

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 2 October, 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. There will be a brief opportunity at 1815 prior to the above meeting to accommodate those in need of late-season PPE inspections and to discuss plans to remove 251067 from service.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by **Joe Conte**

ATTENDEES: DCDR Tim Darrey, VCDR Shawn Landa (called in) - From 39-02: FC/SO-PB, SO-OP Chas. Hague, VFC/SO-SR Bridget Darrey, SO-HR/SO-IS Robert Reczek – From 39-04 FC Adam Klein (called), Member Edward Brooks - From 39-06: FC John Lenhard, VFC Dan O’Connell, IPFC/SO-MS Jay Katzman, Members Gail Raith, Mike Raith, Anita Lutkus, William Luksha and John Roberston - From 39-08: VFC/SO-PA, SO-PV Ron Dziagwa – From 39-10: FC Brent Barker, VFC Joe Conte

SWEARING IN OF OFFICERS and/or NEW MEMBERS: None

Approval of the Previous Meeting MINUTES for: September 2019

1st motion: Chas. Hague **2nd motion:** John Lenhard **Motion Carries?** Y x N _____

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS and NEW MEMBERS: None

DIVISION COMMANDER REPORTS: DCDR Tim Darrey

D-Train, 18, 19 & 20 October

Appreciation for all of the examples in D39 promoting the Commodore’s initiative to combat dramatic increase in drownings on the Great Lakes.

Successful September Division meeting was attended by at least 11 members. Chris Barker from 39-10 was sworn in. 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.

Election Committees and Succession Plans – 5 Flotillas PLUS Division, Expectations

Discussion of late season surface operations opportunities. Plans for 067 Removal from Service

- 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 (Staff Reports reviewed by DCDR due to VCDR attending meeting remotely.)

CORE TRAINING

UNIT	MEMBERS	% COMPLETE	CHANGE
Division 39	147 (+2)	86%	+0%

Flotilla 39-02	25	92%	-4%
Flotilla 39-04	26	73%	+0%
Flotilla 39-06	61 (+1)	93%	+1%
Flotilla 39-08	18 (+1)	83%	+1%
Flotilla 39-10	17	76%	+0%

Note: These are raw numbers based on the AUXDATA report run 01 October, 2019 at 1925.

STAFF OFFICER	OFFICE	REPORT STATUS	ADDITIONS
Name			
Greg Kmiec	CM -Communications	No Report Submitted	Report Submitted – Ron to Send
Andrew Weiler	CS -Comm Systems	Report Submitted	Absent
Stuart Galesburg	DV – Diversity	No Report Submitted	Absent
Ron Tragasz	FN – Finance	Report Submitted	Absent
Ron Dziagwa	FS – Food Service	Report Submitted	Nothing to add
Robert Reczek	HR – Human Resources	Report Submitted	Lee Bahcall is back from vacation, IDs are being moved through.
Robert Reczek	IS – Information Systems	Report Submitted	At this time only new members are required to complete BQII. Get your hours in.
Ryan Joslyn	MA – Materials	No Report Submitted	Absent
Jay Katzman	MS – Marine Safety	Report Submitted	All of the locks and dams in the State of IL will be closed for repairs at the same time. A second fish barrier is in the works. Fiberglass boats with a gas engines do not qualify for Charter or T Boat status.
Michael Valente	MT – Member Training	Report Submitted	Absent
Richard McNulty	NS - Navigation Systems	No Report Submitted	Absent - Recently submitted his letter of resignation from this position
Charles Hague	OP – Operations	Report Submitted	Nothing to add
Ron Dziagwa	PA – Public Affairs	Report Submitted	Would like to see more PA events.
Charles Hague	PB – Publications	No Report Submitted	Nothing to add
Bill Russell	PE – Public Education	No Report Submitted	Absent
Ron Dziagwa	PV – Program Visitor	Report Submitted	Nothing to add – Sent Report
Bridget Darrey	SR – Secretary/Records	Report Submitted	Nothing to add
Marc Pullman	VE – Vessel Examination	Report Submitted	Absent

MEETING RETURNS TO DCDR TIM DARREY

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS - None

COMMITTEE REPORTS – Election Committee, candidates for DCDR are Tim Darrey and Ron Dziagwa, the candidate for VCDR is Shawn Landa.

NEWS AND EVENTS (MARK YOUR CALENDARS) Evanston Swims will take place the first Wednesday in February and May– Monthly planning meeting are just starting.

Encourage your new members (as well as your existing members) to attend D-Train.

AWARDS AND CERTIFICATES – None

OPEN FORUM

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

NOVEMBER REFRESHMENTS TO BE PROVIDED BY: Same

ADJOURNMENT

1st motion: Chas. Hague **2nd motion:** Ron Dziagwa **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 39-08 submitted: We are still waiting, to get one of our Hand-Held Flotilla radios entered in AUXDATA, that has been inspected. It did pass the inspection, but was never entered in AUXDATA. In another matter, our AC has remarked to me that the noise cancelling device on his radio/headset is not working properly and I was wondering if the SO-CM can help us out with that also. I'm sure maybe a quick phone call to the AC might just solve the problem.

CS (Communications Services), SO Andrew Weiler: SO-CS: I generated the email for the new social media sites, and have been posting some stuff. 39-08: With the help of our SO-CS, our Flotilla's website was again updated since my last month's report, but that link that was added no longer works. I asked the author of the spread sheet and he just gave me another link to it that does work. I will have to get with the SO-CS to find out why this happened. Info is updated on that Link and it can not be found in AUXDATA, so it is quite important I also still need help now in putting in our quarterly newsletters and meeting minutes on our web-page, so they can be accessed by anyone, like some of the other Flotillas do already have set and I will also talk to the SO-CS about that at the Division meeting. 39-02: Nothing new to report

DV (Diversity), SO Stuart Galesburg: No Report Submitted 39-08 submitted: Our DCO did state that none of the awards were presented this year at NACON and I did tell my FC that I was told by National, that our Flotilla was a winner of The NACO Three Star Award for Excellence in Diversity.

FN (Finance), SO Ron Tragasz: See 08/25/2019 bank statement under attachments, Balance \$3016.69

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 both her and Mike have logged FS time this year.

39-08 FSO-FS, Ron Dziagwa: In the Balloon Room with a great airport view of the Schaumburg Regional Airport for our annual Flotilla Dinner in September started out slowly at 1800 in Pilot Pete's Restaurant with only two members there. By the time of the meeting, before the start of the actual dinner, we had eight members there and were able to also swear in our latest new member Dave Montgomery. A good time and good food at this one time award winning airport restaurant was appreciated by all there. Right now, just snacks are planned for our next Flotilla meeting.

39-10 FSO-FS, Brent Barker:

No report received.

095-39 SO-FS, Ron Dziagwa:

The Division monthly meetings are continuing with Fellowship starting at 1900 with food that can be purchased for \$7.00 and my suggestion to email out what food will be actually be there monthly to purchase was turned done for a good reason by the DCDR. They food that is actually purchased is based on the lowest price for the food. This can not be know until the date of the purchase, based on the availability of the food on that

Wednesday of the Division meeting. Also remember, your \$7.00 does also go towards paying for the food and fellowship with the Active Duty that will be stationed there on that day

Lastly, we only have three FS members logging any time in our Division in 2019 so far. Since 2009 when the FS Program started, we only have 6 members logging in any FS time. We are now starting the fourth quarter of the year, so please send in any of your FS time done to your FSO-IS for AUXDATA entry. There are opportunities out there and the last one was on Friday 27SEP19 at SWH. We do have at least one other member interested in getting FS certified, but the next training for that won't be until May of next year. If there is any other Division 39 members interested in joining the FS Program, please let me know so I can keep them updated.

HR (Human Resources), SO Robert Reczek: See attachments

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

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

MS (Marine Safety), SO Jay Katzman: As the military services each roll out new policies regarding hemp-derived products like cannabidiol, or CBD, the Defense Department is not mincing words.

"It's completely forbidden for use by any service member in any of the services at this point of time," said Patricia Deuster, Director of the Human Performance Laboratory at the Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences in Bethesda, Maryland.

The warning, along with the policies issued recently by the Air Force, Coast Guard and Department of the Navy, comes as CBD is becoming increasingly ever present across the country in many forms, from coffee additives and vaping liquids to tinctures, candies and other foods, carrying promises of health benefits ranging from pain and anxiety relief to sleeping aids and inflammation reduction.

In July, Coast Guard Commandant ADM. Karl Schultz issued a Coast Guard-wide message reiterating the military's "zero tolerance" policy on marijuana use and announcing a ban on Coast Guardsmen entering shops and mobile dispensaries and using online stores or delivery services that sell marijuana.

Hemp was removed from the federal government's list of controlled substances under the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018, which passed last December. By law, hemp that contains less than .3 percent THC (delta-9-tetrahydrocannabinol, the psychoactive ingredient in marijuana, is legal.

But while the legislation removed cannabidiol from the Schedule I list of illicit substances, it did not necessarily legalize all CBD products. And since the products are unregulated and untested, there's no way to tell exactly what a person is buying or using.

But that order did not specifically address CBD use. In an interview with CDR. Matt Rooney, Chief of the Policy and Standards Division at Coast Guard Headquarters, said members should "err on the side of caution." "If they have a desire to use a product that may or may not fall into the definition of what's prohibited, they should seek guidance or use caution."

Deuster said service members need to understand that, although CBD products are popping up everywhere, it remains illegal under federal law for CBD to be listed as a dietary supplement or appear in food. The problem is there is no regulatory framework to ensure that the CBD products being sold meet the Farm Act," Deuster said, adding that there is no research, other than studies done on the impact of CBD on seizures, to support many of the claims made by product manufacturers.

"CBD is everywhere. We are waiting for the FDA to do something," "Don't believe what the companies are telling you," Deuster said.

Ron Dziagwa, FSO-MS – 08 We again this year, on the first Tuesday of the month in August, had my version of the "Do You Know Where Your Litter Is" game at the very large National Night Out Annual Event in Norwood Park hosted by the 16th Chicago Police Department. Besides the Litter Game, which is very popular, I also manned our AWW/PA and Recruiting table there for six hours. We also helped out again playing the Litter Game, the Extremely Popular and most attended Chicago event of every year, at the Chicago Air and Water Show.

MT (Member Training), SO Mike Valente: SEPTEMBER, 2019 EVENTS / ACTIONS

39-02 Meeting / Social NO MEMBER TRAINING 39-04 NO REPORT REC FOR SEP. 39-06

NO REPORT REC FOR SEP. 39-08 We have two new members and they each have been given a mentor to help them go through the CT and BQII. Both will complete and then look to go into the aviation track. We even had another legacy member express interest in doing the CT and we assigned him a mentor too. 5We think this time may be different this time around. 5The September flotilla meeting was a dinner so no formal training was given. 5However working on boat crew for two members with training on the dock and on the boat. 5Don't expect them to finish this year, as they had a very late start. 39-10 NO REPORT REC FOR SEP

- COMPLETED ITEMS

39-02

Courses Presented:

JAN 2019 FORMS PRESENTATION by fso IS
FEB ETHICS by fso MT
MAR SEXUAL HARASSMENT by fso MT
APR UNIFORM PRESENTATION by fso OP
MAY VE WORKSHOP by fso PA
JUN FLT 60
TH

ANNIV NO MEMBER TRAINING

JUL PV WORKSHOP by fso PA

AUG SECURITY AWARENESS by vfc

SEP Social hosted by R. Reczek No mem Training

39-04

Conducted all six core courses in APR 2019

Uniform Procurement MAY 2019

39-06

May VSC supervisory training

All dock side crew training completed

For further information please see previous months SO MT Report to DSO 39-08

All mandatory training completed 39-10

* indicates no reports submitted

NS (Navigation Systems) SO, Rick McNulty: No Report Submitted (Note, Rick McNulty had previously tendered his resignation from the position of SO-NS. He still is the staff officer of record and, as such is still listed) 39-08 submitted: I am still trying to get patrols to do some Bridge Verifications, but not having any luck. As I stated last month, too many of the surface patrols are being done now completing boat crew training and there is no time for actual patrols to get this done. I was told that some of the bridges have been inspected on the south branch of the Chicago River. If anyone knows of a facility and crew that would be available to get more of them verified, please let me know.

The week 39 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 hasn't already done that here. Here is the link to the latest report (39-2019) Summary of Corrections:

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

OP (Operations) SO Chas Hague: The Division wide October scheduling meeting was held Thursday, September 19. Planning for patrols for the remainder of the year was done.

The Tuff Cup scull races were held September 28. No Patrol boats were active due to high winds predicted.

This note from Bob Auchinleck:

2019 Operation Season Retro If you were not able to attend the scheduling meeting to provide feedback, please take a moment to share your thoughts so that we can continually improve the program. No topic, thought, or idea is taboo and you are welcome to comment on anything - including my facilitation of the scheduling this year.

All feedback will be included in a team wide report (less names) and a follow up meeting will be scheduled so that we can problem solve and brainstorm on ideas. Everyone will be invited to participate. When giving your feedback - please think of these three questions.

- 1) What worked well this year (ie. we should keep doing it next year)?
- 2) What did not work well this year (ie. what should we stop doing)?
- 3) What do we need to improve upon?

Your feedback really is important and will help make the program better.

Flotilla reports:

39-02: (From SO-OP) Still available for patrols as boats available. Facility 222033 getting replacement fuel pump.

39-02 (From FSO-OP) 1) Patrols tapering down for season. 2) 222033 has been moved to Sigler's owned and operated by two D39 Auxiliarists. 3) PPE issued still waiting to be distributed to several crew trainees, including 39-02

39-04: No report received

39-06: Patrols posted to Division patrol page.

39-08: Surface ops for September 2019; total hours not yet available. Air ops for September 2019; 9 hours. F7 area patrol: Green Bay, Sturgeon Bay. F5 area patrol: Racine, Milwaukee, Port Washington, Manitowoc, Kewaunee.

39-10: Crew from Flotilla 39-10 participated in two patrols from Station Wilmette Harbor during September. Attended patrol planning meeting on 19SEPT.

PA (Public Affairs) SO Ron Dziagwa: 39-02 FSO-PA, Barry Jacobson: No report received.

39-04 FC, Adam Klein : No report received, but one member is to be appointed as the FSO-PA in his Flotilla, but still no update. 39-06 FSO-PA, Kimberly Saccaro: No report received, but I was told at the last Division meeting that she was sick and I suggested an assistant be appointed to help her out..

39-08 FSO-PA, Ron Dziagwa: The following PA events were held by our Flotilla since my last report. We again were back at the William Tell Holiday Inn located in Countryside, IL this year, for their annual Active Senior Expo. We also again held our monthly event at the CiCi's More Than a Pizza Buffet in Niles with our boating and water safety brochures. September was another busy month for us and we were very busy back at the Old Country Buffet in the Bricktown Square in Chicago, where we were there on four of their "Military Days". We again this year, on a very busy Sunday, were asked to be at their 3rd Annual HOW-TO FEST at the one time National Award Winner for being the Best Library in the Nation, the Skokie Public Library. We were one of fourteen stations throughout the first floor of the library. Patrons entering the library were given a map of the stations locations, on where they can learn and experience new things, while at the library that Sunday. Our given station was the Best, right by the main entrance/exit to the library. We actually had two tables there, also providing AWW/MS and Recruiting info/brochures for all there to help themselves. 39-10 FC, Brent Barker: No report received, but one new member will soon be the FSO-PA in his Flotilla, but still no update on that.

095-39 SO-PA, Ron Dziagwa: In September at both the Active Senior Expo at the William Tell Holiday Inn in Countryside and at the How-To Fest in the Skokie Public Library, other Division members; Paula Wix from 39-02 and Anita Lutkus from 39-06 did volunteer their time there one at each, to help me out and make both of these large events a great success. My sincere thanks goes out to both of them.

No qualification/certification is needed to help out at Public Affair events. Right now only 14 members in our Division have logged any PA time from our 147 active members. Those fourteen members have our total PA time for 2019 up to 509 hours. Last year we had 20 members logging PA time that gave a total of 681 hours for the year and with one fourth of the year still ahead of us, we should beat last year's hours, but we need more members doing PA events. Since 2002, 77 Division 39 members have logged PA time from our Division,

so please log your PA time on a Form 7030 using code 10J and turn those reports in to your FSO-IS for AUXDATA entry. We still have one quarter of the year left to have PA events or be at other events promoting the USCG-Auxiliary. I am again asking all FCs and their FSO-PAs to please have their Flotilla members participate at PA events and log your PA hours as such. Since three fourths of the year is already over please don't overload you FSO-IS members on the last days and inform me all of your future PA plans

PB (Publications) SO Chas Hague: No Division report submitted 39-08 submitted: Since our Flotilla has been very busy in the Third Quarter, many articles have been turned in and as of this writing on 26SEP19, work is still being done by myself, to get the newsletter out by the time of the actual Division meeting. With a little less of sleep time, I will make that happen. So many pics and Movies/Videos of what was done by our Flotilla in the Third Quarter, that a lot of it was also sent for publication in the Thirty-Niner.

PE (Public Education) SO Bill Russell: No report submitted 39-08 submitted: Still waiting for an order I put in for new ABS books and State of Illinois tests to be printed to replace the about 25 our Flotilla had, but were lost. Our next ABS class is still pending this year in Highland Park at the Nature Center as well as or just at the Chicago Yacht Club in Belmont Harbor. No update was received from Bernie Wiczer, but I'm sure he is still working to get that done. We still have one new member that also needs the ABS class and somehow, I will make sure he does at least completes that requirement this year.

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, but is to be. 39-04 FC, Adam Klein: No report received, but one member is to be appointed to be the FSO-PV in his Flotilla, but no update. 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 very day since my last report, in and around the Chicago-land area by our Flotilla. One of our members that did take and pass the On Line PV test, but still has not completed his requirements to be certified as a PV, did get back to me and stated he no longer has any interest in the PV program. We are also, still planning to hold a 2019 PV Workshop at one of our future Flotilla meetings. 39-10 FSO-PV, Juanita Silva: No report received. 095-39 SO-PV, Ron Dziagwa: The new target date for Flotilla 39-08 to hold the PV Workshop is now at 1830 before the start of their November meeting, but again there will be meeting room scheduling problem with the Chicago Glider Club that also meets there this year on the third Monday of the month. 39-08's Flotilla meeting will again, this year, have to be on the fourth Monday in November. I spoke to the FC and this should be cleared up next year. Members in our Division have been told that being certified as a Program Visitor is one of the easiest qualifications to get and keep, by only having to do four Program Visits a year. Going with brochures to your dentist twice a year, for your yearly doctor check up and just leaving brochures at one public location of your choice, is all you have to do to keep current. Of course we would like you to do more than just the minimum year, to help further promote Boating and Water Safety. The problem is that we only have 9 members doing any PVs this year in our Division out of our 147 members. Since 2002, only a total of 24 Division 39 members have ever done any PVs. Anyone interested in becoming a Program Visitor please contact your FSO-PV and if any help is needed, please contact me also through the CoL.

SR (Records) SO Bridget Darrey: Report: 39-08 has continued its VE activity through the month of September. 39-10 succeeded in performing 39 safety checks. I will not be able to attend the October meeting and would like to request that the status of 067 be put on an agenda for discussion, either for the October or later meeting. I would suggest that the following points be discussed: (1) ascertaining the extent and estimated cost of necessary repairs; (2) raising funds to defray the expenses; and (3) gauging the extent of Member interest in participating in WWSPA.

FLOTILLA COMMANDER REPORTS

Flotilla 39-02: FC Charles Hague, VFC Bridget Darrey: No Report Submitted.

Flotilla 39-04: FC: Adam Klein, VFC: Moshe Tishel: No Report Submitted

Flotilla 39-06: FC John Lenhard, VFC Daniel O'Connell 17 members attended September 19 Flotilla meeting. Swore in new member Andrew Grossman. New member Jacob Koenigsberg has completed all core training including ABS and has been moved to BQ status. Multiple reminders to all flotilla members to consider submitting letter of intent to run for office. Letters of intent have been submitted to screening committee for FC & VFC. Lenhard, Auchinleck, O'Connell, and Vlach all completed and passed their three-year boat crew check ride in September. We are hoping to complete Boat crew qualification check rides for three trainees before the season closes."

Flotilla 39-08: FC Richard Grinius, VFC Ronald Dziagwa: See SO-SR Report for 39-08 September Meeting Minutes

Flotilla 39-10: FC Brent Barker, VFC Joseph Conte: No Report Submitted

END OF MINUTES, STAFF AND FLOTILLA REPORTS