie moved to accept, FSO-VE Jamieson seconded. Motion carried, minutes were approved.

**Announcements, Additions to Agenda**- None

**Flotilla Staff Officer Reports**

**a. Additions or comments to Flotilla Staff Officer Reports**- None

**b. Upcoming Shows** – FSO-VE Jamieson:

- The Tall Ship visit to Portsmouth is scheduled for 23, 24, 25, 26 JULY. He needs volunteers to assist at the AUX Booth particularly for FRI 24<sup>th</sup> and SUN 26<sup>th</sup>. (No booth on Thursday). New and pending members are encouraged to participate. Tropical Blue or ODU Uniform is acceptable.
- Outreach has been made to host a VE Day at Wells Harbor in Maine. FSO-VE Jamieson is waiting for a reply and will post information, as it is forthcoming.
- FSO-OP Armstrong asked MK3 Coyne for update from the Station concerning AUX support needed for the Tall Ship event. VCDR Spiller said Chief Andreesen is interested in AUX Boats to support the event. More information will follow.
- DCDR Moe said Portland has requested shore-side assistance for the USCGC Eagle visit in Portland 18-21 July 2015.

**c. Public Education**- FSO-PE Grossi:

- 2 ABS classes were held in Jun. FSO-HR Marchi taught one class in Eliot and IPDCDR Raynor taught a second at York Harbor. Both were well attended.
- The advanced Navigation portion of ABS taught by SO-OP Hogan was completed.
- Fall will see a BS&S Class through York Adult Ed and Chart Reading at Wells Ogunquit Community School District.
- Help is needed to develop and teach a Kayak Safety class. Members who do not yet have Instructor qualifications may still teach as long as it is done under the supervision of qualified members. If interested in helping to further this important initiative, please contact FSO-PE Grossi.

**d. Finance Officer's report**- FSO-FN Wirth:

- Less than 50% of members (39/82) have paid dues, which are due the Division 02 JULY 2015.
- Disenrollment forms will be sent out 01 AUG via post and email notices will follow.
- Income during the past month has included PE, OpFac and dues.

**e. Member Training**- FSO-OP Heath:

- A request was made to purchase additional Boat Crew training manuals.
- FSO-PV Ladrie moved to approve; FSO-OP Armstrong seconded. Motion carried.

**f. Operations**- FSO-OP Armstrong:

- Coxswain's EPIRBs must be tested once a month and must be registered. This can be done online or via phone.
- Plans are in process to hold another 1 hour TCT for 3 members who are lacking. 2 members need the 4-hour TCT and are encouraged to contact MBR Bradbury as they may take the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of the Gold Side TCT, which she instructs.

**Old and New Business**

**a. Division News** – DCDR Moe;



- Plans are being made for a 10 OCT 2015 Member Training Day to be held from 0900-1500 at the Rusty Scupper in South Portland. Divisions 1 and 3 will also be included. Among opportunities will be information for new members and proctored exams. Please contact DCDR Moe regarding topics to consider. It is expected there will be 4-6 50-minute sessions. Lunch will be included.
- Contact FC Costa by 15 JULY to suggest topics and to confirm attendance.
- Outstanding Patrol data from coxswains must be in by 07 JULY.
- "Coastie, used for Public Affairs and promotions is currently at SNNE. Members can get training to become certified to operate "Coastie". Contact FC Costa if interested.
- Regarding the massive data breach which occurred earlier in the season; you will be contacted if authorities feel you may have been impacted. DCDR Moe can direct members to links, which provide further information.
- Sector Boston and Station Portsmouth Harbor will participate in an Aviation Training Day 11 JULY from 0800-1600. Members interested in Air Ops and Observers qualifications can begin training requirements.

**b. Swear in new members:** None

**c. Award Presentations-** FC Costa:

- VCDR Spiller- ICS 339
- FSO-HR Marchi- 6<sup>th</sup> Auxiliary Sustained Service Award
- MBR Catano- 4 Hour TCT
- SO-MA Hanson- Dedicated Service Award for 25 Years in the Auxiliary

**Comments by Auxiliary and other Coast Guard personnel:** MK3 Coyne said the Unit Apparel has arrived.

**For the Good of the Auxiliary-**

- FC Costa circulated a card to acknowledge the McHughs' recent loss of Susan's father.

**Closing Remarks, Adjourn business meeting:** Motion to adjourn was made by SO-OP Hogan and seconded by FSO-PE Grossi. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 1930.

**Next meeting 06 AUG 2015**