

zDEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY 070-12-04 LOCAL FORM FORM 114-7017F (01-10) REV.3	U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY RECORD OF FLOTILLA MEETING									
Unit Number	070-12-04	Meeting Date			01/08/14		Meeting Time		1900	
Unit Name	Central Grand Strand									
Meeting Place	Surfside Beach Fire Station						Meeting Type		Member	
# Members Present	AP		IQ		BQ	12	AX	4	# Guests Present	4
Unit Officers Present	Tommy Timberlake (FC/IS/MT), Oliver Leimbach (VFC/HR/NS)									
FSO Officers Present	Billy Shaver (VE), Eric Hurlin (MS/PV), Larry Koslap (CS/SR), Bud Shepard (FN/PA), Vernon Simmons (DV/CM), Jack Margolis (OP/PE)									
Members Present	Chuck Budnick (IPFC), Tony Presson, Jim Nelson, Jack Stacy, Nancy Johnson, Roy Gnirke, Jeffrey Nauert, Don Siwinski									
Guests Present	Marjorie Smith, Steven Smith, Thomas Benenson, Ken Ferrari									
COMMENCEMENT										
Called to Order	1900									
Roll Call/Quorum	16/28 voting members in attendance (quorum of ¼ of voting members met) FC & VFC officers present (quorum of 1 unit officer met)									
Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation	Nancy Johnson led pledge. Bud Shepard led Invocation.									
Approval of Minutes	No minutes recorded for December 2013.									
Financial Report	<p>Bud Shepard reported an opening balance of \$1,889.36, one deposit of \$750 (from a grant Billy Shaver received from Walmart) and a closing balance of \$2,639.36. He did say there is an upcoming payment that will be due for national and district dues which he estimates will be between \$500-\$600.</p> <p>He said the Walmart grant was to be used for ABS courses (i.e.-books, etc), VE inspections or other public education activities.</p> <p>Oliver Leimbach asked for motion for financial report be approved. Jim Nelson made motion to approve. Jack Margolis seconded the motion. Approval of report passed.</p>									
Introduction of Guests	Oliver Leimbach introduced Steve and Marjorie Smith, Ken Ferrari and Tom Beneson who all became aware of the flotilla through e-responder and are either interested in joining or in the process of completing an application, Tom Benenson a former member of Flotilla 070-12-10 Georgetown who expressed and interest in becoming an active member again.									
COAST GUARD REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS										
No Report										
DISTRICT/DIVISION REPRESENTATIVE COMMENTS										
No Report										
FLOTILLA COMMANDER REPORT										
Tommy Timberlake thanked Chuck Budnick for his service and leadership as Flotilla Commander. He also thanked the Flotilla staff officers for work they performed this past year and noted there was an increase in activities in all departments compared to the previous year. He also passed out a year end Division report (which can be viewed on pages 23-24 in the Winter edition of Polaris Magazine) that showed the Flotilla's member volunteer hours equaling or exceeding all categories tracked by Division compared to the previous										

<p>year and thanked all members for their participation. He stressed the importance of submitting monthly 7029's in a timely manner as these hours are used to determine budgets for the auxiliary.</p> <p>He also said there will be a change in staff protocol and that all future communication regarding projects, assignments, reports, etc., will flow from the Vice Flotilla Commander to Flotilla Staff Officers. He said the Flotilla Commander will only be involved directly if there is an emergency or short notice.</p>	
<p>VICE FLOTILLA COMMANDER REPORT</p>	
<p>Oliver Leimbach welcomed back all staff officers that volunteered to remain in those positions for FY2014 and proceeding into staff officer reports.</p>	
<p>STAFF OFFICER REPORTS</p>	
<p>FSO-CM (Communications)</p>	<p>No Report</p>
<p>FSO-CS (Communication Services)</p>	<p>Larry Koslap reported that he would be updating the website with regards to new staff officer positions.</p>
<p>FSO-DV (Diversity)</p>	<p>Vernon Simmons reported that 18 members and 3 guests participated in the Sexual Harassment in Workplace training and that he intends to provide this training to new members.</p>
<p>FSO-FN (Finance)</p>	<p>Bud Shepard reported an opening balance of \$1,889.36, one deposit of \$750 (from a grant Billy Shaver received from Walmart) and a closing balance of \$2,639.36. He did say there is an upcoming payment that will be due for national and district dues which he estimates will be between \$500-\$600.</p> <p>He said the Walmart grant was to be used for ABS courses (I.e.-books, etc), VE inspections or other public education activities.</p> <p>Oliver Leimbach asked for motion for financial report be approved. Jim Nelson made motion to approve. Jack Margolis seconded the motion. Approval of report passed.</p>
<p>FSO-HR (Human Resources)</p>	<p>Oliver Leimbach said he received email from Division that e-responder information is now being passed onto Flotilla Commander and Vice Commander so they are aware of people interested in joining the auxiliary.</p>
<p>FSO-IS (Information Services)</p>	<p>Tommy Timberlake said that there are issues with a number of e-forms not transmitting information correctly (I.e.- 7030, 7046, etc.). He said you should receive an email response after submitting a form. If you don't, it means that your form did not get submitted and you should send him an email notifying him of the error. He did say that 7029's appear to be going through correctly.</p>
<p>FSO-MA (Materials)</p>	<p>Oliver Leimbach said Tony Presson has stepped down as Materials Officer and that any members interested in volunteering to serve in this position should contact him.</p>
<p>FSO-MS (Marine Safety)</p>	<p>Eric Hurlin reported that three sites were tested for Sea Partners Environmental for the month of December 2013.</p>
<p>FSO-MT (Member Training)</p>	<p>Tommy Timberlake said he plans on restarting Boat Crew class the first week of February so that three members (Larry Koslap, Bud Shepard & Vernon Simmons) can get their sign offs complete. He also mentioned that Billy Shaver is now Boat Crew Certified having recently passed his QE. He also said our Flotilla has 5 AUXOP members and that he would like to increase the number of members who are AUXOP certified this year and said he has all the manuals and test guides and that interested members should contact him. Jack Margolis mentioned that a number of AUXOP courses can be taken via Webinar. The AUXOP, or "Operational Auxiliarist" Program is an advanced training program available to members of the Coast Guard Auxiliary who wish to increase their practical relevance to Coast Guard missions, and better assist the Coast Guard to fulfill needed skill sets. Members who successfully complete their training are authorized to wear the</p>

	prestigious AUXOP Device and their membership level advances from Initially Qualified (IQ) or Basic Qualified (BQ) to Operational Auxiliarist (AX2).
FSO-NS (Navigation Systems)	Oliver Leimbach said there were no patrols over the winter and expects that patrols will resume in the spring.
FSO-OP (Operations)	Jack Margolis said that because of the cold weather there have been no recent missions and did mention that he had heard there may be one coming up in February and would provide further information when available. He said he would like to do an OPS workshop prior to start of boating season.
FSO-PA (Public Affairs)	No Report
FSO-PE (Public Education)	Jack Margolis said he is planning on doing an ABS course in February and asked all qualified instructors to let him know their availability. He also said he was looking into doing some public education courses with elementary and secondary students. Billy Shaver suggested he talk with 12-10 Georgetown as they have been doing a class with elementary students the past five years.
FSO-PV (RBS Visitor Prg)	Eric Hurlin reported 38 PV visits for the month of December and total of 480 PV visits for CY2013.
FSO-SR (Secretary/Records)	No Report
FSO-VE (Vessel Examination)	Billy Shaver reported that for FY2013, Division 12 performed a total of 1,736 Vessel Inspections and that our Flotilla performed 437 VE's which led the Division.
OLD BUSINESS	
Tommy Timberlake asked if there were any reports from two committees currently performing Flotilla duties (Finance Audit and Material Audit Committees). Eric Hurlin, chairmen of both committees, said they would be meeting after the meeting.	
Eric Hurlin said that he would be setting up a booth at the Myrtle Beach Boat Show tomorrow (Thursday, January 9) and was still looking for volunteers to assist with manning the booth. The show starts Friday and runs through Sunday.	
Oliver Leimbach read a letter the Flotilla received from Surfside Beach thanking the Flotilla for its participation in the 2013 Christmas Parade.	
NEW BUSINESS	
Tommy Timberlake said he was waiting for confirmation from Georgetown 12-10 regarding a request for use of our facilities in an operational exercise called Operation Coastal Response on the ICW on Saturday, February 1.	
SWEAR IN NEW MEMBERS/STAFF OFFICERS/AWARDS	
Chuck Budnick (Immediate Past Flotilla Commander, IPFC) gave Tommy Timberlake (Flotilla Commander, FC) a medal representing the passing of Flotilla leadership.	
Other Awards: Vernon Simmons, Auxiliary Performance Award-60 Vessel Safety Checks Eric Hurlin, Auxiliary Performance Award-60 Vessel Safety Checks Bob Lippert, Certificate of Completion-Navigation Rules Course Oliver Leimbach, Certificate of Completion-Administrative Procedures Course	
MEMBERSHIP TRAINING	
None	
ADJOURNMENT	

Adjournment Time	Chuck Budnick made motion to adjourn; Eric Hurlin seconded the motion. Meeting ended at 2005.	
Next Meeting	02/12/14	Location: Surfside Beach Fire Department 810 1st Avenue North Surfside Beach SC 29575 (843) 913-6369 Show on Google Maps
Minutes Submitted By	Lawrence Koslap (FSO-CS/SR)	