



06-04 FLOTILLA MEETING MINUTES FOR Wednesday, May 13, 2015



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CALL TO ORDER: Jack Benton @ 1934

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Greg Little

INVOCATION: Al Rosich

ATTENDANCE:

Members: 20; **Guests:** 1 *Total 21 in attendance.*

SECRETARY'S REPORT: FSO-SR Linda Seabold

No changes in Previous Meeting Minutes

Motion to accept minutes: Chris Raszka

Second: Rose Melko

Pass: Unanimous

FINANCE REPORT: Marie Shimandle FSO-FN

No account activity.

Motion to accept financial report: Ed Gordon

Second: Rodger Knight

Pass: Unanimous

FLOTILLA COMMANDER REPORT: Jack Benton FSO-FC

- Annual open house at Station Lorain set for May 23 cancelled due to high security level.
- Reminder that everyone must show ID or papers to enter base.

DIVISION MEETING REPORT: Jack Benton FSO-FC

- There were no minutes submitted from May Division meeting
- Mutual Assistance: Members reminded of email from Coast Guard Mutual Assistance. Flotilla 6-4 has donated \$50. Members may contribute personally if they wish.
- Reviewed AP status issues on the length of time to be completed. Security clearance: There is now a 14-month period for getting security clearance from date of application.
- Division has new projector but 6-4 has own so probably will not be using.
- Joint rendezvous: There will be an operations rendezvous in Cleveland for boat facilities and crew on July 18-19. It will be a two-day joint exercise with Huron, Lorain, Cleveland and Fairport Harbor arranged by Ken Sarnecki. More information upcoming. Contact Jack if interested in participating.
- Air patrols: There is now someone applying to get security clearance for air patrols. If anyone is interested in participating, contact Jack or Russ.

STAFF OFFICER REPORTS: Called on by Russ Cromwell, FSO-VFC:

FSO-CM - Communications - Peter Baillie:

49 watch standing hours for April



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FSO-CM - Communication (or Computer) services - Bob Hemminger:

Absent. Anyone wishing to add something to website contact Bob.

FSO-HR - Human Resources - Russell Cromwell:

Five people interested in joining flotilla. Three of the five in contact.

FSO-IS - Information Services - Michele Rosich:

Reminder to members to turn in their form 99 hours every month or 2 months as to allow hours to be entered in-to Aux Data and show up in AUXINFO

FSO-MA - Materials - Roger Knight:

Have stamps and envelopes. Russ suggested every member should have a few envelopes and stamps for communications.

FSO-Navigation Systems –Tom Raszka:

No report

FSO-OP - Operations - Jack Benton:

Just getting started. Has done a couple exercise. Waiting for water to warm up. Will advise. If interested in crew training, contact Jack (books available).

FSO- PA - Public Affairs - Linda Seabold:

Open house was cancelled. Will send out info for Safe Boating Class. Will contact councilman about place to have class if station is off limits for use. NOTE: Class was cancelled due to lack of students registering because of short notice (due to difficulty in finding a place to hold class since the station was off limits to the public.). Flotilla 6-4 has secured the free-of-charge use of the LCCC Learning Center on West Erie Avenue (across from City Hall) for future classes.

FSO-VE - Vessel Exams - Ron Behl (absent)

One exam in process. Reminder to send in paper work as soon as report done.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Sunshine Committee: Marge Bratton

- Birthdays for May: John Bacan, Michele Rosich, Randal Scherf, Donald Dawkins, Robert Koenig
- Anniversaries for May: Rickey Bulea (2003), Keith Marsh (2012), Chris Raszka (1991), Tom Raszka (1991), Judy Bell (1997), Randal Scherf (2006), Greg Little (2014).

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Committee Members</u>
<i>Information Booths</i>	When Needed	
<i>Aux Speaker</i>		
<i>Rendezvous</i>	Russ & Jack	Need volunteers, helpers
<i>VE Blitz</i>	Russ & Jack	Helpers to learn the ropes



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<i>Steak Fry</i>	Marie	Need set up volunteers & cook's
<i>Sunshine - Report</i>	Marge Bratton	Everyone who hears or knows what happens. Rodger 23yrs, Dennis 15 yrs.
<i>Awards</i>	Al Rosich	Anyone can nominate anyone
<i>Holiday Party</i>	How about someone new	Plenty of old timers to help, just ask
<i>Grant Writing</i>		
<i>Elections</i>	Allen Rosich	Need some new blood for VFC next year and maybe another ex FC to give Russ and I a needed break
<i>Change of Watch</i>		
<i>New Member Mentor</i>	Russ & Jack always, but	Need others to adopt a newer member, so volunteer
<i>Photos</i>	Everyone	Send to Bob, with a description

NEW BUSINESS:

- **VESSEL EXAMS:** Russ will check with marinas regarding hosting. VE Blitzes tentatively set for June 6 (Beaver Park South), June 13 (Beaver Park North) and June 14 (Copper Kettle) and June 20 (Maple Grove).
- **UNIFORMS:** Discussion on uniforms for VE's. Since it was advised that USCG members and Auxiliarists not wear uniforms for travel during the time of high security, there was a question about wearing uniforms for VE's. There has been no official reply, but the feeling was that the restriction only applies to station activities. ODU's are OK to wear for VE's.
- **STEAK FRY:** Set for Beaver Creek Boat Club on June 10.
 - Committee: Ed Gordon, Tom and Chris Raszka, Linda Seabold, Peter Baillie (and Debbie).
 - Open to families. Pot luck, steaks provided for members (guests \$5). Bring own place settings and cups. Coasties invited.
 - There was a vote for approval of \$300 for steak fry costs (given to Marie for purchase of steaks): Motion: Al Rosich, 2nd: Marge Bratton. Approved unanimous.
 - There was a vote for approving \$5 charge to guests for their steaks: Motion: Peter Baillie, 2nd: Linda Seabold. Approved unanimous.



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- Look for updates on what everyone is bringing on web page.
- CHALLENGE COINS: Suggestion of using for fund raiser. Jack will look into.
- CRUSHERS GAME: Looking to attend game in June. Will discuss at steak fry.

AWARDS: Presented by Al Rosich/Jack Benton/Russ Cromwell

Auxiliary Annual Service Performance Awards for 2014:

- Jack Benton: Award and Letter of Commendation from district (in excess of 750 support hours and 208 operations hours)
- Russ Cromwell: Auxiliary Service Performance award (in excess of 750 support hours)
- Rose Melko: Sustained Auxiliary Service Award (in excess of 750 hours) and Annual Service Performance Award (for 750+ operational support hours) and Annual Service Performance Award for Support (in excess of 244 hours).
- Marie Shimandle: Auxiliary Service Performance Ribbon/Award for 45 years of service, with commendation signed by Admiral Midgett.
- Michelle Rosich: Sustained Auxiliary Service Award (in excess of 750 hours)
- Dee Davis: Auxiliary Service Performance award (in excess of 750 support hours); Superior Performance Award (2,619 hours for 2013)
- Rodger Knight: Auxiliary Service Award (in excess of 750 hours)
- Dennis Heider: Auxiliary Service Award (in excess of 750 hours), Service Performance Award Operational (in excess if 750 hours) and 15 years Service Award
- Ron Behl: Commendations similar to above
- Unit commendation awards/ribbons were give to all member for service from 2009-2014.
- New member John Bacan sworn in by Russ

OLD BUSINESS:

- The plaque for Dave's Shed is 50% finished. Jack will take a photo to show progress. Jack bought two CGAux Challenge coins to add to the plaque from Flotilla 6-4 and the station is donating a Station Lorain emblem coin.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion submitted by: Ed Gordon

Seconded by: Dennis Heider.

Vote: Unanimous to adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 21:01 hours.

Next Meeting: June 10, Beaver Creek Boat Club, steak fry

***Meeting Minutes Respectfully Submitted,
FSO-SR Linda Seabold***



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Meeting Night Treat List:

Month	Name	Month	Name
JAN	Jack Benton	July	Marge Bratton
Feb	Greg Little	Aug	Rendezvous
Mar	Tom & Chris Raszka	Sept	Roger Knight
Apr	Russ & Deb Cromwell	Oct	Dee Davis
May	Ed Gordon	Nov	Bob Hemminger
Jun	Steak Fry	Dec	Christmas/ Hanukkah Party