Dept. of Homeland Security US Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 070-12-06 East Cooper Auxiliary – Record of Unit Meeting

Unit Number: 070-12-06

Location: Sea School, 624 B Marina Dr., Charleston, SC 29492 (Daniel Island)

Date: 15 September, 2022

Time: 1900

Type of Meeting: Regular Business

The meeting was held in person and electronically via Zoom and was called to order by FC John Swink at 1900, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Officers present: FC John Swink, FSO-CM Walter Runck, FSO-IS Philippe Gresle FSO-PA Bill Garvey, FSO-PV Bob Gerber, FSO-FN Justo Torres, FSO-SR Kathy Pascale

Members present: Ed Gerhart, Joe Ego, Craig Hammer, Mike Pascale, Rhett Myers, Chad Rogers

Total attendance: 13 present, QUORUM was met.

Guests Present: None Training: None

A motion was made by Joe Ego, seconded by Philippe Gresle, to approve the August minutes. The motion was approved.

FC Announcements:

The Blood Drive was a big success, thank you to all who participated and attended the lunch afterward at the Tattooed Moose. The next Blood Drive will be in December. All are encouraged to attend, all are invited to lunch after the event.

Operations: Philippe's boat is now operational. Justo's boat is working its way through the approval process.

The life jacket observation process is moving along. Four sites have been surveyed. Data such as number of boats, type of boat, number of people and how many wearing life jackets are being tracked and recorded.

Dues are due! Please send to Justo asap if you haven't already done so.

Elections will be scheduled for October. FC and VFC positions are open. If anyone is interested please let FC know. Thank you to Philippe Gresle, Walter Runck and John Frassanito for serving as the election committee.

Please consider running for election if you would like to be more involved.

USCG Mission Day: Looking for volunteers, Saturday, 24 September, 1000-1400.

Staff Reports:

John Frassanito M, NS: Not present; in Orlando for DTRAIN. (see newsletter for full report)

Philippe Gresle C, IS: Made contact with CS of CGC STONE. The District level officer wants enough interested Auxiliarists before scheduling a culinary class. Hopefully, a class will be scheduled in the Charleston area soon.

Susan White PE: Not present, (see newsletter for full report)

William Garvey PA: Last week a successful Display in Partnership was held at the River Dogs game. They would like 12-6 to participate in various events going forward. There is money in the budget to refresh display items, new banner is needed.

Bob Gerber VE, PE: Let Bob know once you've completed VE, PE.

Walter Runck CM, HR, MT: Nothing to add other than what appears in the newsletter.

Scott Heisler DV: Not present, (see newsletter for full report)

Justo Torres: FN: Complete financial report can be found in the September newsletter.

Old Business:

If anyone is interested in volunteering on CGC STONE or has questions about watchstander qualifications, contact Mike Pascale.

Ed Gerhart: Thank you to John Frassanito and Ed Boutilier for the extra help at the 911 ceremony. Last-minute changes made for some challenges, job well done.

New Business:

CG Mission Day, 24 September, 1000-1400, will forward details this evening. Volunteers needed!

Flotilla 12-8 approved \$200 for soft drinks/water. Wondering what is in the budget to contribute to the event.

Publications: will need help putting the newsletter together. If anyone has an interest in writing articles please let FC know.

Walter: Rescue and survival systems officer. MSG900 surface dry suit has been discontinued. No indication that they will be replaced. Asked for 15 PLBs, received 4.

Awards:

CG Meritorious Service Award: John Swink, Walter Runck, Dawn Gallapis, John Frassanito, John Swink, Susan White.

Auxiliary Membership Service Award: Bob Gerber, 20 years of service.

A motion to adjourn was made by Philippe Gresle and seconded by Craig Hammer. The meeting was adjourned at 1955. Next business meeting will take place on 20 October, 2022, 1900, at Sea School, Daniel Island.

Respectfully submitted by FSO-SR Kathy Pascale