

**UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY  
FLOTILLA 79 MEETING MINUTES  
Monday October 15, 2018  
Westerly Yacht Club, 1 Watch Hill Road, Westerly, RI**

1. Meeting called to Order-1901 hours.  
Pledge of Allegiance  
Moment of Silence  
A quorum was present for this meeting

2. GUESTS INTRODUCED:

BM2 Kevin Grant, Richard and Louise Damon

3. FLOTILLA COMMANDER:

a )FC Olsen mentioned that a review of the past summer shows a decline of Flotilla service activity as compared to last year. It is hoped that this trend can be reversed.

b) He reminded the membership that the November meeting at SKPD will include elections administered by IPDCDR Cunniff, and at that meeting, Norman Choquet will be a guest speaker.

c) the Christmas Party is being planned by Tom McHugh and Jim Beardsley.

d) Pat Cunniff is very close to becoming a full fledged FSO-IS He is still collaborating with Mike Quinn.

4. VICE FLOTILLA COMMANDER AND STAFF OFFICERS

a) VFC Hanson provided FSO reports by reference to the VFC's "Monthly Staff Officer Report

Amendments to said report were solicited, but none were explicitly presented.

b) The VFC made an ardent plea for members to get their reports to her in time for her to forward them on time to the Division.

c) FSO-FN reported that F 79's dues have been paid in full to the Division

5. DIVISION UPDATES by IPDCDR Cunniff:

a) The Division would like the Flotilla's to report -"why"-for each member who drops out.

b) Next year the number of VSC stickers allotted to each Flotilla will equal the number used in 2018.

c) The Division Change of Command will be at the Newport Yacht Club on February 23, 2019.

6. ONGOING BUSINESS:

a) All members are requested to recruit new members.

7. NEW BUSINESS

The Election Committee has no volunteers for VFC. The request for volunteers was renewed.

8. AWARDS

a) Pat Cunniff received a certificate for successfully completing the requirements for FSO-IS

b) Joseph Livolsi was awarded an Operational Service Pin for duty at the tall Ships visit to Boston in Summer 2018.

c) Teresa Livolsi was awarded an Operational Service Pin for duty at the tall Ships visit to Boston in Summer 2018.

9. REMARKS FOR THE GOOD OF THE AUXILIARY

a) Joe McElroy expressed appreciation for all who helped with this years Vessel Examination Programs.

b) BM2 Grant announced that Coast Guard apparel will be available for sale this Fall.

8. MOTION TO ADJOURN was presented and passed without abstention at 1940.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ed Rudegear