



# U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary

## Flotilla 65

### USCG Auxiliary, Flotilla 65 Agenda Monthly Business Meeting

Date: Tuesday, 3 April 2012  
Time: 19:30  
Location: [Elks Lodge](#), 6304 South West 78<sup>th</sup> Street, South Miami, Florida 33143-4928.

- I. Call to Order: FC Anthony Lapicola
- II. Roll Call: sign-in sheet circulated [see attachment]
- III. Presentation of colors, pledge of allegiance: all.
- IV. Inspirational message: FC Anthony Lapicola.
- V. Business meeting, FC Anthony Lapicola
  - A. Call for additional agenda items—[members wishing to have items discussed, must submit for addition to the agenda].
  - B. Guest introductions: Ken Robertson and Miguel Fullanna who will be seeking a transfer to our Flotilla 65 from Flotilla 63.
  - C. Approval of meeting minutes: amendments noted by Alfredo Nardi and Elena Cohan by email prior to the meeting—spelling as to a guest member's name, spelling as to facility, *Daydream*; correction as to the appropriations request—amendments to be incorporated; subject to these amendments, the minutes were moved for approval by Alfredo Nardi, seconded by Robert Meyers. Approved by acclimation.
  - D. Member welfare: Shelly Dobson was called and reported he was fine, anxious to return to the Flotilla, and desirous to be recertified as a coxswain. Mr Hopps reported he was fine despite his arm fracture. Dominic Romeo was twice hospitalized and was at home—a get well card will be circulated.
  - E. Division meeting report, by FC Anthony Lapicola: No March Division meeting.
- VI. Reports, VFC Abelardo Lopez de Queralta calls for FSO reports:
  - Committee Reports—none.
  - Staff Officer Reports
    - A. FSO-FN Robert Meyers—*see* attached financial report. Income for this month grew due to a positive adjustment due to a prior problem with Regents Bank.
    - B. FSO-CM Frank Sullivan—no report.
    - C. FSO-IS Frank Sullivan—most Auxdata has been updated, please capture your hours on a regular basis. This can be done by email, regular mail, fax, etc.
    - D. FSO-HR Alfredo Nardi—we have 10 prospective members, one opted not to pursue Flotilla activities; 2 are currently in processing and hopefully they will get member numbers soon. As a result of Alfredo's work, this

- Flotilla will get an award for membership growth. Alfredo gave credit to other members for bringing in prospective members for processing.
- E. FSO-MA Ian MacBaradit, absent. No report.
- F. FSO-MS James Guilmartin, absent. No report.
- G. FSO-MT Christopher Cohan—Triannuals QE for crew and coxswains recertification is scheduled for Matheson on 14 April 2012 @ 1000. On 21 April 2012, there will be an initial QE, time TBD, at Matheson. Training is not hopeful due to the Easter observances. There is an ICS 210 available on 21 April 2012 which is open to coxswains, air ops, and trident. There may be a coxswain workshop on 12 April 2012, at the Elk's Lodge, will be given by Tom Walker and Armando Framil. It was not certain as to whether this was a mandatory workshop.
- H. FSO-MV Fred Jaca—anyone interested, please advise. Not doing as many as he had done in the past. There is a course and an exam, maintaining the 8 necessary visits is not difficult.
- I. FSO-NS Enrique Ventura, no report.
- J. FSO-OP Eric Jones—noted the lack of response from facility owners. Coxswains are needed. If facilities or coxswains become available, please advise. *Sabot* is available Saturday or Sunday, but needs a coxswain for the 21<sup>st</sup> or 22<sup>nd</sup> of April 2012. *Howdy* is also available.
- K. FSO-PA Bob Hopps—no report. Our Flotilla is not doing anything for the ftl boat show. Baynanza cleanup is coming up the weekend of 21 April 2012, visit [www.miamidade.gov/derm](http://www.miamidade.gov/derm) to sign up for various locations.
- L. FSO-PE Fred Jaca—next BS&S class starts on 7 May 2012 at the Elk's Lodge, Mondays and Thursdays. At this time, there are only 5 persons registered for the class. The last class at UM was small due to a mix-up. There may be another session at UM due to an in-coming class later in the year. Youth Boating Safety Course addressed by Elena Cohan has a robust registration of over 50 youths. Assistance needed, course set for 19 May 2012 at the Elk's Lodge starting at 08:30 until 13:30.
- M. FSO-SR María T. Armas—no report.
- N. FSO-VE Clifford Harrison, absent. Report by Lapicola. Clifford is attending to his mother who is unwell. VEs were done on Saturday, 1 April 2012. David Neal was certified as a new VE. We have 4 active VEs out of over 60 members. So far, we have done 32 VEs. The next VE date is set for 7 April 2012 at BlackPoint Marina at 10:00. Clifford has expressed that he no longer wants to be FSO-

VE to attend to his mother.  
The Flotilla needs a new FSO-VE, Scott Blumenthal volunteered, David Neal volunteered as he is already certified. New FSO-VE is David Neal.

- O. FSO-AV Steve Cruz, absent.  
No report. Steve Cruz

VII. Old Business—

- Shelly Dobson was addressed and encouraged to take up his Flotilla activities.
- National Safe Boating Week addressed by Elena Cohan. On Sunday 20 May 2012, there will be a safety booth at Black Point Marina and assistance was requested for VEs and to hand out literature and encourage people to visit the booth. Assistance also requested to fill the ziplock bags with items for distribution at the booth. Materials will be brought to the next meeting for members to fill the ziplock bags.
- New banner for safety events displayed.
- Money approved by the members will go to [see email].

VIII. New Business

The virtues of Boat U.S. and its corresponding towing service extolled.

Comments from the Floor

Awards—Scheduled to receive awards are: Scholz—for completing Navigation Rules and 2<sup>nd</sup> sustained Auxiliary service award; Lapicola—3<sup>rd</sup> sustained Auxiliary service award for valued service; Christopher Cohan—8<sup>th</sup> sustained Auxiliary service award for valued service; Meyers—4<sup>th</sup> sustained Auxiliary service award for valued service; David Neal—given certificate for his VE achievement.

Meeting adjourned.

Setting of date for next business meeting: 1 May 2012.

however, was given an award as he just completed his first pilot check ride. He has now been recertified.

- P. FSO-PB Enrique Ventura, no report.  
Q. FSO-CS—Vacant