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 5 June, 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.

IMPORTANT MESSAGES:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Joe Conte

ATTENDEES: D-Capt South Sonny Thatch, DCDR Tim Darrey, VCDR Shawn Landa - From 39-02: FC/SO-OP, SO-PB Chas Hague, VFC/SO-SR Bridget Darrey, SO-HR/SO-IS Robert Reczek, SO-MT Mike Valente, Members Joel Smith and Ruben Howard - From 39-04: FC Adam Klein - From 39-06: FC John Lenhard, SO-MS Jay Katzman, SO-VE Marc Pullman, Members John Robertson and Anita Lutkus - From 39-08: VFC/SO-PA, SO-PV Ron Dziagwa — From 39-10: VFC Joe Conte

SWEARING IN OF OFFICERS and/or NEW MEMBERS: None

Approval of the Previous Meeting MINUTES for: MAY, 2019

1st motion: Adam Klein **2nd motion:** John Lenhard **Motion Carries?** Y <u>x</u> N ____ with amendments to the CS and PE reports from Ron Dziagwa.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS and NEW MEMBERS: Ruben Howard

DIVISION COMMANDER REPORTS: DCDR Tim Darrey

May Division meeting was a great success and well attended by 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.

National Safe Boating Week Recap – The 5/18 Belmont Harbor Blitz and the 5/19 Des Plaines River Canoe Marathons both resulted in 30 VEs each. The Diversey Harbor Blitz is 6/8&9 and the Montrose Harbor Blitz is 6/15.

Memorial Day Events - Winnetka Parade (John Lenhard, Shawn Landa pulled boat), Arlington Heights Parade (Rick McNulty and Bob Reczek), Chicago Yacht Club, Des Plaines and Rosemont Wreath Presentation (Chas Hague), VE Blitzes

Open House / Chili Cookoff - Next year's Open House needs to be promoted better/harder. There were six entries in the Chili Cookoff – this year's winner is Natalie Amaro from 39-4.

Reporting Responsibilities

Recruiting Responsibilities

Appointed Office (FSO and SO) and Event Responsibilities

Operations Scheduling

Flotilla 39-02 60th Anniversary

- 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	141	84%	+1%
Flotilla 39-02	24	92%	0%
Flotilla 39-04	28	68%	+7%
Flotilla 39-06	56	91%	-1%
Flotilla 39-08	16	81%	0%
Flotilla 39-10	17	76%	+1%

Note: These are raw numbers based on the AUXDATA report run 04 June, 2019 at 1245.

STAFF OFFICER	OFFICE	REPORT STATUS	ADDITIONS
Name			
CM – Greg Kmiec	Communications	Report Submitted	Absent
CS – Andrew Weiler	Comm Systems	Report Submitted	Absent
DV – Stuart Galesburg	Diversity	Nothing to Report	Absent but working diligently on the recruitment letter.
FN – Ron Tragasz	Finance	No Report Submitted	Absent
FS – Ron Dziagwa	Food Service	Report Submitted	Nothing new to add
HR – Robert Reczek	Human Resources	Report Submitted	Nothing new to add – Robo leads are quiet right now.
IS – Robert Reczek	Information Systems	Report Submitted	Get your hours submitted
MA – Ryan Joslyn	Materials	No Report Submitted	Absent
MS – Jay Katzman	Marine Safety	Report Submitted	Fox Lake is in a NO WAKE
			Zone. The Coast Guard has
			closed roads in Missouri due
			to flooding.
MT – Michael Valente	Member Training	Report Submitted	Nothing new to add
NS – Richard McNulty	Navigation Systems	Report Submitted	Absent
OP – Charles Hague	Operations	Report Submitted	Nothing new to add
PA – Ron Dziagwa	Public Affairs	Report Submitted	800 plus attended the Chicago Yacht Club Open House
PB – Charles Hague	Publications	Report Submitted	Send me your NSBW articles and pictures.
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	Flotilla 39-10 submitted 23 in
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MEETING RETURNS TO DCDR TIM DARREY

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS - None

COMMITTEE REPORTS - None

NEWS AND EVENTS (MARK YOUR CALENDARS)

Great Lakes Naval Base July 4th Patrol, July 13th Mackinaw Race, Dragon Boat Race, EAA AirVenture Oshkosh – Monday, 22 July through Sunday, 28 July, Big Shoulders Swimming Event, Tall Ships in Kenosha, Chicago Air and Water Show, The Coast Guard Band plays at Cantigny on August 11th.

AWARDS AND CERTIFICATES

Meritorious Team Commendation (2018 EAA AirVenture Auxiliary Water Safety Team) – Darrey, Bridget; Darrey, Timothy; Hague, Charles; Klein, Adam; Reczek, Robert

Vessel Examiner Qualification – George Moran

OPEN FORUM – Marc Pullman needs Oily Discharge Marpol Stickers if anyone has some extra. NS update: Patons assigned to Flotilla 39-08 were completed by May 30th. Station Wilmette Harbor needs more Auxiliary Watch Standers.

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

JULY REFRESHMENTS TO BE PROVIDED BY: Same

ADJOURNMENT

1st motion: Ron Dziagwa 2nd motion: Chas Hague 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: Offer-For-Use as a radio facility (7004) of a handheld marine radio from Flotilla 095-39-08 had been previously submitted to the DSO-CM. Currently waiting for the radio to appear in AUXDATA. DSO-CM has been advised.

CS (Communications Services), SO Andrew Weiler: Requested photos and posted those that I received to Facebook and Twitter feeds. Also will begin working on populating 9WR calendar with D39 scheduled events and share that info with all D39 FSO-CS officers. 39-08 FSO-CS report deleted due to content.

DV (Diversity), SO Stuart Galesburg: Nothing to Report

FN (Finance), SO Ron Tragasz: Ending balance as of 31 March is \$7792.06

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. 39-08 FSO-FS, Ron Dziagwa: A picnic connected with our June

Flotilla meeting will be at Bult Field before the start of summer. Cookies were served at our last Flotilla meeting and we again reserved 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: Our First Annual Chili Cook Off after this year's Station Wilmette Harbor's Open House was a success with six entries and twenty one people attending and voting at the event. The lunch BBQ was also a big success with a great attendance by all active duty there that day and by the auxiliarist who helped out at the Open House.

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: Participated in the Blessing of the Fleet that was held at Navy Pier on May 22nd. In honor of Memorial Day, MSU Chicago staff and volunteers from the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary marched in the Chicago Memorial Day Parade. Dignitaries included veteran and Senator Tammy Duckworth, Mayor of Chicago Lori Lightfoot, Brigadier General Kris Belanger of the 85th Support Command, with U.S. Army Reserve Major General Marion Garcia serving as Grand Marshall of the parade.

Starting June 1, Starved Rock and Marseilles locks on the Illinois Waterway will be closed to commercial and recreational traffic from 6 a.m.to 6 p.m. to prepare for upcoming major maintenance. The 12-hour closures will take place daily from June 1 to July 3 and from July 8 to Aug. 16. Both locks will be open for normal, 24-hour operation July 3-7 to clear any backlog of traffic and accommodate for increased recreational boating during the Independence Day holiday.

The Illinois Department of Natural Resources has closed access to the Fox River to recreational vessels between Stratton Lock and Dam south to the Bridge Street Bridge, in Lake, McHenry, Kane and Kendall Counties, due to hazardous conditions including swift current, floating debris, and submerged objects. Estimated duration of the closure is undetermined at this time.

Change of Command for Station Calumet Harbor was held on June 3rd. Change of Command for MSU Chicago will be on June 28th. CDR Zeita Merchant will be relieved by CDR Randy Preston.

Ron Dziagwa, FSO-MS, Report contents are reflected in 39-08 PA report

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 Work shop

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.

M. A. Valente fso mt 39-02 SO MT Div 39

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.

39-06

office.

Flotilla 39 (06) FSO-MT Report for May

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

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 information received as of 05-24

39-10 no information received as of 05-24

NS (Navigation Systems) SO, Rick McNulty: To date, the Division has only 3 currently qualified & PQS Aid Verifiers. 39-06 has Michael Raith & Gail Raith. 39-08 has Ronald Dziagwa. All Class I PATON verifications are due to be completed and reported by 31MAY2019. The assigned Class I PATONS that are still unverified and unreported, must be verified and reported asap. All Class II

PATONS need to be completed and reported by 30JUN2019. We have just received this week, a list of 44 bridges scheduled to be inspected covering the Main Chicago River Channel, South Branch, South Fork of South Branch & North Branch areas. It looks like 095-39 has been assigned 26 of them but the paperwork sent is of poor quality and I will need to clarify exactly what bridges we have been assigned. Fortunately, there is no time limit restrictions but they are expected to be completed this season. **Correction:** The additional Class I PATON, mentioned in the 39-08-NS report, that originally was assigned to 39-08-AV Ronald Dzaigwa, because it was near the location of another Class I PATON originally chosen by him, was completed and recorded 30MAY2019 by 39-06-AV Michael Raith. FOR THIS MONTH'S AMENDED PATON LIST PLEASE SEE ATTACHMENTS

2019 095-39 Class I Private Aid - Name	<u>LLNR</u>	Type	Sound	Charts
Northerly Island Danger Lighted Buoy A	19956	LB		14926 / 14928
Northerly Island Danger Lighted Buoy B	19956.1	LB		14926 / 14928
Northerly Island Danger Lighted Buoy C	19956.2	LB		14926 / 14928
William E. Dever Crib Light	20040	LT	HORN	14901 / 14905 / 14926 / 14927 / 14928
North Avenue Jetty Light	20055	LT		14926 / 14928
Wilson Avenue Breakwater Light	20130	LT		14926 / 14928
Wilson Avenue Intake Crib Light	20135	LT		14901 / 14905 / 14926 / 14927 / 14928
Wilmette Harbor Entrance North Light	20240	LT		14905 / 14926 / 14927
Wilmette Harbor Pierhead Light	20245	LT		14905 / 14926 / 14927

39-06-AV Michael Raith COMPLETED

39-08-AV Ronald Dziagwa

39-06-AV Gail Raith 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 Class I PATONS verified – 6

39-08 FSO-NS Report: Ronald Walter Dziagwa - I was given one additional ATON to verify and that was no problem. I would actually like to do more, but I understand to be fair, every qualified versifier with PQS should receive and equal amount. The problem again, was to get a crew and boat to do them on. Our Flotilla was to have done them all ourselves, but our coxswain was sent out of town on business and the ATONs had to again be check from land. The week 22 update to the 2019 USCG Light List, Volume Seven 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 hasn't already done that here. Here is the link to the latest report (22-2019) of corrections: https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/pdf/lightLists/corrections/V7D09.pdf End of my report.

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

OP (Operations) SO Chas Hague: Crew classes completed. Trainees now have to finish sign-offs, be issued gear, and get out on the water for training.

Operations Scheduling meeting called by Flotilla 06 FSO-OP Auchinleck 16 May. Other Division coxswains, crew, operatuions people were kindly invited. Scheduling of patrols for next month made. Facility 251067 is in the water, and patrols have begun.

PA (Public Affairs) SO Ron Dziagwa: 39-02 FSO-PA, Barry Jacobson:

Station Wilmette Harbor Open House
Des Plaines Park District Fun Fair
2 days PA at Cabela's with a 1 hour Paddlesport seminar
Des Plaines River Canoe Marathon
3 days PA at Bass Pro Shop

Flotilla is preparing for its 60th anniversary celebration

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:

I'm attaching a handout I gave at our last flotilla meeting as my PA report. Other than this, nothing more than to report.

39-08 FSO-PA, Ron Dziagwa:

The following PA 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 Flotilla's boating, water safety brochures, coloring & activity books for the children. We also were back at a Chicago Burger King in Chicago as well as a at a Burger King in Lincolnwood and at a Chicago McDonald's PalyPlace. Also, again we were at our monthly visit at the CiCi's More Than a Pizza Buffet in Niles on one of their Wednesday's Kids Day and also back at the Old Country Buffet in the Bricktown Square in Chicago, where we were there on four of their "Military Days".

We did have members from our Flotilla, helping out at the Open House at Station Wilmette Harbor for the start of National Safe Boating Week. For the first time ever, we were given a table in the "Commons Area" of the new Niles-Maine District Library on the last day of National Safe Boating Week and I do have to thank Paul Luna from Flotilla 39-06 for helping me out there. Our Flotilla actually did have some type of Public Affairs event on everyday again during National Safe Boating Week and on the Saturday after, at West Marine in Chicago, being again asked to be there. Adrienne Allen is also thanked for helping me out there from Flotilla 39-06.

May was ended by us also again having our Flotilla man a PA table at the Chicago Yacht Club's Annual Power and Sail In Water Tech Show in Monroe Harbor.

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. I needed more help at the Chicago Yacht Club's Annual Power and Sail In Water Tech Show and members from the Division did offer to help out.

The problem this year is that we promised them a U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Facility

there. In the future, back up plans will be put in place, but with over 600 registered boaters signed up to be there and with the other numerous yachts there on display, don't think our Aux Facility was

PB (Publications) SO Chas Hague: Need articles and photographs for June issue of 39er. Especially materials concerning Safe Boating week.

Flotilla 39-02: Bilgewater continues to go out monthly. Flotilla webpage being updated.

Flotilla 39-08: The cut off date for entries to our Second Quarterly Edition of the Chicago Air-Mail is 15JUN19. Our Flotilla members were asked to send in articles for publication before that date and our Flotilla has been very active on everyday during "National Safe Boating Week" as well as on "Wear Your Life Jacket to Work Day" and in the Memorial Day Parade. Hopefully some good pictures will also be turned in with the articles of the different events.

PE (Public Education) SO Bill Russell: No report submitted

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.

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

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

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

095-39 SO-PV, Ron Dziagwa: Since being a RSBPV is the easiest qualification to get and to keep current by doing just four visits each year, I am again asking our FCs to promote more members to obtain this certification. If their FSO-PV needs any help, all they have to do is email me and I will help them.

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

VE (Vessel Examiner) SO Marc Pullman: May weather was not conducive to VE activity; however the flotillas are working hard when the opportunity presents itself. <u>39-06</u> has been covering boat ramps at Highland Park and Lloyd Beach and had a successful blitz at Belmont Harbor on June 2. They have scheduled another blitz for Montrose Harbor for June 15 and all VEs are welcome to participate. <u>39-08</u> has been active and is working with the District to get more decals. <u>39-10</u> has been targeting canoes and row boats and expects to be active going forward.

New decals are only issued based on performance. Therefore, the importance of each flotilla timely filing VE results with its IS officer cannot be overemphasized.

FLOTILLA COMMANDER REPORTS

Flotilla 39-02: FC Charles Hague, VFC Bridget Darrey: Last Flotilla meeting 15 May. Training covered Vessel Safety Check workshop. Another new member has been brought on board. Paperwork is in process. Flotilla is heavily engaged with Safe Boating Week. We have gotten proclamations from several villages near Des Plaines. Our members were at the Station Wilmette Open House, The Spring Fun Fair in des Plaines, doing 22 VSC's at the Des Plaines River Canoe Marathon, and Public Affairs at Cabela's and Bass Pro Shop in Gurnee. Memorial Day events included parade in Arlington Heights, wreath laying in Des Plaines and Rosemont flag-raising. Plans are being made to get Facility 222033 repaired for patrols on the Chain of Lakes. June meeting will be special Flotilla 60th anniversary event, to be held 9 June at Club Casa. Invitiations have gone out.

Flotilla 39-04: FC: Adam Klein, VFC: Moshe Tishel: As our members and training continues to improve each month we are looking forward to a busy operational and VE season. At our monthly meeting Bill Russell put on a comprehensive training session about the different types, uses and limitations of distress signals.

Flotilla 39-06: FC John Lenhard, VFC Daniel O'Connell:

24 members and 4 guests were at the May 16 Flotilla meeting. Pizza was served, complements of the Flotilla for those arriving early for the Fellowship time. Chiara Awatraman was sworn in as a new member during the May meeting. During the last 2 weeks, 2 additional new member candidates were interviewed by Bob Mack and John Robertson with applications being completed, signed by John Lenhard and submitted. 39-06 Boat Crew in-port classes have been completed and trainees are finishing up their signoffs so they can get gear assigned. ABS classes continue at West Marine & Skokie, and blitzes are scheduled for Montrose & Belmont.

The Winnetka Memorial Day parade was a huge win for the Auxiliary thanks to Shawn Landa. Each year representatives from the various military branches in their dress uniforms ride in a convertible driven by a WW II veteran. Unfortunately, the gentleman died a few days before the parade so Winnetka asked us if we could help. Shawn stepped in at the last minute to pick up 090 at the station and pulled it in the parade so that those that were going to ride in the convertible could ride in 090 instead. Thanks Shawn!

Boat crew scheduling meeting in Skokie on May 16 met 39-06 objective to get Flotilla Operations back on track with 17 patrol dates scheduled through June 29. Coxswains, crew, & trainees across the Division were invited to participate. There are currently a total of 16 Flotilla members who are Coxswain, Boat Crew or trainees making Operations an important part of what we do. Division stakeholders are encouraged to come to agreement on next steps that will improve patrol planning and communication for all Coxswain, Crew, and Trainee across the Division as busy summer calendars begin to fill up with other activities.

Flotilla 39-08: FC Richard Grinius, VFC Ronald Dziagwa: No report from Flotilla 39-08

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

END OF AGENDA, STAFF AND FLOTILLA REPORTS