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District 11 Northern Region**

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District 11NR Electronic Board Meeting Minutes  
15 Oct 2014 1900 PDT

**Call to Order:** 1905 hours by DCO Rod Collins

**Roll Call:** By Maryanne Collins. Present were: CDR Curtis Sumrock, COMO Rod Collins DCO; Simone Adair DCAPT; Wally Smith, DCAPT; Richard Celia DCDR; Carl Pierce DCDR; Judy Estaban DCDR; Thomas Sarnicola DCDR; Sean Sheehan DCDR; Mike Thompson DCDR; Thomas O'Connor DCDR; Jerry Gilmore VCDR; Gregory Fonzeno DCDR; A quorum was present electronically to conduct business.

Attendance is reported in Addendum A.

**DCO Report to Board:** Thank you to all attending the meeting tonight. The newly elected National Board assumes office 01 November. COMO Mark Simoni NACO, COMO Richard A. Washburn VNACO, COMO Kenneth E. Brown Sr. DNACO, COMO Rodney E. Collins DNACO, COMO Larry King DNACO. New "VE Manual" is out. New "Strategic Plan" from COMO Mark Simoni is expected 01 Nov. "New Member Orientation Guide" is expected end of Jan 2015. This should be a big help to FC's and anyone working with new members.

**District Board Reports:**

**DCDR 1** Richard Celia – Report on file: At our Div1 live meeting on YBI we were fed by the Galley crew who graciously stayed for us. Newly elected DIV Officers are Diana Serchia DCDR and Joel Hammer VCDR. Richard & his son currently on Active Duty made a great Silver & Gold team working with the CG Recruiting Group Sat/Sun of Fleet Week.

**DCDR 3** Carl Pierce – Report on file: Election results of Oct DIV meeting are Dean McFarren DCDR and Thomas Conley VCDR. FL 39 working with Sector Humboldt Bay. FL 3-10 POTREX 17-19 Oct. DIV COW 13 DEC.

**DCDR 4** Judy Estaban – Report on file: Division election results are William Tsai DCDR and Derek Lyon-McKeil VCDR. Division members worked several festivals including Palo Alto Airport Day & Redwood City Octoberfest. FL 43 hosted a Potluck with FL 49 & 46. Elections were held in FL 46 & 48. CW02 Matt James was on hand to do PPE paperwork & inspections.

**DCDR 5** Thomas Sarnicola – Report on file: At the recent Division meeting elections were held. Results were Wilfred Sumner II DCDR and Randel McCormick VCDR. FL 55 held their election. Results were Steven Jette FC and Douglas Twitchell VFC. Participated in the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Market Place and Stars & Stripes. At November meeting hope to have CSO2 Matt James doing PPE.

**DCDR 6** Sean Sheehan – Report not on file: Election updates: Division, Jane Smith DCDR and Jerry Edelen VCDR; FL 64 Cecil Claspell FC and Craig Johnson VFC; FL 610 Mike Badano FC and Stephen Daley VFC; FL 67 will hold their election next week. DIV COW 08 Nov 2014. New event held with Sta. Monterey, Auxiliary, Environmental & Animal Rescue groups to raise awareness of abandoned fishing line. Had a very good reception. Participated in fun event for the Santa Cruz Harbor's 50<sup>th</sup> Celebration. They had cardboard boat races. Great day for all hands.

**DCDR 7** Michael Thompson – Report on File: Election Update: Division elected Ann Zocchi DCDR and Paul Custance VCDR. FL 72 Paul Brown FC and Chris Krogh VFC; FL 73 Barry Duke FC and Doug Evans VFC; FL 76 Tony Zocchi FC and Carl Henning VFC; FL 78 Lana Visser FC and Douglas Bosen VFC. Conducted Safety Fairs in which 6 to 7 thousand people attended.

**DCDR 8** Thomas O'Connor – Report on file: An Open House with Sta. Samoa & Eureka great success and plan another Open House with the Fire Service. Held "Vessel Inspections" and "Being on Water" at "Heroes For Health & Safety" at Fairgrounds. FL 08-11 re-elected Deanna Stewart & Stevin Strickland.

**DCDR 10** Rod Rollins – Report on file

**DCDR 11** Jerry Gilmore VCDR for Leon Borden DCDR– Report on file: Division re-elected Leon Borden DCDR and Jerry Gilmore VCDR. Very proud to have Gold and Silver team in the family a son in Kodiak and his brother in Ft School.

**DCDR 12** Gregory Fonzeno – Report on file: Election Results: Division re-elected Greg Fonzeno DCDR & Stuart Langs VCDR. FL 12-3 Bruce Bennett FC & Ronald Araujo VFC; 12-5 Kathy Langs FC & Stuart Hunter VFC; 12-91 not yet. Activities are slowing down. Looking forward to COW in December and planning for next year.

**PPCA** Mary Kirkwood – Report not on file: Spring PCA Fair on 17 – 18 January 2015 will have afternoon classes. Memorial Service 15 Nov after District Meeting. If you know of anyone who should be included contact Roger Haynes. PCA election to be held about 11:45 after the Service. Rod asked who is eligible for PCA and Mary replied open to DCDR after serving 6 months.

**CAPT Prevention** Wally Smith DCAPT– Report on file: Called for comments from DSO's in attendance. Sue Fry DSO-MS – Not present

Jim Duncan DSO-NS - Report on File: ATON increase to 89%

Jerry Edelen DSO-PA - Report on File: All Divisions reported this month. Thanks to all for sending them in, great job. Rod Collins mentioned Jerry's report is always excellent, goes around the District, and is well known. He received the "District PA" Award from National as the best PA in the Nation. Makes our District shine.

Roger Haynes DSO-PE – Not present

Jim Goff DSO-PV - Report on File: At this time only 59.8% of program visits compared to last year. Expect the number to increase in the last quarter.

Mike Lauro DSO-VE - Report on File:

Wally Smith DCAPT: Looking forward to next year and working with the District Captains. He attended Elections for Divisions 1,7,11,& 6. Things are winding down now.

**DCAPT Response** William Stolz DCAPT – Report on file: Excused. Rod called on comments from DSO-s in attendance.

Larry Olson DSO-AV – Report on File: His report is part of the "New Response Report". AUXAIR has 10 airplanes, 1 helicopter, 10 pilots, and 25 aircrew and observers. They are flying every day of the week. They are getting ready for 'Fall Air Safety Workshop' 01 Nov at Air Sta. Sacramento 0900 – 1700.

Mike Williams DSO-CM - Report on File: Excused His report is also part of the "Response Report". Individuals with TCO & PQS grandfathered in and working in AUXDATA. For Land Mobile Patrols miles driven are not considered fuel.

Gail Ramsey DSO-OPS - Report on File: Received over 100 comments on new "Response Report" that were all positive. All is doing well.

**DCAPT Support & Planning** Simone Adair DCAPT – Report on file: Called for comments from DSO's in attendance.

Jimmin Chang DSO-CS – Report not on File: Working on the online 'CS Officers Training'. Will let everyone know when dates are firm on how to manage the website.

Tim Kahn DSO-DV – Report on File: Thank you to all the Flotillas for their support. He will be available for Flotillas who wish to invite him.

Ann Zocchi DSO-HR – Report on File: Has received 12 additional Disenrollments. Make sure to get them in on time to not impact their dues for 2015.

Anita Farnholtz DSO-IS - Report on File:

George Rogers DSO-MA - Report on File:

Mary Kirkwood DSO-MT - Report not on File: National webinar this afternoon and EOT. There are three options for the mandatory classes two of which are in a group setting. New 7039 MT Form not approved yet, just put course number on 7039. Course 6 & 7 can complete online the rest expected 2015. Chief DIRAUX remind all if you are approved for 'C School' you should attend, prefer you do not cancel, but if you must cancel early. PCA Fair details will be coming out soon. Detail of events are EXCOM Meeting Friday Evening, DCDR Meeting 0800 – 0830, Board Meeting 0830 – 1100, Memorial Service 1100 – 1130, EOT to be 1300 to 1730 & Sunday 0800 – 1200. Updated statistics on Mandatory Training is only 10%.

Curtis Hahn DSO-PB – Report on File

Simone Adair DCAPT: Working on property policies for the District with Mike Lauro and the 'Dock Walker Program'. Plan on attending COW for Divisions 1,4,6 & 12.

DCO asked if Staff were still online. COMO Salmon, Anita Farnholtz, George Rogers, Mike Lauro.

**DCOS** Richard Thomas: Excused. He is at a CG Conference

IPDCO - COMO Angelo Perata: Still on?

DIRAUX - CDR Curtis Sumrock: Tracy Schultz correctly took request for the Honor Guard to perform at NFL game up the Chain of Leadership. Electronic PDR in process of scanning into system and keeping data electronically with the exception of Awards will be kept in Auxdata. Big difference in fingerprint cards submission since last month. There are 2 kinds of status AP & DO Clearance. DO is required for DCAPT & above. FS supplies for Aux events, morale days etc. were purchased along with 8 laptops & 7 projectors for Divisions if needed contact DIRAUX. Anticipate new budget at same levels as 2014. Reminder no one in AP status should be in appointed positions. COMO Steve Salmon doing a great job with Awards for COW's. Send in your submissions for your COW. DIRAUX OTO - CWO2 Matt James: CDR Sumrock spoke for the OTO who has been checking PPE Binders and meeting with those members handling PPE with varied success. The CG "Rescue System & Survival Manual" has clarified the CG Auxiliary policy for PPE and we are looking good in PPE. Tracy Schultz correctly took request for the Honor Guard to perform at NFL game up the Chain of Leadership. Electronic PDR in process of scanning into system and keeping data electronically with the exception of Awards will be kept in Auxdata.

DSO-ASC - COMO Vic Connell: Sector requested help for Fleet week and hope to fill all the slots. Fleet Week event with over 100K people attending largest in D11N show our skill and professionalism in working with other agencies. 14 Auxiliary vessels on the water maintaining security zone & passing information for safe passage in zone. Exercise event in SF Bay with SF Fire simulated Ferry accident and 2 Auxiliary boats to support the perimeter. Land Mobile at SF Airport coordinating Coms went very well.

**Discussion:**

Fleet Week Report: Simone credit due to Division 1 group doing paperwork, managing volunteers & attending meeting for Fleet Week. Fewer Auxiliarists this year monitored 4 piers and made contact with over 25,000 visitors. Last minute request for more volunteers was difficult to fulfill. Great experience. Looking forward to next year. Vic added over 30 Aux volunteers over 3 days helped with line management wearing Trops and AUXFS worked in the Galley on The Cobb.

Elections: Mentioned previously

COW: Rod reminded all to send in info regarding COW and asked about Sector and COW. Vic replied Submitted info on COW's to Sector through AUXLO over 2 weeks ago. Has not heard back yet. Said it is easier for CG to attend COW if close to Bay Area. Rod asked he let him know if anyone from Sector is planning on attending.

NOV District Meeting:

Memorial - Mentioned previously

Elected Officer Training – Rod reminded all to make sure new members know about EOT. UOD will be Trops. Mary asked to send election results to her so she can send out EOT invitations. CDR Sumrock said if an FC, VFC, DCDR & VDCDR has not attended EOT before, they are invited and can be on orders. Simone said they plan on an abridged "Store" at the EOT.

D-Train: 13 – 15 March 2015. Phil Sanchez said COW Registration Flyer is out and working on Hotel Reservation Flyer due out in October. If you can help out with contact Phil. Don't forget about Thursday night too. Get the work out to all Divisions and hope to see everyone there.

Final Comments, Good of the Auxiliary - Tom Sarnicola mentioned 18 Oct FL 52 presenting a Retirement Plaque to Bill Kinsey, if interested let him know. Judy asked if coming to DIV 4 COW submit it to her.

See you in November.

**Adjourn:** There being no further comment or discussion, DCO Collins adjourned the meeting at 2032.

Next Meeting: Saturday 15, November 2014 - 0830 hours, Coast Guard Island, Alameda, CA. UOD will be Trops.

Respectfully Submitted by: Maryanne Collins, DSO-SR

ADDENDUM A: District Board, Staff Officers and Guests Present Electronically

DIRAUX: CDR Curtis Sumrock;  
COMO Rod Collins DCO  
COMO Angelo Perata IPDCO  
DCAPT Prevention: Wally Smith  
DCAPT Response: Excused  
DCAPT Support & Planning: Simone Adair  
DCDR 1 - Richard Celia; DCDR 3 - Carl Pierce;  
DCDR 4 - Judy Estaban; DCDR5 – Thomas Sarnicola;  
DCDR 6 - Sean Sheehan; DCDR 7 - Michael Thompson;  
DCDR 8 - Thomas O'Connor; DCDR 10 -  
DCDR 11 - Leon Borden; DCDR 12 - Gregory Fonzeno  
ASC - COMO Vic Connell  
PCA - Mary Kirkwood

DSO's in Attendance:

DSO-AV – Larry Olson  
DSO-CM  
DSO-CS – Jimmin Chang  
DSO-DV – Tim Kahn  
DSO-HR – Ann Zocchi  
DSO-IS – Anita Farnholtz  
DSO-MA- George Rogers  
DSO-MS  
DSO-MT – Mary Kirkwood  
DSO-NS – Jim Duncan  
DSO-OP, DSO-SL – COMO Gail Ramsey  
DSO-PA – Jerry Edelen  
DSO-PB – Curtis Han  
DSO-PE  
DSO-PV - James Goff  
DSO-VE - Mike Lauro

Guests:

COMO Mike Maddox ADSO-CS-MT, COMO Steve Salmon, Diana Serchia, Jim Blackburn, Maryanne Collins. James Goff, Jane Smith, Dean McFarren, Mike Williams, Randy McCormick. Tom O'Connor, William Tsai, Keith Simmons