

MINUTES OF DISTRICT D11N TELEPHONE BOARD MEETING  
10 February 2010

The meeting was called to order at 1900 PST by DCO Mike Williams.

PRESENT:

DCO Mike Williams	Mark McLaughlin, DCDR-6
Angelo Perata, COS	Larry Kelley, DCDR-7
Rod Collins, DCAPT-RBS	Richard Thomas, DCDR-8
Wayne Farnholtz, DCAPT-RES	Rod Rollins, DCDR-10
Dean LaChapelle, DCAPT-SUP	David Law, DCDR-11
CDR David Chareonsuphiphat, DIRAUX	Roger Haynes, DCDR-12
Mary Kirkwood, DCDR-1	Judy Esteban, P-PCA
Bob Gwaltney, DCDR-3	CWO Danny Kilburger, OTO
Paul Verveniotis, DCDR-4	Joyce Bell, DSO-SR
Curtis Han, DCDR-5	

OLD BUSINESS

District Goals – DCO Williams reminded DCDRs that if they didn't get a copy of the district goals, please get with your DCAPT for a copy. We would like to discuss these at D-Train. We want to focus on RBS activities and Recruiting and Retention.

MS – Sue Fry is the new DSO-MS.

ASC – Steve Salmon has resigned because of some serious eye problems. Bob Hendry has been appointed to be the new ASC.

NEW BUSINESS

DCO Report – DCP Williams reported on the following:

- We have a new 7029 form, which is designed to chart our real value to the Coast Guard. CDR Chareonsuphiphat was responsible for promoting this new method, which shows the value of all of our hours and removed the "black hole" perception of those previously under-reported hours.
- Facility owners are encouraged to get photos of their facilities in POMS. The new AUX Manual should be out before 2011. It will be a CD, only.
- AUXOP program changes are coming. The new program will require AUXSEA ,AUX NAV and AUXPAT, plus 5 electives from a course list that is still being developed.
- The 2010 VSC decals are out. However, the decal backing is not scored, so it's difficult to remove. Please alert all of your VE's of this problem.
- Progressive Insurance is sponsoring a literature rack which will be made available for all PV's.
- 2010 will have more classes required. They will be: Sexual Harassment Prevention, Diversity, Security, H1N1 Influenza, OPS (for D11N only) and the annual TCT.

- The ferry vessel audit program, which has been operating under prototype program, is being looked at to go National.
- NACON will be in Scottsdale AZ. We will have the new Commandant attending.
- CG Modernization has passed the House. They are now waiting for further action.
- There will be no SAR competition in 2010.
- In order to take the AUXSCE course, you must have completed AUXNAV first.
- National is working to upgrade several of the AUXOP courses.
- The AUX Manual always trumps anything in Standing Rules, so they're working on new Standing Rules templates. If a unit's Standing Rules are more than 5 years old, they need to be looked at.
- The AIM program is still continuing as it is.
- New ODUs are now available, but they must be purchased in sets. The old ODU trousers don't go with new shirt. Sew-on office devices are a black "A".

D-Train – Phil Sanchez, EP reported as follows:

- The training schedule is available on the web.
- The Admiral will host an all-hands meeting Saturday afternoon.
- We will be adding course descriptions to the classes.
- Registrations are coming in. Remember the cut-off date is February 15 for the early-bird special drawing.
- Hotel reservations at the \$99 price must be made by 15 March. The way they are going, we may run out of rooms at that \$99 price, so don't procrastinate.
- The D-Train format is similar to last year.
- Registration and training rooms will be in the same areas as last year. The restaurant will be open for lunch and dinner during the entire time of D-Train.
- Friday fun night will have the same group as last year.
- New members in 2009 and 2010 will have their registration fee waived and will be eligible for a 20% discount at district store. New members will have "new member" designation on the name tags, which can be used for identification at the store.

## NEW BUSINESS

ICS-210 – COW Danny Kilburger, OTO reported as follows:

- The original March 2009 deadline was extended to March 2010. Headquarters has called asking for number needing the class, and that information has been supplied.
- We have more upcoming members who need it.
- The problem is getting instructors for the training. We don't know the answer yet to that, but when it is known Kilburger will make sure DCO Williams is notified.
- CDR Chareonsuphiphat reported that DCO Williams went to bat at the last conference to get better access for this class. There has been no consideration for people in the pipeline. We need to figure out a way to get people in the outlying areas trained ASAP.
- Kirkwood reported that there are three spots still available in the morning ICS-210 class at the PCA fair.

November Elected Officer Training – DCO Williams reported that this has been moving to November for the 2011 elected officers. Please encourage elections in time for the newly-elected officers to attend.

This will give them an opportunity to begin planning right after elections. We will have information about funding later.

Awards – DCO Williams reported that several awards will be given out at D-Train. When recipient names are known, the DCAPTs will notify their DCDR if a member of that division is going to get an award. This will give you an opportunity to encourage them to be there. If an award recipient is not there, the name will not be read.

## REPORTS

Mary Kirkwood, DCDR-1 – Report on file . The starting \_\_\_\_\_ year weather has been a little rough, but we have had a few exercises. We are working on a spring OPTREX, probably early June. We also have several PE classes planned.

Bob Gwaltney, DCDR-3 – Report on file . \_\_\_\_\_ Several PE classes are being offered. An AWW coordinator has been appointed. The division received a donation from WalMart. An exhibit booth was a great success.

Paul Verveniotis, DCDR-4 – Report on file . Two \_\_\_\_\_ PE classes have been scheduled. All of the current Coxswains have taken ICS-210. We have 10 members interested in MS training. The division's Standing Rules need to be updated, and this is being done. An AWW coordinator has been appointed. We are working on an OPTREX. We have over 70% who have requals due this year.

Curtis Han, DCDR-5 – Report on file . \_\_\_\_\_ We're off to a good start on VE and PE missions. We have had some patrols, and a successful call-out drill earlier. AWW and NSBW chairs have been appointed. There will be an OPTREX on 24-25 April at STN Vallejo.

Mark McLaughlin, DCDR-6 – Report on file . We \_\_\_\_\_ are preparing for our 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Valentine's Day banquet, which is hosted by the division for Coast Guard members and their families.

Larry Kelley, DCDR-7 – Report on file . \_\_\_\_\_ We are currently involved in indoor boat show. We are planning OPTREX's for June and mid-August. Currently we have an equal number of crew and coxswains. We are now coordinating with Utah State for a joint operation for NSBW at Utah Lake.

Richard Thomas, DCDR-8 – Report on file . Crescent City \_\_\_\_\_ is doing well with new members. Eureka is working with K-Mart on a life jacket giveaway. Mendocino County is involved in the Whale Festival planning. Lake County is planning a St Patrick's Day feed. Thomas was invited to witness the turning off of the LORAN stations.

Rod Rollins, DCDR-10 – Report on file . \_\_\_\_\_ We are working on OPTREXs, and are currently involved in the boat show.

David Law, DCDR-11 – Report on file . We will \_\_\_\_\_ be providing patrols for several fishing derbies during February, with both facility and radio patrols.

Roger Haynes, DCDR-12 – Report on file . \_\_\_\_\_ An AWW chairman has been appointed. There will be an OPTREX June 19, location not selected yet. Our flotillas are more active than usual. They are scheduling PE classes and OPS missions. Members of the division have expressed interest in "Save the

PCA Fun Run.” They are willing to volunteer and help with that event. There have been several reports that the E-learning center is having trouble and is not on line.

Judy Esteban, P-PCA – Report on file . As of today, 203 people have enrolled in the PCA fair.

Rod Collins, DCDR-RBS – Report on file . Thanks to all of the divisions who have appointed AWW coordinators. They will be contacted soon. If you haven’t appointed a coordinated, please get one appointed. Jerry McAlwee will be the NSBW coordinator. Each division should send the name of its NSBW coordinator to McAlwee.

Wayne Farnholtz, DCDR-RES – Farnholtz attended N-Train. A new ASC has been appointed, Bob Hendry. Joint OPTREX at Brannan Island is being planned for in the fall. The Antlers OPTREX at Lake Shasta is coming up. Members are encouraged to continually look at calendar to see where activities are. Everyone invited to all of them. Farnholtz is working on a timed exercise at STN Rio Vista.

Dean LaChapelle, DCDR-SUP – Report on file . LaChapelle was also able to attend the shut-down of the LORAN system. GPS no longer has a back-up.

Angelo Perata, COS – Report on file . At D-Train there will be a DCDR meeting at 1215 on Friday, with the District Board meeting at 1400.

CDR Chareonsuphiphat, DIRAUX – Staff are preparing D-Train awards, and CDR Chareonsuphiphat is working on information for the Admiral’s speech. At N-Train he was able to report on the value of Auxiliary during 2009. He is developing a score card for the Auxiliary statistics. CDR Chareonsuphiphat requested that Esteban and CWO Kilburger get together on the Auxiliary Memorial. We hope to have something soon.

CWO Danny Kilburger, OTO – CWO Kilburger received good feedback on his discipline presented at the elected officer training. He is currently working on awards for D-Train. CWO Kilburger commended the work done by Roger Haynes and his team on the lighthouse refurbishing.

#### FINAL COMMENTS

DCO Williams –

- Encouraged member participation in the training aids, scrapbooks and publications awards at D-Train.
- Emphasis for this year is on RBS. This is our primary mission.
- DCO Williams is preparing information for the Admiral to use in his presentation at D-Train. All DCDRs were asked to furnish DCO Williams with one short paragraph highlighting their division’s accomplishment during 2009. Send the paragraph to Bell by the end of the work day on Friday, 12 February.
- An ALCOAST bulletin has just been sent out with information on ADM Allen final report on the state of the Coast Guard.

Wayne Farnholtz – Remind facility owners to get vessel photos into POMs

Richard Thomas – The PS officer title has changed. It is now DSO-HR.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2000 PST.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Bell, DSO-SR