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**MINUTES
US COAST GUARD AUXILIARY DISTRICT 11NR
BOARD AND STAFF MEETING**

June 16, 2013

Coast Guard Island, CA

The meeting was called to order at 1035 by DCO Rod Collins, The Pledge of Allegiance was led by a member of the Board.

Ralph Bettman, DSO-SR called the roll, and DCO Collins declared that a quorum was present. The attendance list is attached to these minutes as Attachment A.

REPORT – DCO Rod Collins; Reported on the following;

- The Coast Guard Exchange is now on line.
- AuxChef is now renamed AuxFS (Food Service) and can now provide food service for the Auxiliary.
- Grooming standards have now been published. DCDRs need to be sure their divisions are aware and conforming to them.
- Sexual assault is a real problem. The Admiral is serious about the problem. It will be in the forefront of the Coast Guard for the next few years. Pass this information along.
- DCDRs to take back to FCs there is a changed manual of leadership and management. There is a specific way matters are to be handled. The FC reports to the Div. C. Do not skip levels and do not go directly to the gold side. One penalty is disenrollment. Therefore each level must respond promptly. Follow the manual.
- He welcomed the new DSO-DV Tim Kahn who was then duly sworn in.

DISTRICT BOARD REPORTS:

DCO Collins called for district board reports as follows:

Richard Celia, DCDR-1 – Report on file. One week from today, June 22 at 1300 they will be holding a VE day at an Emeryville marina. They need more VEs as there will be many boats. Division 1 is doing well in OPS. Gail Ramsey asked about the uniform for the VE day; the answer, ODUs with boat shoes.

Carl Pierce, DCDR-3 – Report by Jim Goff, VCDR-3. Report on file. They observed NSBW at Discovery Park. It was well attended. The safety fair at a park was not well attended. They held a life jacket exchange and gave away hundreds of life jackets. There was a jubilee Parade and a Big Wake weekend with many boats on the water. Gail Ramsey asked about the Folsom event. The answer was that the sponsors failed to get permits; they plan to do better next year. In June next year it will be a two day event.

Judy Esteban, DCDR-4 –Report on file. Flotilla 7 3 celebrated their 70th birthday. Adm Schultz attended the South Bay opening day. 4 1 provided a trailer. The climate survey went out last month for members. There will be a safe boating class in the Sierras.

Jim Blackburn, DCDR-5 – Report on file. During NSBW we performed 62 VEs, 14 dealer visits, 4 dockwalker events, held an ABS class with 11 participants, had an info booth at West Marine, paddle sports, 50 VFCs Division 5 is setting up the Auxiliary with the California Maritime Academy, due in September, they held an informative meeting with DIRAUX and Gail Ramsey. I am a TCT facilitator; if you would like a class, let me know by June 28th. We need reports of AWW activity which we report to the gold side. The Bob Liu report is not the same as the Auxdata report.

Sean Sheehan, DCDR-6 – Unfortunately, the first part of Sean's report was not heard, so the following is only part of his report. The Division was able to get proclamations from many government entities for NSBW. Wally Smith's appearance on a radio program helped. A lifetime achievement award was given to Milt Entwhistle, 94, a member since 1969. Ralph Neal for his 50th year in the Auxiliary and Gary Castle, age 95. He mentioned several others who have a long history in the Auxiliary and suggested that we should gather our history from these older members while we can.

Mike Thompson, DCDR-7 – Also unfortunately, his report was mostly inaudible, so no notes on his report were taken.

Tom O'Connor, DCDR-8 – Report on file. NSBW update. He attended a fish fry where he handed out literature; they performed VEs at Mendocino where they also gave out PFDs to parents of kids. They feel they reached out to 250 kids.

Philip Grove, DCDR-10 Report on file. During NSBW they talked to 2700 children and 80 adults at a fishing derby and a sailing class. He attended a Mike Lauro class.

Bill Stolz, DCDR-11 – Report on file. The Lake Tahoe temperature was up to 65°. NSBW had TV coverage. They held a successful event at Lake Almanor and provided 100 VEs overall.

Linda Haynes, DCDR-12 –Reported by Greg Fonzeno, VDCR 12; . Report on file. They have held a number of PE classes, performed many VEs. They will participate in a July 4th parade with an honor guard. There were also Memorial Day events.

DISTRICT STAFF REPORTS

Rodney Collins, DCO called for reports;

Simone Adair, DCAPT-RBS, Reports on file.

James Duncan, DSO-NS – Report on file, all bridges are done.

Michael Lauro, DSO-VE –Report on file, nothing to add.
Rod Collins, DCO, reminded everyone to stay away from law enforcement.

Wally Smith, DCAPT- RES;

-Gail Ramsey DSO-OPS; Humboldt is now a sector, the Ops system is working. Doug Kerr, ADSO-AV-OPS runs the order system. The owner needs to request orders, not the coxswain unless the owner gives the coxswain permission to operate the facility without the owner aboard. Request orders at least 10 days in advance. Include in the comment section the reason for the patrol and the contact information. The Patrol Area Coordinator must approve the patrol. She gave kudos to Doug Kerr, Linda Haynes and to communications. Aux covered comms for 24 hours while comms was cut.

Curtis Han DSO-PB had left the meeting at this point, but left a request that articles and photographs are needed by the end of the month.

Bill Correll, DCAPT-SPT; Report on file; He then called for the following reports:

Jimmin Chang, DSO-CS -CS report not on file yet. He is working with Division SOs. They need more ACML capability. Regarding DV, there are only 3 Division SOs; there is a need to find more DVs. 97% of SOs are Caucasian, more diversity is needed.

Anita Farnholtz DSO-IS; There is no IS C school any longer. But, if members will give her the names of those who want training, they will be coached individually.

Rod Collins DCO Thanked Jimmin Chang DSO CS, DV for doing both jobs until Tim Kahn took over DSO-DV.

Richard Thomas DCOS was present on the webinar but Simone Adair DCAPT-PN requested reports from his DSOs;

Frances Fisher, DSO-FN –Report on file. Provided financial statements to the Board. She indicated a correction to the audit portion of the report...

Joanna Nevesny, DSO-LP - Members can come to the DSO-LP directly with some indication that you have attempted to find the answer yourself. All Standing Rules have been submitted.

Ralph Bettman, DSO-SR – No report.

Neil Nevesny, ADSO-MS, AWW No activity to report. Members can come directly to him, if needed.

OLD BUSINESS

-All staff officers are invited to attend Webinars. They should receive invitations by the 2nd Wednesday of the month.

-Please get NSBW reports to Dyane Mohr ADSO-NS-CS with lots of photos.

-Did not get the standing rules done; they will be done in August.

-NACON will have some classes. 11South is hosting. Rooms will be available some days before and after the meeting. Collins will send out comms regarding the formal event.

- The Americas Cup plan is still not definite. They want us to staff a booth for 56 days. Jerry Edelen and I are looking for volunteers. We will divide the 56 days among the DCDRs who will do the staffing, particularly on weekends.
- Collins has not heard from National regarding Civil Rights classes. He will advise.
- There was a question about security regarding cards. Rod will ask CDR Sumrok and advise.

NEW BUSINESS

-D-Train 2014, there have been many inputs. We will try to find a place not on CGI, probably in the Sacramento area.

-Elections. The DCAPTs are up for election. There is an election committee; Angelo Perata, Richard Thomas, CDR Sumrok. Letters are due in by July 7th, 2013. If no letter, a floor nomination is required.

- DCO Rod Collins thanked Bill Correll (who will not be returning).
- There is a question about the PCA and District meeting, tentatively set for Saturday, September 7th at 1330. Ramsey suggested we do not want to take away from the PCA fair. Nevesney suggested a working lunch meeting. Collins requested who would be available for a Friday night meeting. 6 raised their hands. Collins suggested that the election meeting should be separate from the BOD meeting.

- Meetings in July and August will be webinars.
- New Officer training will be at the November District meeting. All new officers should be here the 3rd weekend (16-17).
- Mike Maddox ADSO-CS-MT indicated that there is a webinar calendar on the District website./members/webinar calendar. He can schedule webinars, preferably on weekends. He needs to know the contact person and who is to be invited. The question was raised, "Can we vote on webinars?" Answer, generally yes, but not for elections.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1330

NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled meeting of the District Board is a webinar, July 17, 1900 PDT; all Board and Staff is invited.

Respectfully submitted,

Ralph Bettman, DSO-SR

ATTACHMENT A

ATTENDANCE LIST DISTRICT 11NR BOARD AND STAFF MEETING March 16, 2013

DISTRICT BOARD :Those physically present; Rod Collins, Simone Adair, William Correll, Wally Smith, Richard Celia, Carl Pierce, Judy Esteban, Jim Blackburn, Mike Thompson, Tom O'Connor, Bill Stolz, Phillip Grove.
Those present by webinar; Richard Thomas, Sean Sheehan,

DISTRICT STAFF: (based on sign-in sheet, all present physically); Neil Nevesny BCIC, Curtis Hahn DSO-PR, Kristofer Vaughn 05-02, Greg Fonzeno VDCR 12, Robin Stewart Div 1, SO-S/R, Jim Goff DSO-PV, Jane Smith VDCR 6, Tom Sarniola VDCR, Tim Kahn DSO-DV, Gail Ramsey DSO-OPS, Fran Fisher DSO-FN, Anita Farnholtz DSO-IS, Joanna Nevesney DSO-LP, Mike Lauro DSO-VE, Wayne Farnholtz 08-08, Denis Eaton PD CAPT 10, Monica Eaton FSO-NS, James B. Duncan DSO-NS, Jimmin Chang DSO-CS, Steven Johnson ADSO-PA, Maryanne Collins ADSO-FN

