



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY  
**UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY**



## FLOTILLA 79 MEETING MINUTES

19FEB2017 SOUTH KINGSTON P.D.

1. Meeting called to order at 1902hrs: pledge of allegiance, moment of silence, quorum of 12 established, minutes from last meeting read and accepted.
2. FC Olsen advised of guests who were on their way: DCDR Jan Koleszar, VDCDR Marcus Mitchell ( who was to give a diversity presentation, and USCG Pt. Judith personnel to represent BM2 Kevin Grant who is on leave.  
No one from Station Pt. Judith attended. Jan's husband Jay Koleszar attended, introduced himself and was welcomed to our meeting.
3. Flotilla FC remarks: FC Olsen spoke of BQ 11 courses, mentioned pushing paddlecraft this year as well as member retention. Advised all of BM2 Grant's new shirt orders (but no one came with the order sheet) and mentioned Division 7's Goals which DCDR spoke on when she arrived.
4. VFC/Staff Officer Updates: No new news from any staff officer except Dave Johnson stating that the Guild does not have their schedule out yet. He will be holding classes there this Spring.
5. Division Updates: DCDR Koleszar explained the goals of the Division versus the Goals sent out by District. Mutual feeling from Division 7 Board and staff and the Division Commander was that District goals are unrealistic and unattainable, whereas ours are more realistic. She also reminded everyone about D-Train and the status of the Cape office now that the building damage was repaired and COMO Belmore was back in full work mode. She also presented two awards to FC Olsen and IPFC Ouderkirck. An award for IPDCDR Cunniff was given to FC Olsen to present to him at a later date as he was away. She also advised the Flotilla that she had appointed Sally Hanson as SO-FS (food service) a new position. She hopes to have a get together at some point in the summer where all certified FS folks from the entire division put on a pot luck, or barbeque in the interest of good fellowship.
6. FSO-FN Kit Griffith was absent hence no financial report.
7. FC Olsen mentioned the need for VE's, Instructors, and new members under the heading of Ongoing Business.
8. New Business: Jon Poppick advised that we have been invited to speak at the next Rotary Club dinner/meeting to promote the USCGAUX. This is scheduled for 26MAR2018. It will be determined soon who will attend. They have comped three meals for the attendees.



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9. FC Olsen presented the budget for 2018. There were two minor corrections brought to light by VFC Hanson. These changes were made, the budget was voted on and approved. Some members inquired as to the amount of our funds and how the total budget of \$7,520.47 would impact our coffers. FC Olsen advised membership that this amount would be approximately 35-40% of our present balance, but that income from the upcoming classes would cut the expense down dramatically. He advised all that presently we have between \$15K and \$17K in our account.
10. Good of the Auxiliary: VDCDR Marcus Mitchell arrived at approximately 1930hrs and showed us a video put out by the Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Coalition which was sensitive in nature and showed the importance of proper upbringing of male children so as to hopefully prevent instances of domestic violence, dating violence, and sexual assault. It was a very moving documentary.
11. Awards: as mentioned above – presented by DCDR Koleszar.
12. Motion to adjourn was made and seconded at 2050hrs.

Respectfully submitted from memory as our FSO-SR was not present and I did not take copious notes.

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