

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: 18 May, 2023

Time: 1900

Type of Meeting: Regular Business

The meeting was held in person 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–MA, NS John Frassanito, FSO–SR Kathy Pascale, FSO–IS, HR Joe Ego, FSO–PV, VE Bob Gerber, FSO–PB Mike Pascale,

**Members present:** David Desplaces, Walter Runck, Ed Gerhart, Wilfredo Rios-Fret

**Total attendance:** 10 present, QUORUM was not met. (April minutes were not approved)

**Guests Present:** Diana Belknap

**Training:** Joe Ego. Excellent presentation and thorough review on how to log hours on AUXDATA II. Take some time to make sure personal information is recorded correctly. If anyone has questions contact Joe.

**FC Announcements:**

Without a quorum we will suspend anything business-related.

Joe will be training this evening on AUXDATA II.

Welcome to Diana Belknap (guest)

Highlights: CA class will be held in Georgetown, PQS times will be coordinated.

National Safe Boating week begins this weekend. Much participation is needed in promoting public safety. Please take some brochures to hand out, life jackets are available, program visits, VE stickers. Justo is working on Proclamations from the Mt. Pleasant Mayor among others.

Wear your life jacket to work to promote Safe Boating Week.

Be sure to record your hours when promoting safe boating.

Everyone is encouraged to attend D-Train in September 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>.

No motion was made to approve the April minutes as there was not a quorum.

A motion will be made in June to approve April /May minutes.

**Staff Reports:**

**Justo Torres: FN, PA:** not present

**Joe Ego: IS, HR:** no updates

**John Swink: OP:** no updates

**Susan White: PE, MT:** not present

**Bob Gerber: VE, PV:** no updates

**John Frassanito: MA, NS:** no updates

**Rhett Myers: CM:** not present

**Dawn Gallapis MS, CS:** not present

**Scott Heisler: DV:** not present

**Mike Pascale: PB:** no updates

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** MLEA is working on getting a tour together for anyone interested in helping out. Lt. O'Neil has been assigned as project officer to organize next steps.

**Awards:** None

**Comments:** Walter Runck

Reminder to answer an Everbridge drill in the near future. Important to respond.

June 28<sup>th</sup> 8am–Noon. Sector Charleston, will host a Mass Rescue Operation (MRO)/ Mass Casualty Incident (MCI). Looking for volunteers to role play as victims and check in participants for Tradd Street, Patriots Point and maybe CHS County EOC.

Unfortunate incidents of drownings on the Edisto river in the past two weeks. Both cases occurred in a public place, neither were wearing life jackets. There will be a need for brochures to be created in English and Spanish. Efforts being made to provide life jackets for ramps.  
Possible Sea Scouts project.

Meeting ended at 2025. No motion to adjourn as a quorum was not met. Next meeting will take place on 15 June, 2023.

Respectfully submitted by,  
FSO-SR Kathy Pascale