

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



## **FLOTILLA 07-09 Meeting Minutes**

February 18, 2019

# Westerly Yacht Club, 1 Watch Hill Road, Westerly, RI 02891

### I. Call to order

Flotilla Commander Sally Hanson called meeting to order at 1900. Pledge of Allegiance Moment of Silence

### II. Roll call

Quorum Check confirmed; minimum of 11 members present (35% of 41 members), all members signed the sign-in sheet.

One guest was present, welcomed and introduced, Michael Brannigan. Michael grew up in Newport but lived in upstate NY with his wife. He is a retired college professor and has moved back to RI.

### III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Minutes from 1/21/19 Flotilla meeting were previously sent to members. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Kevin and seconded by Jim.

#### IV. Open issues

### A) FSO-FN REPORT:

(John): No new deposits or checks have been cleared. No changes from last month. The division has sufficient funds to operate.

B) DIVISION UPDATES: (Pat) Division Training has been cancelled for May 2019.

### A) VFC: FSO UPDATES

- a. **Vessel Exams:** (Joe) Nothing to report other than a list of supplies from Charlie is available. Sally will order supplies in his absence.
- b. ATON: (Frank) Not present to submit an update.
- c. **TRAINING:** (VFC Theresa) shared that all hours are up to date in the database.

- d. **OPERATIONS:** (VFC Theresa) VFC is available to take photographs of members for the purpose of updating the AUX ID's. See Theresa for this. She has sent out an email to all members.
- e. **PUBLIC AFFAIRS/COMMUNITY RELATIONS:** (John) This has been a quiet season for program visitations.
- f. **PUBLICATIONS:** (Louise) Newsletter schedule is now Jan/Feb, Mar/Apr, May, Jun, Jul, Aug, Sept/Oct, Nov/Dec. Wil be emailed, except for the few that prefer snail mail copy.
- g. **DIVERSITY:** (Louise) Diversity awareness is a priority of the USCG. Stay tuned for related activities at the Flotilla level. This meeting, Louise will present to the Flotilla members. Goal is to achieve the NACO Three Star Award for Excellence in Diversity.
- h. **MEMBER TRAINING:** (Rick). Louise presented for Rick as he was absent. Training is scheduled for Feb, Mar and Apr thus far. In addition, there have been changes to the AUX ICS Core Training. It is no longer called "Mandatory Training", replaced with "Core Training". ICS-100 and IS-700 are no longer part of the AUXCT packaged required for all Auxiliarists. However, they are still prerequisites for all elected positions, certain competencies and certain appointed positions. A list of these positions is available with Rick, some include: food service, vessel examiner, public affairs, instructor. In addition, the TCT (Team Coordination Training) and refresher are now required of boat crew coxswain and crewmembers, qualification examiner, watch-stander and others. See Rick for more information. Also, Sally will send an email to all flotilla members regarding this requirement. Ken shared that it is listed on the AUXLMS. Ken has taken this training and found it to work on Chrome. One can expect approx. 60-90 minutes to complete this training.
- PUBLIC EDUCTION: (Dave) Spring Public Education course will occur at Westerly Yacht Club. Course date is set or 3/23/2019. This will include boating safety class. There is no charge for members. See Sally to sign up.
- j. HR: (Joe) Nothing new to update.

#### **B) FC REMARKS**

- a. Food service at Point Judith Station will be underway soon. The requirement is to put in 12 hours as of January 1<sup>st</sup>.
- b. No liaison between us and PJ CG station. However Master Chief Beasley will be the contact person. IN addition, Jim Beardley said he received a letter from the Division and has been appointed liaison.

- c. Beverages offered to all, from Theresa this month.
- V. OLD BUSINESS: None
- VI. NEW BUSINESS: None

#### VII. ANNOUNCEMENT:

- A) Next Meeting will be held on March 18, 2019.
- VIII. AWARDS: Louise Damon was presented with a certificate, letter and pin for attaining membership in the AUX.
  - **IX. TRAINING:** Louise presented on Diversity. She reviewed the Criteria fior the NACO Three Star Award for Excellence in Diversity (goal for this year), District goals on, and Member Diversity Mission Readiness.

#### X. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Peter, seconded by Frank. Meeting adjourned at 1947 Minutes submitted by: Louise Damon (volunteered) Minutes approved by: FC Sally Hanson