

U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary

Flotilla 65



USCG Auxiliary, Flotilla 65 Agenda Monthly Business Meeting

Date: Tuesday, 2 July 2013
Time: 19:30 hours
Location: [Elks Lodge](#), 6304 South West 78th Street, South Miami, Florida 33143-4928.

- I. Call to Order: FC Anthony Lapicola at 1935
- II. Roll Call: sign-in sheet to be circulated
- III. Presentation of colors, pledge of allegiance: alp
- IV. Inspirational message: moment of silence
- V. Business meeting, FC Anthony Lapicola
 - A. Call for additional agenda items, none
 - B. Guest introductions: Alfredo Nardi introduced Jennifer Valladares, Juan Vitoria, referred by Scott Blumenthal, Oliver Johnson referred by Patrick Powell, Cameron Folsom referred by Bob Myers. Fred Jaca introduced his brother, Jerry Jones, but not *that* Jerry Jones.
 - C. Approval of the meeting minutes, moved by Alfredo Nardi, seconded by Bob Hopps, approved by acclimation.
 - D. Member welfare: Anthony Lapicola was hospitalized for what turned out to be a minor event. Fred Jaca reported that an elder member, Dominic Romeo, came by the Elks Lodge and he was quite active. Armas reported signing up for a triathlon.
 - E. Division meeting report—Anthony Lapicola read a letter from Lt. Mike Cortese as to his expectations during his time as commander. Senior chief Chris Schwalm will be an active liaison with the auxiliary.

Any instances of Sexual harassment must be reported.

Elections for Commander and Vice Commander are upcoming. Please consider running for Commander and Vice commander. Armas is willing to serve as Commander. The main function of the VFC is to hold staff meetings and ensure staff compliance and also to serve as the diversity officer.

Poms is gone, AOMS has taken its place. FSO-OP puts in orders through AOMS, and then the coxswain gets orders by email. Post-patrol, the coxswain goes back into AOMS and completes the report. There will be no other need to do any other forms such as the 5132 or 7030. This took effect 01 June 2013. Bob Myers found it confusing the first time and explained what he learned from that interface which did not include a drop down for training missions or assists. These omissions will be forwarded up the chain of command for redress.

Facilities, 7003 offer for use forms have to be perfect to avoid getting bounced. Coxswains have to ensure completion of post-patrol paperwork to get facilities approved. We are also having difficulties getting persons certified as instructors, as that paperwork has to be done perfectly to avoid having the certification bounced.

Patrick Powell and Samy Olivier are now boat crew qualified. John Kleiss is now qualified as an air observer. Patrick Powell is working on his air crew qualifications.

Orion is offering Auxiliarists free safety awareness kits. The email will be forwarded by Anthony Lapicola in the coming days.

VI. Reports, VFC María T. Armas calls for FSO reports:

Committee Reports

Staff Officer Reports

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| <p>A. FSO-FN Robert Myers-- please refer to the previously circulated June FSO-FN report.</p> <p>B. FSO-CM Frank Sullivan, everything has been inputted. There may have been some delays which were out of his hands.</p> <p>C. FSO-CS María T. Armas— no report</p> <p>D. FSO-HR Alfredo Nardi, we have processed Richard and Tyler Lopez.</p> <p>E. FSO-MA Ian MacBaradit, absent</p> <p>F. FSO-MS James Guilmartin, attended a meeting of the south east Florida coral reef initiative can be visited at their website, www.ourfloridareef.org. Scott Blumenthal described a pollution outbreak in the Bay.</p> <p>G. FSO-MT Christopher Cohan, absent. Alfredo reported that he and Fred Jaca attended a QE in June. Jim and Scott took John Clise out for</p> | <p>training. Sammy needs to get boat hours for his certification.</p> <p>H. FSO-MV Scott Blumenthal, 17 July, B&F Marine on Bird Road and 72nd Street, has a Boating Safety Class that evening starting at 1900. Your support is appreciated.</p> <p>I. FSO-IS Frank Sullivan—see CM report.</p> <p>J. FSO-OP Abelardo Lopez de Queralta, if you have a boat and would like to offer it as a facility, please contact Abe. We are on for the 20th and 21st. Jim offered for Sunday, north bay, Tony offered for Sunday, South Bay. Bob has to check his schedule for Saturday. Scott offered to go with Jim.</p> <p>K. FSO-PA Bob Hopps, recommended the book <i>Rescue Warriors</i>, America's Forgotten Heroes, by David Helvarg.</p> |
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- L. FSO-PE Elena Cohan, absent. BS&S starts on 29 July 2013 at 1900.
- M. FSO-SR, vacant, no report, another pleas for help made.
- N. FSO-VE David Neal, our weekend is this Saturday at black point at 1000. Weather permitting, uniform is shorts and tees.
- O. FSO-AV Steve Cruz, absent
- P. FSO-PB, Enrique Ventura, absent. Abelardo Lopez de Queralta asks for pics from the Elks Youth Boating Safety Class, which Elena Cohan has.

VII. Old Business. None.

VIII. New Business. Frank Sullivan addressed the American flag for the Elks lodge which was distressed and replaced. There was a request for funds to replace the flag. Frank made the motion, seconded by Abelardo Lopez de Queralta, approved by acclimation. Awards: Auxiliary Performance award to Fred Jaca, certificate of appreciation to Frank Sullivan for participating on Career Day at Banyan Elementary and for completing the eight-hour TCT course. ID cards distributed: Stan Flanders, Bob Myers, Roy Hellman. New ID cards take about two weeks to process, send Anthony Lapidola an email. New Member Swearing In: none
 Comments from the Floor: none
 Setting of date for next business meeting: 6 August 2013, at 1900
 Bob Hopps moves to adjourn, Alfredo Nardi seconds, adjourned by acclimation.