

US COAST GUARD AUXILIARY  
DISTRICT 11NR TELEPHONE BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
18 AUGUST 2010

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

PRESENT:

DCO Mike Williams	Curtis Han, DCDR-5
Angelo Perata, COS	Mark McLaughlin, DCDR-6
COMO Vic Connell, IPDCO/DNACO-R	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	Joyce Bell, DSO-SR
Paul Verveniotis, DCDR-4	

OLD BUSINESS

District Elections – DCO Williams announced that district elections will be held during the 11 September District Board and Staff meeting. The meeting will begin at 0930. Candidates are as follows:

For the office of District Commodore: Angelo Perata

For the office of District Chief of Staff: Rod Collins

For the office of District Captain (3):

Judy Esteban  
Sue Fry  
Mary Kirkwood  
Dean LaChapelle  
Mark McLaughlin  
Mike Nolan  
Richard Thomas  
Paul Verveniotis

Nominations may be made from the floor on the day of elections.

Webinar – DCO Williams reported that EXCOM had a demonstration of this system during its last meeting. We will be considering using it for future board meetings and also allowing divisions to use it for their division board meetings and for training. This is a tool which we can use to help save funding and to assist divisions that are spread apart.

Dean LaChapelle described the system as follows:

- Webinar is a computer-based meeting system that will allow up to 100 people to log onto the meeting, with no limit to the number of meetings held.
- Participants can use power point and similar programs to pass information back and forth

- Jim Duncan is using a smaller system now for his NavAids class The system he is using is Go to Meeting
- Webinair includes Go to Meeting.

Hopefully this system will help us to save money and increase member training opportunities. Mike Marseille is developing a team to put the program together and schedule meetings. We are currently looking at funding. Cost of the program is \$1000/year.

November Elected Officer Leadership Academy – LaChapelle reported that the DSO-MT is putting the final touches on the program, which is scheduled for 20-21 November. The Academy was moved to November to give newly-elected officers some lead time to begin planning. Please encourage your flotillas to have their elections before the November meeting so their newly-elected FC's can attend. We are working on a stipend for newly-elected FC's. There will be further information on what that will be in September.

## NEW BUSINESS

Budget – CDR Chareonsuphiphat reported that we may get funded at the same level as last year, but inflation will make it less. We probably won't know what we will get until Decemer/January when Congress approves the budget. It looks like our 1<sup>st</sup> quarter will be the same as last year. There is some news that there will be some additional budget cuts. We were fortunate with our cuts, which was only one meeting.

DCO Williams reported that they have moved the EXCOM to Friday night, and the District Board and Staff meeting will now all begin 0930 so the board doesn't have to stay over Saturday night. Our COS is working on the 2011calendar and we hope to have it by November.

Division Elections – DCO Williams asked the divisions to give their DCAPT the dates of their elections. If your DCAPT can't attend, we need to have someone else attend in his place. Make sure all candidates are vetted prior to elections. The division nominations committee should present its slate of office 30 days in advance.

COW Schedule – DCO Williams reminded DCAPTs to please give their DCAPT information on the COW date and location, and what expected uniform is required for the silver and gold side.

## REPORTS

Mary Kirkwood, DCDR 1 – The division was involved with the San Francisco fireworks display and a Cops 'n Kids event. They also will participate with the San Francisco General Hospital in a simulated disaster event on September 15. There will be a fall OPTREX on October 30.

Bob Gwaltney, DCDR- 3 – Report on file. The division completed 245 VSCs in July. FL-33 hosted a BS&S class and graduated 13. The division was involved with the Poker Run on July 31, with 100 people attending. They will be participating in the PCA Fair, an Air Show and the OPTREX in October at Brannan Island.

Paul Verveniotis, DCDR-4 – Report on file. The division had a request from STN SF to assist at the recently reopened Alviso Marina. Members have had a presence there doing VSC's, etc. This will be an ongoing project.

Curtis Han, DCDR-5 – Report on file . Three members attended the pre-deployment course. This was an excellent course, with 20-25 people, mostly active-duty. FL-52's ops team met with the Napa County Sheriff to establish a joint training task force. There will be an upcoming joint OPTREX on 28 September. The division conducted a Travis AFB boating safety event and classes. Division elections will be on October 7.

Mark McLaughlin, DCDR-6 – Report on file . Four flotillas have new members, with 29 total new members in the division. Surface ops have put in 1664 patrol hours so far. For Coast Guard Week we partnered with Monterey Bay Navy League. We rented a park and had baseball games and lunch for 86 people. They have been contacted by the NOAA fishing and ecology group for boating safety classes.

Larry Kelley, DCDR-7 – Report on file . FL-78 is setting up a Ham Radio Net for Division 7. 3 members of FL-78 were involved in night SAR event at Bear Lake in which they rescued two persons who had become separated from a distressed vessel.

Richard Thomas, DCDR-8 – Report on file . Crescent City is putting a river boat up river. The Army Corps of Engineers has asking Mendocino to provide coverage on Lake Mendocino. The Lake County Fair is Labor Day week-end. As DSO-HR, Thomas reminded DCDR's that October 1 is the deadline for disenrollment.

Rod Rollins, DCDR-10 – Report on file . Members continue doing VSCs and surface operations. The dock walker program is going well also. There will be a division OPTREX in October.

David Law, DCDR-11 – Training is continuing at Lake Tahoe.

Roger Haynes, DCDR-12 – Report on file (Attachment A). The division was involved with Coast Guard Day activities, Haynes will provide a personally-guided tour of the YBI lighthouse after the 11 September board and staff meeting.

Judy Esteban, P-PCA – Report on file . We have lots of pictures of the poker run. The event was very successful. Thanks to all committee members, especially Roger Haynes, Angelo Perata, Charlie Duncan and Monica Eaton. The PCA Fair is this coming week-end. 120 signed up for Saturday, 100 for Sunday. Mary has done a fabulous job.

Rod Collins, DCAPT-RBS – Collins attended the Division 4 meeting, the retirement of CAPT Cullen and the memorial service for Master Chief. The Auxiliary has been asked to provide help with crowd direction and control for boat tours during Fleet Week. We will be looking for assistance.

Wayne Farnholtz, DCAPT-RES – Response plans being worked on, and are appreciated. We have a number of people from our district who have been deployed to the gulf.

COMO Vic Connell, IPDCO/DNACO-R – NACON IS next week in Scottsdale AZ. Details are on THE NACON web site. National elections will be taking place. There will be lots of meetings and lots of training

sessions. The turnout will be between 400-500 people, 40 vendors and good active VIP's. The Commandant and RADM Castillo will also attend. The AUXMAN is ready and will be released after NACON. COMO Connell attended the Poker Run, the tribute to Ray Tsunioshi, the memorial service for the Master Chief, two change-of-commands and the spreading of ashes of Harry McBain.

CDR Chareonsuphiphat, DIRAUX – CDR Chareonsuphiphat is back from gulf, where his job was to work with the Unified Air Command, specifically working with VIP's and the media. The Auxiliary is also doing a good job there and can be proud of its work.

#### FINAL COMMENTS

Terms of office for all staff officers will end with the term of the elected officer. DCO Williams will inform all district staff officers that their term expires with his, and if they would like to continue, they should send a letter to the DCO(e). DCDR's may want to do the same.

Be sure to look through the new AUXMAN when it comes out. Distribution will be mostly electronic. They may try to get one hard copy for each unit, but this will occur later. The manual will show up first on the web. Later there will be CD's available, but very few hard copies.

There will also be new Standing Rules, which will include the new district and division elected officer titles.

While CWO Kilburger is serving on the gulf, DIRAUX will assist with OTO duties where he can. Other information can be gotten from the DSO-OP.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2050.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Bell, DSO-SR