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CALL TO ORDER BY FLOTILLA COMMANDER AT: 19:24 Hours

Pledge: John Bacan
Invocation: Al Rosich
Attending: 17 + 1 Guest = Total 18
Guests: Bryan Bratton

SECRETARY REPORT:

Minutes to the last meeting Report Linda Seabold FSO-SR
Motion to accept the minutes: Michele Rosich
2nd: Ed Gordon
Vote: Passed

FINANCE OFFICER REPORT:

Finance Report Peter Baillie FSO-FN
No changes since January 2016.

FLOTILLA COMMANDER REPORT:

- Mandated training session on 2/27/16 had 11 members in attendance and William Ferry. Classes covered
 - Civil Rights
 - Ethics 1
 - Sexual Assault Prevention
 - Sexual Harassment Prevention
- Sent a request for background check for John Bacan. There are at least 4 members from our division still in AP past 14 months.
- Flotilla 092-06-04: Please explain the source of any cash contributions over \$100 -- include a brief note of explanation of the \$213 -- note the source(s) to the right of the amount.

REPLY for cash Contributions: (Note: information below edited to make it shorter.)

The money contributed was over a period of months by OUR flotilla members in the following ways:

- ✓ Purchased Crusher baseball tickets. Members that came to the game donated \$1 more per person for the Flotilla..
- ✓ We have a steak fry every year and have shared dishes. The flotilla purchases the Steaks, drinks and other supplies. The steak fry is free to members but we



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request a \$5 donation per members guests.. This \$5 is donated to the flotilla treasury to off set the cost of the steaks and drinks. There is also a jar for donations should a member want to toss in a few extra dollars.

- ✓ Once a year we have a picnic / rendezvous. The flotilla pays for the meats for members and guests. A donation towards the cost is offset by tossing a few dollars in a pail.
- ✓ Our Christmas party had 70 pieces of chicken provided by the flotilla members brought shared dishes. Members started a collection on their own and the money donated went to the treasury.

The above is how we had cash donations and offset the cost of our fellowship events.

FLOTILLA COMMANDER REPORT FROM DIVISION:

- Mandated training is still a high priority. There was a question as to what can be done to improve the process getting members to do mandated training. Russ our FC suggested flotilla's assign one person (like Greg Little) to track and work with member to make sure no one falls behind.
- Bob Hemminger received a lot of praise for his work in his short videos. Russ said "I guess we will have to double his auxiliary pay again".
- EverBridge testing soon. Updated version needs to have AuxData information correct. Be sure your information is correct in AuxData.
- Important! Skills Bank for each person needs to be updated. EverBridge can search though member skills to find possible assistance for the Coast Guard or Auxiliary. (Form 7020A)
- Charging time for Dtrain. Workshops on 7030 form and misc. hours on 7029 form.
- Interested in working the Republican Convention? Contact for now will be Mike Packard.

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- New Flotilla uniform, more information in new business

VICE FLOTILLA COMMANDER REPORT:

From VFC Greg Little:

Since the February meeting, work continues on meeting the goal of 100% compliance for mandatory training. As of the March 2, 2016 report from national headquarters our Flotilla is at 44% overall compliance for mandatory training. Please keep in mind that the training completed at Station Lorain on Feb. 27 is not reflected in this report. Once



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that information is included we should be closer to 50 or 51%. Progress is slow but steady. Robert Hemminger FSO-CS has done an excellent job of making several videos explaining how to access on-line the mandatory training materials. His efforts are greatly appreciated because they will help us complete our mission. On March 2; I attended the Division 06 meeting in Cuyahoga Falls
On March 5; I passed the RBSVP exam.

AWARDS / CERTIFICATES / PLEDGES:

- Bob Koenig was sworn in by VFC Greg Little for his FSO-MA appointment

STAFF OFFICERS REPORTS:

- FSO-CM Communications Peter Baillie - On vacation.
50 hours of watch standing for February. (reported by Alan Rosich)
- FSO-CS Communication Services Bob Hemminger
Communication Services Report for February 2016
 1. Updated status chart and information for mandated training
 2. Created a Google account for the flotilla (USCGAUX Lorain). Currently everything on the web page is using my login. By making an auxiliary login others can update and change the web page if needed.
 3. Created uscgauxlorain.us domain and linked our web page to it. Domain name is leased for 5 years before it needs to be renewed again.
This short name enables a short name for new members, current members and the public to use the short name uscgauxlorain.us instead of the long name of <http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=092-06-04>
- FSO-DV Diversity OPEN
- FSO-HR Human Resources Russell Cromwell
Greg Little (VFC), Dave McCollum (new member), Jack Benton (IPFC/VDC) and Russ (FC) had a Prospective Member Interview with William Ferry on 2/23/16. William also came to our Mandated Training session and has 4 of his mandated training requirements done already.
- FSO-IS Information Services Michele E. Rosich
Received an email from district regarding a new requirement for members who went into REYRs on Jan. 1: Even though a member has the hours/etc. to be removed from



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REYRs, if all the mandated courses are not completed they can't be removed until all the courses are completed and entered into AuxData.

- FSO-MA Materials Robert J Koenig
- FSO-MS Marine Services OPEN
- FSO-MT Member Training OPEN
- FSO-NS Navigation System Thomas Raszka - No Report
- FSO-OP Operations Jack Benton

Marblehead navigation course started – basic chart plotting;
both Station Lorain boats are in the water

- FSO-PA Public Affairs Linda Seabold – No report
- FSO-PB Publications OPEN
- FSO-PE Public Education OPEN
- FSO-PV (MD) Marine Dealer Ron Behl
- FSO-VE Vessel Exams Ron Behl

COMMITTEE REPORT:

COMMITTEE	MEMBERS	ACTIONS	REPORT NOTES
Awards & Elections		Assist/Coordinate members in writing awards. Assist/Coordinate FC/VFC Elections	
Fellow Ship Event Planner		<i>Decide on Fellow Ship events to present to Flotilla for locations and dates. Items like Dinners, Baseball, Corn Hole Challenge</i>	
Fund Raising		<i>Assist the flotilla in raising funds for treasury.</i>	
Historian		<i>Gather information to add to Flotilla History - Document current data to be added to Flotilla History</i>	



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New Member Mentor		<i>Willing to assist in questions from new members. Assigned to Member or Assigned to a Task like uniforms, forms, training... etc.</i>	
Organization & Restoration		Assist in organization Auxiliary owned materials. Maintain trailer and sheds appearance.	
Party Coordinator		<i>Assist in Planning Party's Rendezvous - Christmas Party - Steak Fry - COW</i>	
Photos		<i>Help document Flotilla activities and share with Historian</i>	
Planned USCGAUX Event Coordinator		Assist in Planning, Working and Research Opportunities for Events like Information Booths - Aux Speaker - VE Blitz	
Sunshine	Marge Bratton	<i>Responsible to keep up with members missing meetings to make sure things are OK and send cards for health related issues or events.</i>	Marge read the people that had birthdays or Anniversary for January or February 2016 Also sent a card from the Flotilla to Jack Benton for his sisters passing.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Paper passed around to sign up in a Committee. If you have not signed up yet please contact Russ Cromwell FC or Greg Little VFC.



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- Jack Benton said Dave's Shed Plaque is currently getting the last coat of varnish and will then have the rope mounted around the outside. We are getting very close.
- Auxiliary Flag has been missing from the meeting location for the last few months. Jack Benton said he would take a look around the station to see if he could find it again.
- After discussion on where and who would play Corn Hole against the station it was decided to invite the Coast Guard members to our Rendezvous and we would have a play off there.
- Did you turn in some of your hours this year??? Important for the flotilla that members turn hours in on a regular basis.
- Russ passed out booklet he put together containing members' phone numbers and addresses in response to previous request for the info.

NEW BUSINESS:

Classes are 3/19/2016 at station Lorain starting at 10am going to 3pm

(NOTE: Training was held at Station Lorain on March 19 from 1000-1500. Four classes were completed including:

- DHS Protecting Personal Information
- Influenza Training
- Preventing Suicide
- Security Fundamentals

On 4/16/2016 we plan to do a VE refresher to make sure all VE's are on the same page and the one hour TCT... most of the time my one hour TCT turns out to be 2 hours long.

On 4/23/2016 there will be another mandated training session available. Classes are not chosen yet. need to know what we need most.

Virginia Suda offered to do FEMA 100 and FEMA700 in Lorain if the FEMA training is needed. The test will still need to be done on line though.

- Finances - Suggestion from Ed Gordon for a "yard sale" to make some money for the flotilla. We will pass this up the tree to see if it would be allowed. Meanwhile start looking for items you would like to donate to a yard sale if we have one. Also need a place to have it, start looking for a location.
- New Uniform for Auxiliary? Alternate uniform tentatively will:
 - Khaki pants no cuff
 - USCGA polo shirt must be tucked in
 - Black shoes no stitching on top sometimes boat shoes.



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Flotilla discussed the alternate uniform.

Comments:

- The need for a simple uniform could make things easier for some tasks like a VE exam.
 - One of the members said that the uniform that the Power Squadron uses for doing VE's is a red polo shirt and khaki pants.
 - Lot of the members prefer khaki cargo pants not standard pants.
 - Big concern on loosing the ability of an Auxiliary member still being allowed to wear the Coast Guard uniform
 - A lot of the members feel that not wearing a Coast Guard Uniform will hinder cooperation from boaters for an Auxiliary facility.
 - For information booths a Coast Guard uniform is more recognizable and draws people to the information boot.
 - Not wearing a Coast Guard Uniform makes the Auxiliary like the Power Squadron Uniform.
- Fish Fry will be on April 8 at Vermilion AmVets Post.
 - Russ will send out an email invitation
 - Bob Hemminger will take RSVP's and keep web page updated as to who is coming.
 - Don Dawkins will make arrangements with AmVets to try to get us seated together as much as possible.
 - Christmas in July?? Russ asked if we should move our Christmas Party up to have December off. Will discuss further at next meeting.
 - Past Flotilla Commander Jack Benton was presented a thank you gift for all the work he's done for our Flotilla for 2014/2015.

CLOSING REMARKS:

District/Division Commander or Vice Commander

FC Russ Cromwell

- Thanks Jack for the treats tonight!
- For those of you going to Dtrain have a good time and charge your time correctly.

IPFC Jack Benton

Reminded members that he is the new Auxiliary Unit Coordinator and to contact him with any issues.

Senior Member Attending

- Remark: "This is a great group. Everyone does a good job. Keep up the good work." -- Marie Shimandle



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MOTION TO ADJOURN:

Motion to Adjourn by: **Jack Benton**
 2nd: **Ed Gordon**
 Vote: Passed
 Adjourn Meeting Time: 21:02 Hrs.

Minutes Respectively Reported by:

FSO-SR Linda Seabold

MEETING TREATS			
Month	Name	Month	Name
Jan	Debbie Cromwell	July	
Feb	Bob Hemminger	Aug	Rendezvous
Mar	Jack Benton	Sept	Ed Gordon
Apr	Tom & Chris Raszka	Oct	
May	Greg Little	Nov	
Jun	Steak Fry	Dec	Christmas/ Hanukkah Party
TREAT BACKUP (Only if Needed)			
Standby		Standby	