

MINUTES
US COAST GUARD AUXILIARY DISTRICT 11NR
BOARD AND STAFF MEETING
19 November 2011
Coast Guard Island, Alameda CA

The meeting was called to order at 0900 by DCO Angelo Perata, who introduced the following special guests: COMO Marie Scholle, DNACO-R and Harry Jacobs, DCO-11S.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the flag was led by Rod Collins, DCOS, followed by the Coast Guard Ethos led by COMO Mike Williams, IPDCO.

Joyce Bell, DSO-SR called the roll, and DCO Perata declared that a quorum was present. The attendance list is attached to these minutes as Attachment 1.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

DCO Perata called for approval of the 10 September 2011 minutes.

Motion: Mary Kirkwood, DCAPT-RBS moved and Simone Adair, DCDR-1 seconded that the minutes be approved as distributed. There being no discussion, the motion was adopted.

DCO Perata called for approval of the 19 October 2011 minutes.

Motion: Nick Tarlson, DCDR-12, moved and Wally Smith, DCDR-6 seconded that the minutes be approved as distributed. There being no discussion, the motion was adopted.

REPORT – DCO ANGELO PERATA:

DCO Perata invited COMO Scholle to report on NACON, as follows:

- The CG Auxiliary has demonstrated its worth with \$128 million of volunteer time and materials
- The Auxiliary's participation in Operations is downsizing because Coast Guard assets have increased. The Coast Guard is the first responder and the Auxiliary's role is support. However we must continue to train and be prepared – just in case.
- The uniform, when worn by the Auxiliary, must be worn properly and be clean and in good repair. If we wear the uniform incorrectly, we are perceived to be desecrating that uniform.

DCO Perata reviewed the following items.

- Auxiliary assistance during the tsunami is featured in a *Northwind* article. Read it, if you haven't already.
- Fleet Week – The Auxiliary donated 2200 land hours and 500 water hours. Coordinators were Linda Vetter (water) and Rick Saber (land).
- AuxChef Program – Under the direction of Rich Thomas, DCAPT-SUP and Linda Haynes, the district now has 30 qualified chefs.
- The Auxiliary Memorial Schedule is as follows:
 - 1115 – Board meeting ends
 - 1130 – Dedication ceremony begins

- 1230 – Lunch served in Grisham Hall by AuxChefs
- 1330 – Elected officer training begins

GOOD OF THE AUXILIARY

DCO Perata announced the following District staff appointments:

- Perry Joiner, DSO-PA, effective 1 July 2011
- Anita Farnholtz, DSO-IS, effective 1 January 2012
- Mike Coburn, DSO-DV, effective 1 January 2012

DCO Perata, assisted by CDR Curtis Sumrok, DIRAUX, presented the 25-year Membership Service Award to COMO Gail Ramsey.

DISTRICT BOARD REPORTS:

DCO Perata called for district board reports as follows:

Simone Adair, DCDR-1 – Report on file. Division and flotilla elections have been completed. There is an article in the *Yachtsman* publication regarding the *USS Iowa* coming in.

Edward Kief, DCDR-3 – Report on file. Division and flotilla elections have been completed.

Ricardo Moreno for Joaquin Duran, DCDR-4 – Report on file. Division members participated in the VA parade and have been working with the VA hospital. The division COW has been held and was successful.

Curtis Han, DCDR-5 – Report on file. Division elections have been completed. The division has had a busy month in operations, with 34 patrols and 3800 hours.

Wally Smith, DCDR-6 – Report on file. SantaCruz harbor repairs are 90% complete from the tsunami damage.

Lou Carroll, DCDR-7 – Report on file. Two Auxiliary members have been appointed to the Utah Boating Advisory Board. They are COMO Mile Williams and Bill Rouleau, VCDR. The state-Auxiliary partnership public education project is going well.

Bruce Rogerson, DCDR-8 – Report on file. Division and flotilla elections have been completed. The division contributed 370 hours over 30 days during the tsunami event. The CG 25-foot RBS boat manned by Auxiliarists is providing much-needed SAR assistance in the area. The division COW will be 10 December.

Bill Correll, VCDR-10 – Division and flotilla elections are completed. The division has completed 23,222 total volunteer hours in 2011. The division hosted special training on how to operate *Coastie*. The division COW will be 10 December.

Leon Borden, DCDR-11 – Report on file. Division and flotilla elections have been completed successfully. The division COW was also successful.

Nick Tarlson, DCDR-12 – Report on file. Division members Roger and Linda Haynes were recognized for their work on the Auxiliary memorial and the AuxChef Program. The division has developed and trained a ceremonial honor guard that is now available.

Judy Esteban, P-PCA – Report on file. The next PCA Fair will be 18-19 February 2012. PCA elections will be held at 1115 following the district board meeting today. Esteban acknowledged Roger Haynes, PCA Vice-President for his work as Chairman of the memorial committee and Mary Kirkwood for her work with the PCA Fair.

CDR Curtis Sumrok, DIRAUX – CDR Sumrok will be attending as many COW's as possible. CDR Sumrock expressed thanks to his staff and the Auxiliary volunteers who assist in the administrative work at the DIRAUX office. Keep up the good work!

CWO2 Danny Kilburger, OTO – Division OPTREX's have been completed for the year. COMO Gail Ramsey was thanked for her assistance in making sure candidates are prepared for their sign-offs. Both *Coastie's* are now repaired electronically; however *Coastie-1* needs some fiberglass repair. Please handle them more gently. When loading and unloading *Coastie* from the trailer, make sure the trailer ramps are in place. *Coasties* need to be charged outdoors. The RC transmitters must be charged at least 12 hours before use.

COMO Mike Williams, IPDCO – There are several district awards which are judged at D-Train for publications, history, training aids and photography. Encourage members to submit their work in these areas for recognition.

DISTRICT STAFF REPORTS

Rodney Collins, DCOS directed the DCAPT's to call for their staff reports as follows:

Mary Kirkwood, DCAPT-RBS called for the following staff reports:

Sue Fry, DSO-MS – Report on file. Correction to report: We are Pollution Investigators, not Pollution Responders. There is an opening in the uninspected vessel category. CDR Sumrok announced that on the first Thursday of every month from 1300-1500 Coast Guard personnel are working on clean-up of the estuary. Auxiliarists are invited to join them whenever they can. Fry indicated participation in the estuary clean-up would count toward earning the RBS device.

James Duncan, DSO-NS – Report on file. We will probably hit 100% again this year, but only 62% have submitted their 7030's. There is a change in the 5-year recertification. As of 1 January you will need a PQS. There will be training at the PCA Fair of verifying officers for the new PQS.

Perry Joiner, DSO-PA – Report on file. Joiner will be providing PA training at the PCA Fairs and D-Train. Classes will include Introduction to PA and Photography.

Roger Haynes, DSO-PE – Report on file. At last report, we had 544 adult graduates from PE classes in 2011. In 2010 we had 714 adult graduates, and in 2009 there were 1,017 adult graduates. This is a disturbing trend.

Phillip Grove, DSO-PV – Report on file. Nothing further to report.

Michael Lauro, DSO-VE – Report on file. We are only 30 VSC's short of meeting our goal of 11,000 VSC's for 2011. That goal will be reached very soon. The VE web site has passed over 17,000 hits.

Mary Kirkwood, DCAPT-RBS – Report on file. Correction, the election report for Division 6 should read for Division 4.

Dean LaChapelle, DCAPT-RES called for the following staff reports:

Larry Olsen, DSO-AV – They continue to fly 4-5 flights per week. Everything is going along as normal.

Jeff Price, DSO-CM – Report on file. With the full approval from Sector Command Center, Comms can assist to alleviate the work load of Prevention.

COMO Gail Ramsey, DSO-OP – Report on file. All services are being cut down. All PAC's who are activating orders must include the mission purpose on the request. Reimbursement requests must include receipts for every expense. There will be a two-day boat crew class at the PCA Fair.

Dean LaChapelle, DCAPT-RES – Report on file. There is a new policy being developed defining the procedure for requesting and issuing orders. The policy will contain some minor, but necessary changes from current practice.

Richard Thomas, DCAPT-SPT called for the following reports:

Jimmin Chang, DSO-CS – Report on file. When appointing staff, AP members for some staff positions will require approval before they can be appointed.

Bob Davison, DSO-HR – Absent.

COMO Marilyn McBain, DSO-IS – Nothing new has come down from AUXDATA or AUXINFO. Elected officers are reminded to get their Annual Unit Officer Report completed as soon as possible. The original is sent to DIRAUX, with a copy to your SO-IS.

Dave Talton, DSO-MA – Report on file. We will be getting some active duty uniforms which will be available to members through the district store. The PE materials are posted with the on-line store, and all PE materials will now be ordered through the on-line store.

COMO Michael Maddox, DSO-MT – The list of mandated training is not yet in place. The National staff does not yet have them on the web site, so don't worry about them until then.

Wesley Craig, DSO-PB – Absent. Report is the *Northwind*, which is now available on the district web site.

Rich Thomas, DCAPT-SUP – Report on file. Thomas will be distributing a packet of information to all incoming DCDR's.

Collins called for the following staff reports:

Steven Perez, DSO-DV – Report on file. There is one new difference in the DV program. Previously, FSO and SO were optional. Now they will be emphasized and encouraged.

Frances Fisher, DSO-FN – Report on file. Effective _____ in 2012, both elected and appointed commodores are exempt from National dues. The district, divisions and flotillas will need to decide what to do on their levels.

Joanna Nevesny, DSO-LP – National has published new Standing Rules for every level. They are on the Chief Counsel's web site. This means that all units will need to update their Standing Rules using the new templates. In the new *Auxiliary Manual*, any unit planning a raffle at an event must get approval from DIRAUX. There are many changes in the disciplinary portion of *the Auxiliary Manual*.

Joyce Bell, DSO-SR – Nothing to report.

Larry Olsen, DSO-AV for Randy Parent, DFSO – They had a good fall safety workshop at Air Sacramento.

Bob Hendry, ASC – Report on file. We are going to be _____ asked to improve documentation of our patrols. Hendry is handling the scheduling of gold side personnel for COW attendance. ENS Leahey is currently undergoing cutter training. Hendry will be assisting with his tasks while he is gone.

Neil Nevesny, CRC – I received one query during this reporting period, but no other activity.

OLD BUSINESS

America's Cup, COMO Vic Connell – Sector now has a full-time staff for this event. This week there are trial events in San Diego. It is still to be determined what the Auxiliary role will be. We are currently in standby mode.

Everbridge, Bob Hendry, ASC – Everbridge is a new emergency notification system. Hendry will be sending information on how the system works to all of the incoming DCDR's, along with ID codes to access the system. All divisions are urged to do a test of the system to see how it is working in their division. If updating is needed, Hendry is available to assist.

Fleet Week Recap – DCO Perata reported that the gold side is aware of the Auxiliary's capabilities, as demonstrated at Fleet Week. All who participated are commended.

NEW BUSINESS

Memorial, Judy Esteban, P-PCA – The memorial dedication is today. The schedule was previously reviewed by DCO Perata. Everyone is invited to attend. Programs will be handed out at the service.

D-Train, Phil Sanchez, EP – Everything is underway and on schedule. The committee in Division 6 is doing a great job. You need to reserve your room as soon as possible. More than 50 rooms have already been reserved. After the deadline date the special price may not be honored. The D-Train registration flyer is already on the web site, so you can also now register for D-Train. When registering for D-Train, please indicate on the form if you will attend the Friday Fun Night. A head count for that event is needed.

Approval of 2012 Budget – DCO Perata stated that the following amendments have been proposed for the 2012 budget:

- D-Train – Strike \$10,000 and Insert \$12,000
- Web Hosting/Go to Webinar – Strike \$300 and Insert \$2,000

Motion: Dean LaChapelle, DCAPT-RES moved and Leon Borden, DCDR-11 seconded that the 2012 budget be adopted, as amended. There being no further discussion the motion was unanimously adopted.

FINAL COMMENTS

DCO Perata recognized the presence of CAPT Cynthia Stowe, Commander Sector San Francisco.

COMO Marie Scholee thanked the district for its hospitality and reminded members of the 2012 NACON conference in Texas.

DCO Perata announced that the commissioning of the cutter *Dorothy Stratton* will be 24 March 2012. First Lady Michelle Obama will be commissioning the vessel.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1045.

NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled meeting of the District Board is 0930, Saturday, 21 January 2012, at Coast Guard Island, Alameda CA.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Bell, DSO-SR

ATTACHMENT A

ATTENDANCE LIST DISTRICT 11NR BOARD AND STAFF MEETING 19 November 2011

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Rod Collins, DCOS

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Simone Adair, DCDR-1

Ed Kief, DCDR-3

Curtis Han, DCDR-5/DCAPT(e)

Wally Smith, DCDR-6

Lou Carroll, DCDR-7

Bruce Rogerson, DCDR-8

Denis Eaton, DCDR-10

Leon Borden, DCDR-11

Nick Tarlson, DCDR-12

Judy Esteban, P-PCA

DISTRICT STAFF:

CWO Danny Kilburger, OTO

Tina Perry, DIRAUX

Larry Olsen, DSO-AV

Jeff Price, DSO-CM

Jimmin Chang, DSO-CS

Fran Fisher, DSO-FN

COMO Marilyn McBain, DSO-IS

Joanna Nevesny, DSO-LP

Dave Talton, DSO-MA

Sue Fry, DSO-MS

COMO Mike Maddox, DSO-MT

Jim Duncan, DSO-NS

COMO Gail Ramsey, DSO-OP

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Roger Haynes, DSO-PE

Phil Grove, DSO-PV

Joyce Bell, DSO-SR

Mike Lauro, DSO-VE

Bob Hendry, ASC

Neil Nevesny, CRC

Phil Sanchez, EP

Linda Haynes, D-AD/H

GUESTS:

Jim Blackburn, VCDR-5

Bill Correll, VCDR-10

Steve Johnson, ADSO-MA

Anita Farnholtz, ADSO-OP

Dan Tinney, ADSO-MA/HR

Wil Sumner, ADSO-MS

Michael Coburn, ADSO-HR

Derek Lyon-McKerl, FL-49

William Stolz, FL-11-01

Cameron Stolz, FL 11-01

Michael Fiamingo, VFC-41

Mike Arnold, FC-05

Janet Smith, FC-06-10

Wayne Farnholtz, FL-88

Brenda Belongie, FC-39(e)

Greg Fonzeno, FC-12-03

Maryanne Collins, FC-67

Monica Eaton, FC-10-03

George Barantseff, FL-12

Rex Miner, FC-78

Robert Firehock, CC-A-P

Michael Ungersman, FSO-MT, FL-51

Wilfred Sumner, FC-55

Sonia Foster, FSO-SR/PA, FL-12-01

Rick Saunders, FL-43

Paul Custance, VFC-72(e)

Roy Vandermolen, FC-72(e)

Juvenal Jovet, FC-78(e)

Mike Thompson, VCDR-7

Ann Zocchi, VFC-76(e)

Cynthia Perazzo, FC-57

Tony Zocchi, VC-76(e)

Bill Sharp, FSO-IS, FL-10-02

Doug Heisner, VFC-78(e)

Ricardo Moreno, FC-49

Tom Sarnicola, VCDR-5(e)