014-05-03 Flotilla Member Meeting 10/15/18 Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 1921 with 41 members in attendance.

FC Reports and Announcements:

Elections: Jeff Rooney DC, David Mooney VDC, Bill Bowen COMO for District, Mark Stone COS, Mike West D-Capt, Alex Malewski VNC, and Guss Formato DNC / AE and RBS Directorate.

• Upcoming Events:

November 3, 17, and 18th – TCO Course @ Harlem Yacht Club in City Island

November 4th – Volunteer support for the New York City Marathon

November 11th – Veterans Day Parade

November 19th – Flotilla Member Meeting

December 14th - LDA

January 27th – Change of Watch @ Sea Shore, City Island Note- Dress code is Bravo's or Coat and Tie

March 8th-March 10th - D-Train @ Guerney's in Newport, RI.

Flotilla Election:

Elections were held to vote in the new leadership for the 2019 FC and VFC. FSO-SR Bray distributed ballots to members. The Election Committee comprising of Carter, Bray, and Goldman counted each ballot and returned their findings to the FC. Sandro Sherrod and Stephen Harwood both ran for FC. Sherrod and Harwood gave a brief speech detailing their goals for the Flotilla if elected. Sherrod was announced the new FC by current FC Matsui. Bill Jefferson ran unopposed for the VFC position. Jefferson gave a brief speech detailing his goals for the Flotilla if elected. FC Matsui opened nominations to be suggested from the floor during both the FC and VFC election. No nominations were given. Jefferson was announced the new VFC by current FC Matsui. FC Matsui asked FSO-SR Bray to confirm Jefferson's election. Bray confirmed his nomination.

FSO Reports:

FSO-FS (Food Services) – Ongkeo

During the week of Thanksgiving, FS is preparing meals for the active duty and will provide training courses for members. A sign-up sheet will be emailed.

FSO-MS (Marine Safety) – Bill Jefferson

- 1. AUX-MEES PQS-My goal will be to bring at least 1-2 candidates from Div 5 into the MS Program this year. Michael Barth should be completing AUX-MSAM this MONTH. I am mentoring Tony Carter for AUX-MSAM at this time.
- 2. AUX-EU Assistant FacilIties Inspector. Sector is supporting Auxiliarists for this program. Interested parties must be AUX-MEES and/or AUX-MSAM as recommended prerequisite. I am pursuing this, and have attended 4 training visits with active duty, the next is August 13. Gene Yetter ADSO-MS is the MS liaison with SECNY.
- 3. AUX-EC Assistant Container Inspector. I participated in October MASFO at Port of Newark Cargo Terminal with SECNY, CBP, ATF, NJ STATE POLICE, and TSA. No violations were documented, 108 containers were opened and inspected. Sector continued to support Auxiliarists for this program. Interested parties must be AUX-MEES and/or AUX-MSAM as recommended prerequisite. Gene Yetter ADSO-MS is the MS liaison with SECNY.
- 4. AUX-LR Assistant Life raft Inspector. Sector is supporting this PQS. I participated on June 1, 2018 at Sea Safety, Secaucus, NJ with active duty, and DSO-MS Dave Porter, ADSO-MS Gene Yetter, Fitz Fitzpatrick 06-04, Bill Antoshkiw 10-13; Bill and I had our PQS signed off by the gold side, we will need another site. AUX-MEES and AUX-MSAM are recommended prerequisites. Next visit in Oct 2018 followed by oral boards with gold side to obtain the Qual. 5. Intrepid Space and Science Festival in September was attended by 05-11, 05-03 Bill Jefferson, Bert Ongkeo. Michael Barth 05-11 was the POC.

FSO-OP (Operations) – Bill Jefferson

- 1. MY SURFACE FACILITY- IS available for BOATCREW training to members once all of the shore-Side PQS are signed off. Repairs are completed.
- 2. Bill Jefferson was certified as Boat Crew Oct 10. Drew Wilkins 05-10 in process to attain Coxswain and is willing to train our members on my facility as well as the other listed Coxswains.
- 3. Boat Crew Sign off for FSO-OP and any others interested: Bill can now perform inport signoffs. 06-06 Paul Scoca and Kevin Lustyik Coxswains, and Crewmembers Gene Yetter, Elain Pealy, Barbara Schultz, Bill Logan, Adrien Davies all were kind enough to assist if getting me Boatcrew certified. Sandro is almost ready for his QE early next season. If you are interested please contact me. Upcoming swim test should be completed if interested in Boatcrew.
- 4. Vince to report on AirOps

FSO-IS (Information Services) – Bill Jefferson

1. All submitted 7029, 7030, 7046, 7038 Forms submitted to date are in AUXDATA. Please check AUXINFO to confirm your hours and missions are accounted for.

- 2. We must keep reinforcing submission of hours from all members!
- 3. AUXDATA has been granted funding for creation of an entirely new and updated system. Date of completion unknown.

AV Certification Program

1. I am certified as AV-PQS and would be glad to mentor any interested applicants to the NS program. Between Ralph Irizarry 05-04 and Rich Helms Facility, all Div 5 PATONS from the 2018 Priority list were completed. A few Div 6 PATONS were verified by Bill a Jefferson with Paul Scoca's 06-06 Facility.

AUXBUILD program

- 1. Any members with construction management, civil engineering or architectural backgrounds who may be interested in this new program should reach out to me.
- 2. Participation requires a PQS reviewed and signed off by an active duty CEU (Civil Engineering Unit).
- 2. With the encouragement and permission of COMO Vin Pica, I have been promoted this program to ADM Poulin, CAPT Tama, and currently to ADM Tiongson and directly to CAPT Pat Dugan commanding officer of the FDCC-Facilities and Design Construction Center. CAPT Dugan had become the Chief of the USCG Civil Engineering program in the and has indicated to COMO Vin and me that he thinks we can be of significant service to them. Stand by for future information.

National Staff Application

- 1. Bill J has applied for 2 positions in the V Directorate. More to follow.
- 2. Others interested in serving on National Staff are encouraged to check the National Help Wanted website regularly for listings.

FSO-CM (Communications) – Stephan Harwood

- This Saturday on 20OCT18 is the USCG Auxiliary 79th commencement radio field day. The times are from 1300×1730 hours aboard the USCG vessel Lilac at pier 25 on the Hudson river.
- Press releases have gone out both internally and public. Mary Habbit the P.O.C., for the ship, one of Mary's sister ships has expressed interest as well to become involved as well. Mary might be attending Monday night's meeting speak a few words about the Lilac.
- The American Amateur Radio league has contacted me for publication on this event.
- Frequencies and repeaters being used for that day will be given at the meeting.
- One other flottila has expressed interest as well, so they might send someone done.
- Volunteers; I need at least two members to help out. This will be a good experience for our TCOs since we're effectively standing communication watch on the Lilac's bridge. We need to bring a small amount of literature on what we do to hand out to the public.

• Finally, all are welcome with their families to come that day, the Lilac is closed for the season, but Mary has opened her up for our event.

FSO-PA (Public Affairs) – Zach Perkins

- Identified and put in place Assistant FSOs for PA and PB
- Support of Assistant FSOs has already contributed to increased social media content and outstanding promotion of upcoming Radio Day event.
- Distributed Radio Day press release and engaged ARRL, the national organization for amateur radio, for publicity support.
- Finished final draft of new issue of District publication Over The Bow, awaiting new Commodore approval for distribution.

FSO-PV (Program Visits) – Joy Scher 152 PV's to date.

FSO-VE (Vessel Exams) – Andrew Thurman 1,000 VE's for Division to date.

FSO-FN (Financial) – Chad Goldman

2019 Member Dues: The discounted amount for dues has now ended. The full amount of \$65 for members and \$25 for John Jay Detachment students must be paid by October 31st.

JJ AUP Detachment – Susan Pickman 20-25 potential new members Reschedule AuxLams to not interfere with D-Train schedule April 5-7th of AuxLams will remain the same, rescheduling Part 1 of two-part course

Old Business:

Reminder to pay dues on or before October 31st.

New Risk Management and GAR training required for Surface, AuxAir, Comms, MS, and FS: online training.

Swearing-In, Awards, and Recognition:

Membership Service Award – Moshe Cohen for 5 years of service Certificate of Membership – Lipa Stauber Certificate of Advancement VE – Jose Colon and Zach Perkins Century Club Award – Tony Carter, Bill Jefferson, Andrew Thurman

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 2020.