



06-04 FLOTILLA MEETING MINUTES for March 2018



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CALL TO ORDER BY FLOTILLA COMMANDER: 19:30 Hours

16 members, 1 guests

Pledge: George Harizal

Invocation: Alan Rosich

Guests: Sherry Burdick

SECRETARY REPORT: Linda Seabold

Minutes for March meeting approved. Motion: Tom Cole, 2nd: Ed Gordon

FINANCE OFFICER REPORT: Peter Baillie (absent)

Report submitted and read.

DIVISION MEETING REPORT: McCollum

Meeting: April 4

STAFF OFFICERS REPORTS:

Communications: Peter Baillie (absent) – Watch standing for February 2018: Jack Benton 20 hours, Rose Melko 20 hours. Total 40 for January and 85 for year 2018. (Melko will do reports in Baillie's absence)

Communication Services: Tom Cole (taking over for Bob Hemminger). Familiarized himself with web page administration. Added safe boating class to Flotilla website public education page; also added Jan. minutes and D-Train information. Tom also reported that he will be going C School in California for communication services training.

Diversity: Dave McCollum

--22 members and friends attended fish fry at Slovak Club in Lorain and it was a "great success."

--The Commander's Gathering on Feb. 13 was enjoyed by all. Members, spouses, family and prospective members joined in fellowship.

--Five members of Flotilla attended an information evening with the "Spirit of America" on Feb. 22 at French Creek Nature Center.

Human Resources: Dave McCollum – Congratulations to Ken Distler on getting his ID number; paperwork for Robert Pritchard being completed; newest prospect Joe Bercik will attend next gathering and Flotilla meeting. John Bacan transfer to Florida flotilla not yet processed. Will be looking into what is holding this up

Information Services: Michele E. Rosich. The 7029 and 7030s can now be emailed to Michele to be entered into AUXDATA. It is best to do it monthly or every two months. Training Management now shows the BQC courses. Report also shows those members who are in REYRs. Let Michele know if you plan not to continue in activities marked REYRs (needs to be in writing).

Materials: Robert J Koenig -- Ordered materials for upcoming activities.

Member training: McCollum report: Four newest members making great progress getting their ICS, mandated training and BQ course requirements out of the way. Six members are on the YEYRS list for qualification training requirements that are overdue. Will contact.

Navigation System: Tom Raszka No report

Operations: Jack Benton

– Summarized change to Station Small for Lorain. Will close down Labor Day or soon after.

--Benton announced that the USCG will not pay for damage to for his boat. Since he cannot afford the repairs himself he is giving up the facility. Will be working closely with Cleveland and they will be bringing their boats here for two-boat training every couple weeks. Only boat at Lorain this summer will be the 25-footer. The 45-foot is currently in Detroit for retro-fitting and will be going directly to Rochester, NY.



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--Benton vowed that on-water training WILL get done despite the setbacks. It was questioned why CG hasn't donated one of its no-longer-used boats for flotilla use for training.

--If a facility is donated, all equipment is available (which was being used on Benton's boat).

Public Affairs: Greg Little -- Safe boating course coming up April 14 at Splash Zone in Oberlin. Getting publicity out for that.

Public Education: Bill Ferry – Gave info on flotilla safe boating class, Spirit of America program and Paddle and Pedal Fest at Lakeview Park on May 20. VE Blitzes coming up in June. Reviewed recall of Kidde fire extinguishers and SeaTow automatic radio check..

Marine Dealer: Russ Cromwell – No visits for February.

Vessel Examinaton: Greg Little — No VEs for February. Upcoming: VE workshop refresher will be held at Station Lorain on April 21. This also an excellent chance to get info if you are interested in becoming a VE. VE blitzes tentatively planned for June 2, 9-10 and 23. Safe boating week is May 19.

NEW BUSINESS:

-- Volunteers are needed to help with Safe Boating Class on April 14 at Splash Zone in Oberlin – for breakfast, lunch setup/serving and paper grading, etc. Hours 7 a.m. to maybe 7 p.m. Don't need to be there all day – even a few hours would be a big help. Please. Contact Russ Cromwell or Tom Raszka if you are available to help.

-- Certificates of appointment presented to officers.

--Certificate of Election presented to FSO-VFC Tom Cole

-- New members (Brooke Fenner, Jeff Burdick, Ken Distler) officially sworn in.

-- T-shirt and sweatshirts still being ordered. Information will be on website prices.

-- Joe Bercik attended meeting and brought info and pictures of his restored 44-foot USCG 44364 Motor Lifeboat. Thanks for sharing Joe and we hope to see it in person this summer.

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MOTION TO ADJOURN: Greg Little; 2nd Tom Cole. Passed

Adjourn meeting time: 20:40 Hrs.

Next meeting: May 9 , Station Lorain.

Minutes respectively submitted by: Linda Seabold



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