

# UNITED STATES COAST GUARD AUXILIARY

Flotilla 47

February 26, 2008

DBRC, Marcus Hook, PA

## CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order and the "Pledge of Allegiance" led at 19:30 hours by Flotilla Commander Roger F. Jordan, Sr. There were 17 members present.

GUESTS: Bob Simpson, Chris Milano

## PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:

Motion was made by Bruce Bateman and seconded by Walt Porter to accept the minutes from the January meeting.

## STAFF OFFICER REPORTS:

Secretary – FSO-SR Charlotte Jordan

1. Nothing to report.

Personnel Services – FSO-PS – Bob Sabatino

1. Nothing to report.

Member Training – FSO-MT – Bruce Bateman

1. A new VE class was started. Three people are enrolled.
2. Division will be holding classes for Aux Nav B during the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2008.

Public Education – FSO-PE Ken Chandler

1. PE classes are progressing. Schedule has been adjusted for the snow days and instructor conflicts.

Communications – FSO-CM Ron Durham

1. No report received. Not present.

Communication Systems – FSO-CS Mike Rzucidlo

1. No report received. Not present.

Information Systems – FSO-IS Dan Amoroso

1. All paperwork submitted has been sent to SO-IS and entered into Auxdata.

Aids to Navigation – FSO-AN Walton Porter

1. I have talked to SO-AN Eugene Bentley and he will get me more pertinent information in the near future.
2. As far as a quota for 2008 I hope we can run at least four chart updating patrols this patrol season.

Operations – FSO-OP – Jim Holefelder

1. Nothing to report.

Marine Safety – FSO-MS George Matuszewski

1. Mentioned new regulations in New Jersey regarding harvest wheat fish. No written report submitted.

Materials – FSO-MA – Jeff Ferguson

1. Stamps and envelopes arrived.
2. Brought VE material.

Public Affairs – FSO-PA Cyndi Ferguson

1. Nothing to report.

Publications – FSO-PB Neal Marder

1. Nothing to report.

Vessel Examiner – FSO-VE Mike Boettcher

1. No report received. Not present.

Finance – FSO-FN Edwina Amoroso

A motion was made by Joe Chambers and seconded by Jeff Ferguson to accept the financial report as submitted and unanimously approved.

Committee Reports

Audit Committee: Audit committee met and found the Flotilla financial books correct, balanced and in order. A motion was made by Jeff Ferguson and seconded by Joe Chambers to accept the audit committee's report. Committee was dismissed by the FC.

Payment of Bills

Walt Porter presented two bill for handouts needed for the BS&S class. A motion was made by Joe Chambers and seconded by Ken Chandler to pay the bill.

Flotilla Commanders Report – Roger F. Jordan, Sr.

1. SO's are asking for FSO's to work with them and get in contact with them.
2. Readiness report will be available at next month's meeting.

### Vice Flotilla Commander – VFC Jane Holefelder

1. Nothing to report.

### Immediate Past Flotilla Commander – IPFC George Matuszewski

1. The Division spring seminar will be held on April 12 at the Paoli Presbyterian Church. Required classes for IT and VE will be offered. There will be boats available to VE's to inspect, a CTC class and Marine Safety class.
2. Waterway Watch needs each flotilla to have a liason. The liason needs to maintain updated materials and attend an ADSO quarterly meeting.
3. Clyde Reynolds needs to know who our VE people are.
4. Need 3 people to become qualified as fingerprint techs.
5. PSI upgrading of Auxiliary Flotilla level is not changing but Division will end by 2009 and be replaced by integrated teams. This will simulate the sector hierarchy. IT and Finance will remain at the Division level. There will be fewer but larger districts and quarterly team meetings rather than monthly meetings.
6. The FC and FSO's will report to the DSO.

### Old Business

1. A Flotilla Phone Tree will be presented at the next meeting.
2. Other options for a surge plan were discussed. The FC would like to see more members get the Auxcomm and set up facilities in their home so that we are not relying on phones. Walt Porter discussed a "call" tree. It was stated that the Operational Readiness forms now replace the "call" tree.
3. Another communication method is the Coast Guard Repeater.
4. Please think about other ways that our Flotilla can implement the required surge plan and bring your ideas to the next meeting.

### New Business

1. Dan Amoroso stated that his e-mail address is incorrect on the member list that was distributed at this meeting. The correct address is nm3s.
2. Ken Chandler asked for Cyndi Ferguson's member number as she is logging hours. The FC will e-mail this information to Dan Amoroso, Ken Chandler and to Cyndi Ferguson.
3. Walt Porter brought up the fact that power point is needed with the new BS&S instruction book. Walt has secured a projector for our flotilla. Walt also may be able to get the flotilla a laptop but if not we will need to have a fund raiser to secure one. DCP Roetz said that each flotilla should get their own laptop. It was discussed how the projector and laptop would be transferred between supervisors of the classes.
4. When the flotilla receives the equipment an 1149 must be returned to Sector.

### Comments from the Guests

Chris Milano is looking for a flotilla to join. He and his wife are members of the Auxiliary and are transferring from Atlantic City. They have a 33' Sundancer. Chris worked on starting up the Harrah's in Chester. He and his wife live in a new house they had built in Chichester with their two children.

### Comments for the Good of the Auxiliary

1. Jeff Ferguson is still waiting to receive 2008 calendars. A check was sent for the calendars but was never cashed. The FC will check further into this matter.

2. Bill Bagley advised the members of a group he is involved with called the Sea Scouts. Sea Scout Ship Vanguard consists of boys and girls ages 13 to 18. They are currently looking for a place in Aston to meet. Some of the requirements for advancement include many of the requirements of our BS&S class. Other requirements have to do with washing and polishing boats. Keep the Sea Scouts in mind when you need to clean up your boat!

### MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Walt Porter and seconded by Jeff Ferguson and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 2030 hours.

Respectfully submitted,  
Charlotte Jordan, FSO-SR

### Next Meeting Date

April 22, 2008