

UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY

Division 095-39, U. S. Coast Guard Station Wilmette Harbor
10 Harbor Drive, Wilmette, IL 60091

Division Board Meeting Minutes for 7 August, 2019

Meeting Times: Fellowship and Dinner 1900, Call to Order 1930
Uniform of the Day is ODU. Regular Meetings are first Wednesday of the month except as noted.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Joe Conte

ATTENDEES: DCDR Tim Darrey, VCDR Shawn Landa - From 39-02: FC/SO-OPS, SO-PB Chas. Hague, VFC/SO-SR Bridget Darrey, SO-HR/SO-IS Robert Reczek, SO-CM Mike Valente, Member Ruben Howard - From 39-04: Members Edward Brooks, Matthew Prasnowski - From 39-06: FC John Lenhard, SO-NS Rick McNulty, SO-VE Marc Pullman, AUC Bob Mack, Members Anita Lutkus, John Roberston, Bill Luksha, George Moran- From 39-08: VFC/SO-PA, SO-PV Ron Dziagwa – From 39-10: VFC Joe Conte

SWEARING IN OF OFFICERS and/or NEW MEMBERS: New Member Ruben Howard

Approval of the Previous Meeting MINUTES for: July, 2019 with addition of omitted FSO reports submitted by Ron Dziagwa.

1st motion: Ron Dziagwa **2nd motion:** Shawn Landa **Motion Carries?** Y X N _____

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS and NEW MEMBERS: None

DIVISION COMMANDER REPORTS: DCDR Tim Darrey

Commodore's initiative to combat dramatic increase in drownings on the Great Lakes.

Successful July Division meeting was attended by at least 16 members. All five Flotillas were represented, a quorum was met and the Fellowship Dinner was well received. Please remember that your \$7 not only covers the cost of your dinner but helps cover the cost of the Active Duty members sharing that dinner with us.

Recruiting AND mentoring of newly recruited members, maintenance of the National HR Reporting system AAMS

Election Committees and Succession Plans – 5 Flotillas PLUS Division

Oshkosh update

Upcoming Surface Operations Opportunities; Swim Across America 10 August, Chicago Air & Water Show 15 – 18 August, Big Shoulder Swim 7 September, Tough Cup 28 September. There are also 2 possible additional events, one in Whiting, IN and one in 31st Street Harbor, Dates TBA.

Event Responsibilities

- o Flotilla 39-02: FC Charles Hague, VFC Bridget Darrey
- o Flotilla 39-04: FC: Adam Klein, VFC: Moshe Tishel
- o Flotilla 39-06: FC John Lenhard, VFC Daniel O'Connell
- o Flotilla 39-08: FC Richard Grinius, VFC Ronald Dziagwa
- o Flotilla 39-10: FC Brent Barker, VFC Joseph Conte

MEETING GIVEN TO VCDR Shawn Landa

CORE TRAINING

UNIT	MEMBERS	% COMPLETE	CHANGE
Division 39	144 (no change)	85%	+0%
Flotilla 39-02	25 (+1)	92%	+4%
Flotilla 39-04	27 (-1)	70%	+0%
Flotilla 39-06	59 (+3)	92%	+0%
Flotilla 39-08	16 (no change)	88%	+0%
Flotilla 39-10	17 (no change)	76%	+0%

Note: These are raw numbers based on the AUXDATA report run 06 August, 2019 at 1445.

STAFF OFFICER	OFFICE	REPORT STATUS	Additions
Name			
CM – Greg Kmiec	Communications	No Report Submitted	Absent
CS – Andrew Weiler	Comm Systems	No Report Submitted	Absent
DV – Stuart Galesburg	Diversity	No Report Submitted	Absent
FN – Ron Tragasz	Finance	Report Submitted	Absent
FS – Ron Dziagwa	Food Service	Report Submitted	Nothing new to add
HR – Robert Reczek	Human Resources	Report Submitted	Members can update their profile on form 7028
IS – Robert Reczek	Information Systems	Report Submitted	See above
MA – Ryan Joslyn	Materials	No Report Submitted	Absent
MS – Jay Katzman	Marine Safety	Report Submitted	Absent
MT – Michael Valente	Member Training	Report Submitted	We will be having a division wide Core Training day in September or October
NS – Richard McNulty	Navigation Systems	Report Submitted	Nothing new to add
OP – Charles Hague	Operations	Report Submitted	Nothing new to add
PA – Ron Dziagwa	Public Affairs	Report Submitted	Nothing new to add
PB – Charles Hague	Publications	Report Submitted	Nothing new to add
PE – Bill Russell	Public Education	No Report Submitted	Absent
PV – Ron Dziagwa	Program Visitor	Report Submitted	Nothing new to add
SR – Bridget Darrey	Secretary/Records	Report Submitted	Nothing new to add
VE – Marc Pullman	Vessel Examination	Report Submitted	There will be two August blitzes

MEETING RETURNS TO DCDR TIM DARREY

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS - None

COMMITTEE REPORTS - None

NEWS AND EVENTS (MARK YOUR CALENDARS)

August 11 – Coast Guard Band at Cantigny
 August 15 -18 Chicago Air and Water Show
 Big Shoulder Swim
 Tough Cup

AWARDS AND CERTIFICATES

39-02 – Gary Cahill – 5 Year Service Award

Joel Smith – District Commodore Letter of Commendation – Core Training completed within 30 days.

39-10 – Chris Barker - District Commodore Letter of Commendation – Core Training completed within 30 days.

OPEN FORUM - Back logged IDs are on their way. For new id requests send forms to Lee Bacall.

AUGUST REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED BY: Dinner arranged by Division Bridge and supported by individual donations.

SEPTEMBER REFRESHMENTS TO BE PROVIDED BY: Same as above

ADJOURNMENT

1st motion: **Ron Dziagwa** 2nd motion: **Joe Conte** Motion Carries? Y X N _____

ADDITIONAL FELLOWSHIP MAY FOLLOW, please help share the task of restoring our meeting place to its original condition following the meeting.

DIVISION STAFF OFFICER REPORTS

CM (Communications), SO Greg Kmiec: No Report Submitted The following report was submitted by 39-08: Still waiting, to get one of our Hand-Held Flotilla radios entered in AUXDATA, that we also had inspected. It did pass the inspection, but was never entered in AUXDATA.

CS (Communications Services), SO Andrew Weiler: No Report Submitted The following report was submitted by 39-08: Our website was again updated since my last month's report. I still need help in putting Links on our web-page, so our quarterly Chicago Air-Mail newsletters can be accessed by anyone, like other Flotillas do already have set up. I also need help posting Boating site Links and the Lake Michigan Buoys in one location on our website, for easy access at any time by our members.

DV (Diversity), SO Stuart Galesburg: No Report Submitted The following report was submitted by 39-08: Since my last report, we were notified by National, that our Flotilla was one of the winners of The NACO Three Star Award for Excellence in Diversity. The letter I received is below:



NATIONAL DIVERSITY DIRECTORATE

OFFICE OF THE ANACO-DV

DAVID G. PORTER

And

THE DEPUTY ANACO-DVd

TRACY R. SCHULTZ

Shipmate,

We are in receipt of and thank you for your submission of the National Commodore's 3 Star Award to acknowledge your participation in and promotion of Diversity! Practicing in Diversity and Inclusion will help make ready a formidable volunteer force that give a voice to the varying skill sets and points of view that will go to the perpetuation of our edicts of Honor, Respect and Devotion to Duty which will ever make us Semper Paratus

As we are an organization that is a microcosm of the society we serve, it is ever important to embrace our collective differences and wide-ranging experiences in the idea and belief that as a whole, those differences and experiences are those that make us better as an organization. Your practice of Diversity Management will serve to recruit and retain members as well as promote mission readiness as you explore the myriad of interests your members have that you the leader, can steer them to.

We applaud your efforts and celebrate your accomplishments! Your award will be presented to your District Commodore at NACON in August. They will see to its distribution through your Division Commander. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact your local Area Division Chief who you can find by accessing our website.

Respectfully,

ANACO David G. Porter
and
ANACO-d Tracy R. Schultz
USCG Auxiliary
National Diversity Team

FN (Finance), SO Ron Tragasz: Checks and deposits listed below, bank see bank statement under attachments...

	7048.06	Balance
3/11/2019	5305.50	Check for Dues Invoice from District
3/23/2018	744.00	Dues 39-10
4/13/2019	744.00	Dues 39-08
4/30/2019		3230.56 Balance Agrees with bank statement
5/14/2019	75.00	Karen Porzak Face Painter Wilmette Open House
5/17/2019	735.00	Cash (\$420) and Checks (\$315) from COW attendees
5/17/2019	83.66	USCG Wilmette Open House 5/18
7/1/2019	3806.90	Balanced to statement attached

FS (Food Services), SO Ron Dziagwa: 39-02 FS Member, Christine Gressick :

No report received. 39-04 FC, Adam Klein: No report received and there is no FS Member in his Flotilla. 39-06 FS Member, Gail Raith: No report received, but I do know she and Mike helped out at SCH's CoC. 39-08 FSO-FS, Ron Dziagwa: A picnic connected before our June Flotilla was at Bult Field, which will be the General Aviation side of the Peotone Airport if it is ever built. A good time was enjoyed by all as well as a good BBQ cooked by our own SO-FS. We also asked other pilots and employees/hanger owners, that were there to join us and one actually did. The airport manager had to leave at 1800 and we had the whole Fixed Base Operation's building for ourselves to use and it was a good thing. It did get a little cold outside for the picnic, so we did move it indoors and only the cook had to be out there, but he was working by the free gas grill owned by the state, that we were allowed also to use. We are planning just snacks at our next Flotilla meeting, but we again will be in the Balloon Room for our annual Flotilla Dinner in September at Pilot Pete's after the annual, before the start of the meeting, Fly In Spot Landing Contest. 39-10 FSO-FS, Brent Barker: No report received.

095-39 SO-FS, Ron Dziagwa: The Auxiliary Food Service program is always looking for new members. After the initial training that is usually funded and done in Grand Haven now, all you have to do is 12 hours of FS a year to keep current. I would like all FCs and their FS members, to promote this certification to any member who may have any interest in being an Auxiliary Food Service Specialist.

HR (Human Resources), SO Robert Reczek: See attachments, The National HR Reporting system AAMS is up and running. Over all is working well. Easy to access either by Name or by Flotilla. This system is only accessible by SO-HR or FSO-HR Office. Once a Flotilla is given a lead through the ROBO system, you are to log in this system, and update your activity with the prospect. These steps are important as they are tracked by National.

IS (Information Systems), SO Robert Reczek: See attachments

MA (Materials), SO Ryan Joslyn: No report submitted

MS (Marine Safety), SO Jay Katzman: Invited members from the area Auxiliary Divisions (35, 37, 39, 41) were part of the Coast Guard's Honor Platoon for the Change of Command ceremony for Marine Safety Unit Chicago held on June 28th, at the Union League Club of Chicago. Commander Zeita Merchant was relieved of command by Commander Randy Preston. Fair Winds and Following Seas, Zeita, on her next assignment - Harvard University. Each member of the Honor Platoon received a challenge coin from CDR Merchant.

Ron Dziagwa, FSO - MS - 08The following MS events were held by our Flotilla since my last report. We again were back at both the New China Buffet in Chicago and at the Super China Buffet in Norridge with our boating and water safety brochures and coloring & activity books for the kids, making them Sea Partners. We also were back at a Chicago Burger King and an International House of Pancakes in Chicago. Again at our monthly visit at the CiCi's More Than a Pizza Buffet in Niles and also back at the Old Country Buffet in the Bricktown Square in Chicago where we were there on three of their "Military Days". We again this year had my version of the "Do You Know Where Your Litter Is" game at the Abbington Banquet Hall in Glen Ellyn for the Active Senior Expo event there. My thanks also goes out to Division 41 member Brad Feinberg, who also helped me out with manning our AWW/MS/PA and Recruiting table there for five hours. The 9WR Auxiliary was invited to take a nine hour class and it was filled by the second most members from the Auxiliary ever. This was for the FEMA Class AWR 144; Port and Vessel Security for Public Safety and Maritime Personnel, that was taught on Friday, June 28th from 0800 to 1700 in Oak Forest, IL. Auxiliary members were there from Divisions; 33, 35, 37 and only one from 39, but who is a member of the Chicago Air Flotilla.

MT (Member Training), SO Mike Valente:

Michael A. Valente FLT. 39-02 Courses presented; Jan 2019 FORMS PRESENTATION by FSO-IS
 Feb 2019 ETHICS Mar 2019 SEXUAL HARASSMENT Apr 2019 UNIFORM PRESENTATION May
 2019 VE Workshop June 2019 Celebration of the flotilla's 60th Anniversary. No member training.
 July 2019 PV Workshop Thoughts for the future : I have been pondering the possibility of a div 39 Core
 Training event where all core training classes are presented in one day. This will be run by Div CDR , V
 Div CDR and DSO in a formal presentation.

Bill Russell Flt. 39-04 Courses Presented:

Conducted the 6 mandatory training classes on April 16th and 17th – we had members in the classroom
 and live streamed the presentations using Zoom to several members at home.

We are hosting a first aid/cpr/aed class for CGAux members at Chicago Maritime School on Monday
 April 29th Member training for MAY flotilla meeting is uniforms and procurement. JUNE M. Valente
 spoke to VFC Tishel and he mentioned a possible CPR course for the flotilla members.

Flotilla 39-06 FSO-MT Tom Remec

Topic 1: Common training to establish qualifications

Last year we performed the classroom portion of vessel examination training, and the season closed in
 on us before we were able to complete the training. This spring we will take those members who still
 need to perform their five VSC's under supervision and complete that task. This should begin next
 week. With respect to boat crew training, except for the signoff's, all of the dockside instruction has
 been completed. We continue to finish off the details so that all of the members can move forward and
 get the dockside signoff's completed so that they can get their gear issued to them and thereby be able
 to begin their underway task instruction and signoff's. Before the summer is over, we hope to have all
 students on the water and making significant progress toward completing this qualification.

Along these same lines, we have two members who are slowly making progress toward completing
 coxswain training. At least one of them should be able to finish this qualification before fall.

Another category of training is REYR. Flotilla members qualified in either crew and coxswain
 categories are included in the summation. One member has returned his PPE gear to the OTO's office.

Topic 2: Reduction of Flotilla 39 (06) Members in AP or IQ Status

AP Status: one flotilla member in 56 is still in AP status. This is 1.8% of flotilla membership as opposed
 to a district-wide fraction of 9.6%.

IQ Status: two flotilla members in 56 still in IQ status. This is 3.6% of flotilla membership as opposed to
 a district-wide fraction of 2.9%.

The monthly goal will be to reduce the number in each category by one until the flotilla reaches zero in
 each category. This will be achieved of monitoring the member's performance and having periodic
 meetings with the member as well as the mentor assigned to the member.

39-08 No member training June as there will be a barbecue

39-10 no information received

NS (Navigation Systems) SO, Rick McNulty: To date, all 095-39 assigned 2019 Class I PATONS
 have been verified and reported. All Class II PATONS need to be completed and reported by
 31JUL2019. I'd like to thank our Division AVs for getting their assignments in. We have three Class II
 Aids left to do by the end of the month, then it's on to the bridges.

2019 095-39 Class II Private Aid - Name	LLNR	Type	Sound	Charts	AV	Done
Chicago Harbor Navy Pier North Light	20012	LT		14926 / 14927 / 14928		
Chicago Harbor Filtration Plant Light B	20015	LT		14926 / 14928		
Diversy Harbor Entrance South Breakwater Lt.	20085	LT		14926 / 14927 / 14928		
Belmont Harbor Light	20090	LT		14905 / 14926 / 14927 / 14928	Gail Raith	X
Belmont Harbor Inner Light	20095	LT		14905 / 14926 / 14927 / 14928	Mike Raith	X
Montrose Breakwater Light	20105	LT		14926 / 14928	Mike Raith	X
Montrose Harbor East Breakwater Light	20110	LT		14926 / 14928	Gail Raith	X
Montrose Harbor West Breakwater Light	20115	LT		14926 / 14928	Gail Raith	X
Foster Avenue Pierhead Light	20140	LT		14926 / 14928	Gail Raith	X
Hollywood Avenue Breakwater Light	20145	LT		14926 / 14927	Gail Raith	X
Farwell Avenue Breakwater Light	20165	LT		14926 / 14927	R Dziagwa	X
Evanston Breakwater Light	20185	LT		14926 / 14927	R Dziagwa	X
Grossepont Light	20190	LT		14926 / 14928	R Dziagwa	X

39-06-AV Michael Raith COMPLETED
 39-08-AV Ronald Dziagwa COMPLETED

39-02 FSO-NS Report: Vacant FC Charles Herbert Hague – Nothing reported

39-04 FSO-NS Report: Avraham (na) Sigler – Nothing reported

39-06 FSO-NS Report: Michael Jacob Raith – Nothing reported

39-08 FSO-NS Report: Ronald Walter Dziagwa - Our Flotilla was given three more PATONS to be done by 31JUL in the second class round this year. All of them were done over a month ahead of time with no problem. The week 27 update to the 2019 USCG Light List, Volume Seven link is

here: <https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/?pageName=lightListWeeklyUpdates> The Ninth District Light List is updated still weekly and the "Summary of Corrections" can be viewed online at any time. Please

remember, anyone can and should always report a Discrepancy, but always check first to see if someone else has done that here. Here is the link to the latest report (27-2019) of corrections:

<https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/pdf/lightLists/corrections/V7D09.pdf>

39-10 FSO-NS Report: Vacant FC Brent Janssen Barker – Nothing reported

OP (Operations) SO Chas Hague:

Flotilla 29-02, Tim Darrey FSO-OP Patrols underway, EAA Oshkosh right a round the corner.

Flotilla 39-10, Joe Conte, FSO-OP Crew from Flotilla 39-10 participated in one patrol during June and have two more planned during July. Attended patrol planning meeting on 20 June.

PA (Public Affairs) SO Ron Dziagwa: 39-02 FSO-PA, Barry Jacobson: Nothing to report this month. 39-04 FC, Adam Klein; No report received, but one member is to be appointed as the FSO-PA in his Flotilla.

39-06 FSO-PA, Kimberly Saccaro: No report received.

39-08 FSO-PA, Ron Dziagwa: Report content repeated, please see FSO-MS report

39-10 FC, Brent Barker: No report received, but one new member will be the FSO-PA in his Flotilla.

095-39 SO-PA, Ron Dziagwa: No qualification / certification is needed to help out at Public Affair events, so there should not be a problem to get some members to volunteer some time at PA events, but there is. Right now only 13 members in our Division have logged any PA time from our 144 active members. I am asking all FCs and their FSO-PAs to please log your PA hours as such, since half of the year is already over and please tell me all of your future PA plans.

PB (Publications) SO Chas Hague: No report submitted

Flotilla 39-02, Chas Hague, FSO-PB: Bilgewater submitted 9 July

PE (Public Education) SO Bill Russell: No report submitted **The following report was submitted by 39-08: Our next ABS class will be sometime this year in Highland Park at the Nature Center as well as at the Yacht Club in Belmont Harbor. Our long time member Bernie Wiczer is still working to get that done.**

PV (Program Visitor) SO Ron Dziagwa: 39-02 FC, Chas Hague: No report received and still no one appointed to be the FSO-PV in his Flotilla.

39-04 FC, Adam Klein: No report received, but one member is to be appointed to be the FSO-PV in his Flotilla.

39-06 FSO-PV, Jay Katzman: No report received.

39-08 FSO-PV, Ron Dziagwa: At least one Recreational Boating Safety Program Visit was made each and every day since my last report, in and around the Chicago area by our Flotilla.

39-10 FSO-PV, Juanita Silva: No report received.

095-39 SO-PV, Ron Dziagwa: Since being a RBSPV is the easiest qualification to get and to keep current by doing just four visits each year, I am again asking our FCs and FSO-PVs to promote more members in obtaining this certification. If there is any need of help, all they have to do is email me and I will help them. We currently have 15 RBSPVs in our Division out of our 144 total members. That means right now we are averaging just a little over 34 PVs per certified/qualified RBSPV member in our Division, but some of them still have not logged any visits YTD. Please do so, since half of the year is now already over.

SR (Records) SO Bridget Darrey: See Attachment (SO-SR Report)

VE (Vessel Examiner) SO Marc Pullman: Through the leadership of George Moran, 39-06 organized VE blitzes at Belmont and Montrose Harbors in June. Despite the rain, several VEs worked the docks on June 15th in Montrose. The flotilla also helped mentor Wayne Warkenthien to attain VE qualification and continued to service boaters at Lloyd Beach and Highland Park both at the ramps and at the residences of the boat owners.

39-08 and 39-10 continued to aggressively inspect high focus crafts. National has rewarded each of these flotillas with a restocking of VE decals.

FLOTILLA COMMANDER REPORTS

Flotilla 39-02: FC Charles Hague, VFC Bridget Darrey: June Flotilla meeting was held briefly during a special dinner celebrating the 60th anniversary of Flotilla 39-02!

Flotilla 39-04: FC: Adam Klein, VFC: Moshe Tishel: 39-04 continues to focus on operations and vessel examinations. Some of our new members have completed VE and BQ2 and participate in the crew training program. We look forward to supporting Oshkosh in a few weeks.

Flotilla 39-06: FC John Lenhard, VFC Daniel O'Connell: With RBS being job #1 for the Auxiliary another critical mission is Vessel Exams. It is a pleasure to witness the success of our two most recent Chicago Harbor blitzes led by George Moran and Marc Pullman with over 45 boats examined. Thanks to all of the VE's that participated. It is also exciting to see John Robertson and George Moran receive their qualification as Vessel Examiners. Each will receive a ribbon for their uniforms.

Flotilla 39-08: FC Richard Grinius, VFC Ronald Dziagwa: Concerns from Division for lack of reporting by Flotilla and minimal ops.

Informed members I will be more proactive and involved with members and reporting to Division regarding activities. Pursuing PA accommodations at Oshkosh.

Air Facility 312TA will soon be requalified and Air OPS can resume.

The National Application for the NACO Three Star Award in Excellence for Diversity was again submitted on time by the Chicago Air Flotilla. Last year the Chicago Air Flotilla was one of the only three Flotillas in the 9WR out of the possible 48 Flotillas that also submitted the application on time.

Flotilla 39-10: FC Brent Barker, VFC Joseph Conte: No report from Flotilla 39-10

END OF AGENDA, STAFF AND FLOTILLA REPORTS