



U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary

Flotilla 65

USCG Auxiliary, Flotilla 65 Agenda Monthly Business Meeting

Date: Wednesday, 4 December 2012
Time: 19:30
Location: [Elks Lodge](#), 6304 South West 78th Street, South Miami, Florida 33143-4928.

- I. Call to Order: FC Anthony Lapicola called the meeting to order at 19:30
- II. Roll Call: sign-in sheet circulated
- III. Presentation of colors, pledge of allegiance: Anthony Lapicola
- IV. Inspirational message:
- V. Business meeting, FC Anthony Lapicola
 - A. Call for additional agenda items: none
 - B. Guest introductions: Carol Moppert, who is being processed.
 - C. Approval of meeting minutes: November 2012 minutes provided for member review via email and posted prior to meeting. Alfredo Nardi moved to approve the minutes, James Guilmartin and Bob Hopps seconded; approved by acclimation
 - D. Member welfare: Mandy Framil's Mother is hospitalized in ICU at Mt. Sinai; Steve Miller is not doing well, but is okay; Patty Miller is doing okay under the circumstances and their son had a terrible car accident.
 - E. No Division report as there was no Division meeting for November 2012; next Division meeting is 13 December 2012.
- VI. Reports, VFC Abelardo Lopez de Queralta calls for FSO reports:
Committee Reports:
COW Meeting—developments of the location and date to be discussed—change of location from Sabal Chase to the Elks Lodge and a new date of 19 January 2013, the time TBD, which coincides with our patrol weekend. Reasons for the move: First, Sabal Chase club is under re-construction; second, Sabal Chase wanted a charcoal grill, which our Flotilla did not have; third, the grill was quite a distance from the dining room; fourth, alcohol was not available. The cost is \$25 per person. Make payments to Bob Meyers. Anthony Lapicola will send out an email to see who will be attending to get a count.

Pizza order was taken and resolved for Fellowship purposes.

Staff Officer Reports

- A. FSO-FN Robert Meyers—FN report read to the membership; please refer to the FN report, which is uploaded on our website and circulated by e-mail. There are two persons who have not yet made their 2012 dues payment; one person has financial difficulties, but will pay; one other person said she would pay, but has not yet done so—that person will be called and if she fails to pay, then she will be disenrolled. COW \$25

meeting payments are being accepted. [As an aside, articles of clothing were available to anyone interested in them as donated by Steve Miller.]

- B. FSO-CM Frank Sullivan—no report
- C. FSO-CS María T. Armas—no report
- D. FSO-HR Alfredo Nardi—the year-end report for HR. We had 18 prospective members, 8 of whom were processed, 7 have joined, one is currently processing. Total expenses for processing was \$32.71.
- E. FSO-MA Ian MacBaradit—all materials requested were distributed; 2013 decals were received; Elena Cohan was working on the State regulation booklets from Fish & Wildlife.
- F. FSO-MS James Guilmartin—West Marine at Pinecrest is waiting for a MV. No report.
- G. FSO-MT Christopher Cohan—thanks to Scott and everyone who has helped out during the year. Gary Ellis has a training session planned for 8 December 2012.
- H. FSO-MV Scott Blumenthal—working with Ian and Elena to get materials. He is working with West Marine [Bird Road and Sunniland locations on Wednesdays] which wants our participation such as VSCs and short safety courses.
- I. FSO-IS Frank Sullivan—everything is in that was submitted. The deadline is

for submission is 6 December 2012. Anthony Lapicola had a list of persons who needed underway hours, but Frank Sullivan's list did not agree with the notices that went out. The hours can be accomplished during our last patrol weekend of the year.

- J. FSO-OP Eric Jones—Anthony Lapicola and Eric Jones traded patrols. Persons needing underway hours should contact Eric Jones. Anthony Lapicola—if you have a facility and it hasn't been used during the year, it may not be renewed for the following year. Eric sent out emails to facility owners, and got a poor response.
- K. FSO-PA Bob Hopps—Weather Channel will feature the rescue of *HMS Bounty*. Friday is Pearl Harbor Day. The weekend of 14-15 February 2013 is the annual Boat Show.
- L. FSO-PE Fred Jaca—PE classes are done for the year. Elena Cohan is setting class dates for 2013.
- M. FSO-SR María T. Armas—no report. This office will be vacated at the start of the year. Anthony Lapicola needs a secretary, Kent Irvin can not do it due to lack of time. Please consider volunteering.
- N. FSO-VE David Neal—Anthony Lapicola announces we need more VSCs. Very slow weekend at Black Point Park as there was poor

- weather. 2013 decals are available.
- O. FSO-AV Steve Cruz—not present.
 - P. FSO-PB Enrique Ventura—not present. Aberlardo Lopez

de Queralta gave the report: *The Prop* will be published soon, please submit articles by 5 December 2012 if you want it included.

VII. Old Business: none.

VIII. New Business:

On 6 December 2012, the Division year-end party will be held at Station Miami Beach at 19:30, which is free. There will be a cash bar and the attire will be casual.

The Division COW will be held 13 January 2013, \$35 per person.

26 January 2013 will be the Lincoln Marti Boy Scout event.

Comments from the Floor:

Boating accidents from Pompano Beach and Biscayne Bay were discussed by James Guilmartin; other accidents discussed by the membership and the importance of VSCs and BS&S.

Fred Jaca thanked Jim and John for helping out with the Thanksgiving event at the Elks Lodge.

Awards—Recipients were: David Neal—Certificate of Completion—Communications, Navigation Rules 70, and Operations Policy Exam; María Armas—for APC completion; Unit Team Meritorious Award for National Safe Boating Week—citation read aloud (20 members received the citation: Chris Cohan, Elena Cohan, Gary Ellis, Hanna Ellis, Bob Hopps, Cliff Harrison, Bob Meyers, Jim Scholz, Enrique Ventura, Fred Jaca, Mandy Framil, James Guilmartin, Anthony Lapicola, Aberlardo Lopez de Queralta, David Neal, Mel Sandburg, Frank Sullivan, Daniel Berger, Scott Blumenthal, Norberto Menendez), Bob Meyers—Member Service Award for 10 years of service; Norberto Menendez—Certificate of Appreciation; and, James Guilmartin—Membership Service Award for 5 years of service.

New Members Sworn: Juan Piñeros

Adjournment: moved by Roy Hellman; seconded by Bob Hopps; approved by acclimation. Meeting adjourned at 20:30.

Setting of date for next business meeting: 19 January 2013