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**U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary
District 11 Northern Region**
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District 11NR Electronic Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, July 17, 2013

Call to Order; 1904 by Rod Collins

Roll Call; By DSO-S/R. A quorum was present electronically. Attendance is reported in addendum A.

DCO Report to Board; Rod Collins reported as follows;

-Sequestration is still with us and will be for some time. Nothing is expected to change soon. Coast Guard's fiscal year ends Sept 30; October 1 begins a new fiscal year. The economics of the situation is why we have webinars. But, we are fortunate relative to other districts. We are having fewer problems.

-In October we will be receiving notice of updates to the Auxiliary Manual. Nothing major is expected. We will be able to have the Manual on-line.

-NACON has decided to have classes. Boat USA is a leader in developing electronic classes. The Power Squadron is also developing electronic classes. We expect a boating class to be on-line by the end of next summer. This is something we will want to look into.

- Rod thanked all those who attended the June meeting and webinar. It worked out well and adds to our capability. Thanks to Mike Maddox and others who made it happen. We and 11S will be offering this format. Please let Mike have any inputs you want to make.

- Two incumbents are running for DCAPT, Simone Adair and Wally Smith. Jim Duncan filed a Notice of Intent to seek election in a timely manner. At this time those are the only announced candidates. Others will have to be nominated from the floor at the election meeting.

-The September meeting will be in two parts. The election for DCAPT's will be during the lunch break. The Board meeting will be after classes at 1700. An announcement will be sent soon. Be on the base by 1130.

- Anyone who has awards will need to get them written up no later than Sept 30 and into COMO Steve Salmon. DTRAIN award recommendations are due Oct. 31, to COMO Salmon.

District Board Reports

DCDR-1	Richard Celia; Report on file. At first background noise kept the report from being heard. Richard thanked the people who were in the July 4 th parade. He reminded the meeting that we need to get our hours in. As opportunities come by we need to keep the Auxiliary in the public eye.
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DCDR-3	Carl Pierce; Report on file. Flotilla 3 9 has been working with park rangers, focusing on kayakers. Division 3 had a webinar meeting in June that went well.
DCDR-4	Judy Esteban; Report on file; 22 attended the last Division meeting. It was a good evening. They hold a fellowship meeting once or twice a year.
DCDR-5	Jim Blackburn; Report on file; It has been a slow month with some 4 th of July activities.
DCDR-6	Sean Sheehan; Report on file, Flotilla 6 4 along with the Navy League sponsored a Coast Guard barbeque with a softball game. All were invited. 6 4 was awarded a Flotilla Meritorious Achievement award
DCDR-7	Mike Thompson; Report on file; It has been a busy month with 2000 hours on the water. There is a chance of another facility from the state; these are well equipped. We have been asked to cover several more events.
DCDR-8	Tom O'Connor; Report on file; Flotilla 8 6 is reaching out to the community, mostly through the kids. There were a few problems refueling, but these have been resolved.
DCDR-10	Phillip E. Grove; Excused.
DCDR-11	Bill Stoltz; Report on file, We have been doing a lot on the water with fireworks patrols the 3,4,5 July. We are working on a plan for two boat training with the station.

DCDR -12	Linda Haynes; They participated in a 4 th of July parade with the honor guard.
P-PCA	Mary Kirkwood; PCA will be with the September BOD meeting. Program will be out very soon. They will be hosting a fun run on CGI, civilian clothes, no orders available. The committee meeting is scheduled for next week.
DCAPT-RBS	Simone Adair; Report on file, NSW report is done. Thanks to all contributors. Volunteers for Americas Cup---not a done deal. It has been a busy summer so far; thanks to all for their hard work. She is looking for more volunteers for 2 to 4 hour shifts. So far, not much attendance at the booth, 2 to 4 hours would be the max.
DCAPT-SPT	William Correll; Excused.
DCAPT-RES	Wallace A. Smith; Report on file, There has been discussion about patrol uniforms. The information is posted on the District website/members deck. Uniform information would be a good subject for member training.
IPDCO	COMO Angelo Perata; There is a new 8 hour TCT. They are trying to get it approved. They are also working on a comms plan for getting information from national to flotillas. It is due in a month or two.
DCOS	Richard Thomas; He is now back at the Academy. Was gone for the month of June. Attended a COW, had a good chance to talk about Aux with the senior gold side.
DIRAUX	CDR Curtis Sumrok; There is a new YN2, Tony Robinson. YNC Debra Anderson has a d11 mailbox on the government system with limited capacity. Photos, ID info needs to stay off the commercial system. We are working to improve it all. -There is money for two new coasties. We will get them in the field. People from flotillas will take responsibility for these robots. We will send the machines out per priorities. Trailers will be redecorated. - We need to fill up the Aux In Action wall with photos. This lets our bosses see what we are doing. Send photos to me.
OTO	CWO Matt James; It is nice to be back from Monterey and Division 6. I am finishing up the PPE program. At the end of the month I will be going to San Francisco.

Old Business

- NSBW report has been sent to National. It was a good report. Simone will forward a copy to the Board and Staff. Each Division put in a great effort. NSBW is an Aux effort and shows the commitment of our members. It was an excellent job.
- Skills bank; we need to keep updating it. It is useful to the gold side and to the Aux.
- DTRAIN; It is not final yet. We are trying to get it in the Sacramento area. As soon as we know, DCO will let us all know. We will have DTRAIN.
- Americas Cup. Per COMO Connell; AC has evolved. For the Aux it is a moving target. Linda Vetter, Patrol Area Coordinator for San Francisco, has done a very good job. We are out there for a lot of events. We've been requested to furnish one boat every day. Don't wait until August or September to request involvement. We were requested to provide an RBS group, and then the request was cancelled. If there is not a lot of interest in doing it now, we will probably decline.
- Vic had lunch with the new Sector CDR and Deputy CDR. This AOR is new to them. There is a subdued mood due to the sequester. Thanks to the DCAPTs for providing information. The sector is looking for administrative support from the Aux. DCDRs please get COW information to Vic as soon as it is available.
- Fleet week. Lt Leahy said it will be a bare bones event. There is no request for Aux support. It may still be cancelled.
- NACON is in San Diego. D11S is hosting and will be running a webinar on the web. Rod will get info out to people. The OTO will be doing a presentation. The 11S website has a list/schedule of classes which is also on the national website. There will be an on-line civil rights class.
- September District Meeting; Get your TDY worksheet in to Tina ASAP. Inform Rich Thomas if you are not going to be there.

New Business

- Tim Kahn, DSO-DV; Request for DCDR's to appoint diversity officers wherever they can. This is important to the Aux and to the CG. Please read his report.
- The National Aux Manual update is due in the next 3 to 4 months. There are many changes, but it is still too early to talk about them now.

- PE Update; Electronic updates for PE and administration are due the middle of next year.

Final Comments

- It was recommended that anyone should attend an Air Force COW if possible.
- COMO Gail Ramsey requested DCDRs to pressure coxswains to accurately complete AOM orders.
- COMO Angelo Perata pointed out that we usually do not know about active duty COWs. XO's usually send out invitations. If DCAPT's get an invitation they should let those invited know.

Adjournment

There being no further comment or discussion, DCO Collins adjourned the meeting at 2030.

Next Meeting: A Webinar, Wednesday, 21 August 2013, 1900hrs

Addendum A: Attendance list

Board Members in attendance;

Rod Collins DCO	Jim Blackburn DCDR-5	Linda Haynes DCDR-12
Rich Thomas DCOS	Sean Sheehan DCDR-6	Mary Kirkwood P-PCA
Richard Celia DCDR-1	Mike Thompson DCDR-7	Simone Adair DCAPT
Carl Pierce DCDR-3	Tom O'Connor DCDR- 8	Wally Smith DCAPT
Judy Esteban DCDR-4	Bill Stolz DCDR- 11	Angelo Perata IPDCO
CDR Curtis Sumrok DIRAUX	CWO Matt James	OTO

Staff Members in Attendance:

Ralph Bettman DSO-S/R	Mike Maddox ADSO-CS
Vic Connell ASC	Paul Custance
Denis Eaton	Stephen Salmon
Gail Ramsey DSO-OP	Jimmin Chang DSO-CS
Jerry Edelen FSO-PA 6 4	Mike Lauro DSO-VE
Ann Zocchi DSO-HR	Timothy Kahn DSO-DV
Anita Farnholtz DSO-IS	Randy McCormick
Carrie Van De Boom	Jim Duncan DSO-NS
Jim Goff DSO-PV	