



US Coast Guard Auxiliary – First District, Northern Region

**Flotilla 11-9 Martha's Vineyard**

**Minutes MONTHLY MEETING**

**20 April 2021 1900 hrs**

ZOOM Meeting

Civilian Attire



**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Moment of Silence for Those Who have Crossed the Bar**

**Members Present: Brien Hefler, Joe Berini, Glenn Deblase, Jake Davis, Chuck Cotnoir, David Halsey and Peter Grunthal (guest)**

**FC Comments:**

- The weather is finally changing and Spring is almost here! Anecdotal hotel, restaurant and traffic data point to an unbelievably busy season starting very early- now is the time to get training completed, uniforms squared away and start planning for the boating season.
- I had the pleasure of attending the Flotilla 11-02 Woods Hole meeting this week- in addition to a presentation format I'll be adopting, they had some excellent discussions and I am really looking forward to working with them this summer.

**New Business**

- Reminder to all Vessel Examiners- the new VE workshop must be completed and a self-attestation form submitted by June. Reviewed with members present and discussed how to access form.
- A Team Coordination Training (TCT) class will be offered in May by Daniel Farren and COMO Dennis DeGabriele.
- Public Education (PE) Classes- call for instructors and timetable discussion.
- Reminder to send Flotilla Commander your Covid-19 Assessment Forms once you are vaccinated.
- At the recommendation of Jeff Thomas, 11-02 passed a motion to use flotilla funds to purchase PPE kits (sanitizer, wipes, gloves and uniform masks) for each facility at a cost of \$60 per vessel- discussion and flotilla decided purchasing using funds not necessary.
- International Boating and Water Safety Summit being held virtually in May. Free to attend and some great classes- I hope several of us can attend and divvy up which programs we can attend: <https://www.ibwss.org/register/>

**FSO Reports**

- FSO-FN:

- FSO-MT
- FSO-HR
- FSO-PA Working on Press Releases for Recreational Boasting Safety Classes and Paddlecraft VEs.
- FSO-PV Inventory of supplies forthcoming.
- FSO-PE
- FSO-OP
- FSO-MS
- FSO-IS
- FSO-CM
- FSO-CS

**Next meeting – May 18th, 1900, Zoom.**