



U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary

Flotilla 65

USCG Auxiliary, Flotilla 65 Agenda Monthly Business Meeting

Date: Tuesday, 10 July 2012
Time: 19:38
Location: [Elks Lodge](#), 6304 South West 78th Street, South Miami, Florida 33143-4928.

- I. Call to Order: FC Anthony Lapicola
- II. Roll Call: sign-in sheet circulated
- III. Presentation of colors, pledge of allegiance:
- IV. Inspirational message:
- V. Business meeting, FC Anthony Lapicola
 - A. Call for additional agenda items: none
 - B. Guest introductions: FSO-HR Alfredo Nardi introduced two prospective members, Frantz Rocourt and Juan Ignacio Piñeros, Member Scott Blumenthal referred Mr. Piñeros; transferee Miguel Fullana introduced by FC Anthony Lapicola.
 - C. Approval of meeting minutes: June 2012 minutes provided for member review via email and posted prior to meeting. Motion by Alfredo Nardi, Henry seconded. Minutes approved by acclamation.
 - D. Member welfare: Shelly Dobkin, Joel Aberbach will provide a photo of Shelly Dobkin and his boat which will be framed by the Flotilla to be hung in the Scout Hut.
 - E. Division meeting report, by FC Anthony Lapicola: none held in June 2012. For July 2012, they will discuss flotilla goals. One of our goals was to increase Vessel Examinations, while we have VEs, we do not have enough active VEs. Also, DIRAUX is backlogged and is not timely updating data so the vessel examinations count is not necessarily accurate. Another goal was to increase vessels, we have two done, Eagle Eye and Sunrunner, with one more on the way—vessel name. The final goal was to increase the number of BQs. Our Flotilla is moving along toward fulfilling its goals.
- VI. Reports, VFC Abelardo Lopez de Queralta calls for FSO reports:
 - Committee Reports
 - Staff Officer Reports
 - A. FSO-FN Robert Meyers—see for uploading the June FN report. announcements. Please
 - B. FSO-CM Frank Sullivan— not present. remember to include in your message that you are
 - C. FSO-CS María T. Armas— our website is now active and visible to the public. If we have announcements, we can individually do them, or please email directly to me authorizing your email for public view.
 - D. FSO-HR Alfredo Nardi— welcomes Oliver Samy who has been approved as of 5 July 2012 and has his

- member number and has started with the Boat Crew program.
- E. FSO-MA Ian MacBaradit—no report.
- F. FSO-MS James Guilmartin—no report [given by Aberlardo Lopez de Queralta]
- G. FSO-MT Christopher Cohan—TCT completed for 12 members. 2 new crew members and 1 new coxswain added.
- H. FSO-MV Fred Jaca—if anyone is interested in doing this duty, please advise.
- I. FSO-IS Frank Sullivan—not present. Anthony Lapicola asks that 7029 or 7030 be submitted to him for uploading. Please send by email.
- J. FSO-OP Eric Jones—absent. report by Aberlardo Lopez de Queralta—*Eagle Eye*, and
- K. FSO-PA Bob Hopps—absent, no report
- L. FSO-PE Fred Jaca—the next BS&S starts on 6 August 2012. If you are interested in instruction, please advise. Please get the word out to the public to increase attendance. New members reminded to attend the next session.
- M. FSO-SR María T. Armas—no report
- N. FSO-VE David Neal—last weekend at Black Point, they got 12-15 vessels checked and there will be more checks on 21 July 2012 in Hialeah.
- O. FSO-AV Steve Cruz—absent
- P. FSO-PB Enrique Ventura—absent, but the *Prop* will be available soon.
- VII. Old Business: June 2012, BSS class graduated 17 persons. Vessel examinations were done on 2 June 2012. 16-17 June there were patrols. 30 June 2012 there was a display at West Marine which resulted in many questions from the employees. Many booklets left for the West Marine employees to hand out to the public. 6 June 2012 was the picnic which went well.
- VIII. New Business: Elena Cohan will be checking into a weekend in September at Stiltsville, there will be an attempt to stay overnight. On 28 July 2012, there will be mini-lobster season, there has been a request for volunteers for that weekend. FedEx/Kinkos Catalogue report by Elena Cohan: Flotillas can order copies of items which are now provided by CD or DVD. You can only order items within the catalogue for printing at the nearest FedEx/Kinkos location to wherever you chose to have it printed. Members can choose to go online and order a copy of something like the Manual. Elena Cohan can provide step by step instructions for how to do this. Do not order items expecting the Flotilla to pay—this service is for our own personal usage. These orders will be tax free, but we had to agree not to make any profit on a resale. Bob Meyers directs comments to the BSS instructors who noted during a visit to West Marine that these folks sell the 1151 chart for \$12.99 and the parallel rulers for \$9.99. We only beat them on the 4” divider. At this time, West Marine saves about \$5.00 over what the Flotilla charges. The Westchester West Marine will give you a 20% discount on anything which is not on sale, reduced, or an electronics product.

Comments from the Floor: none.

Awards—The following members received awards:

Ian MacBaradit—certificate of appreciation *Trade Winds* Exercise; Scott Blumenthal—certificate designating him a Boat Crew member, certificate for completing instructor development course; David Neal—certificate designating him a Boat Crew member; James Scholz—certificate designating him a Coxswain; Stan Flanders—service award for 10 years of valued service; Roy Hellman—service award for 10 years of valued service; Bob Meyers—certificate for completion of navigation rules; Anthony Lapicola—service award for 5 years of valued service, performance award for public education; Mel Sandberg—performance award for Public Education; Aberlardo Lopez de Queralta—performance award for Public Education; Elena Cohan—performance award for public education.

New Member Introduction: Miguel Fullana—transfer from Flotilla 6-3.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Gary Ellis, seconded by Elena Cohan, approved by acclimation. Meeting adjourned at 20:18.

Setting of date for next business meeting: 7 August 2012.