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**District 11NR Electronic Board Meeting Minutes**

Monday, August 19, 2013

**Call to Order;** 1702 by Rod Collins

**Roll Call;** By DCO Collins. A quorum was present electronically. Attendance is reported in addendum A.

**DCO Report to Board;** Rod Collins reported as follows;

- Reported that he was going to NACON tomorrow.

**District Board Reports**

<b>DCDR-1</b>	Richard Celia; Report on file. The Division had a webinar about new publications material and staff items. Another webinar is planned for August 29. He is going to NACON. They are preparing for elections.
<b>DCDR-3</b>	Carl Pierce; Report on file. They have 5 new members. Flotilla 3 9 is working well with park rangers. They did a webinar in June.
<b>DCDR-4</b>	Judy Esteban; Report on file; They have IS officers in 4 9. Held a joint flotilla meeting (4 3 and 4 6. An award was given to a member who is ill.
<b>DCDR-5</b>	Jim Blackburn; Report on file; A lot of stuff has been going on. He is going to each flotilla to carry information. Division election will be in early October. There were some questions about NACON. He wants to set up meeting at CMA to assess their interest in the Auxiliary. Andrew Welch is the contact at NACON. Rod will contact him.
<b>DCDR-6</b>	Sean Sheehan; Not present.
<b>DCDR-7</b>	Mike Thompson; Not present.
<b>DCDR-8</b>	Tom O'Connor; Report on file; They lost a flotilla commander due to illness. Another member is suffering cancer.
<b>DCDR-10</b>	Phillip E. Grove; Excused.
<b>DCDR-11</b>	Bill Stoltz; Report on file, COW at station, new OIC is strong supporter of the Aux. OPTREX was excellent, QEs were very professional. Training programs have been extended...

<b>DCDR -12</b>	Linda Haynes; Not present.
<b>P-PCA</b>	Mary Kirkwood; Report on file. About 100 are signed up for PCA so far. Only a few spots are available for the first day. There will be 5 way points, and a heaving line contest. The Aux Memorial team has held several meetings. Mary

	listed some of the online classes at NACON.
DCAPT-RBS	Simone Adair; Doing well on RBS. Several classes are coming up at PCA.
DCAPT- SPT	Curtis Han; Report on file. They have a new ADSO, Anita Farnholtz. He pointed out that incomplete packages are a problem; all items need to be signed. Mary did a great job on MT, He would like more information on Americas Cup, Ops and social events.
DCAPT-RES	Wallace A. Smith; Report on file. OPTREXs in 11 and 7 were both well done. The aviation squadron includes two LTs from the gold side. Records and report regarding vessels in protected areas. DSO-OPS report is excellent-----all should read it. OTO James has done PPE input. AOMs system is very well done.
IPDCO	COMO Angelo Perata; Excused.
DCOS	Richard Thomas; He has been out of town attended a COW. Legal is reviewing the DTRAIN contract.
DIRAUX	CDR Curtis Sumrok; OTO Matt has done a great job. At the end of the day the PPE policy will be a best practice. There is some money available, except for travel. There is some money to be spent before the end of the year. The plan is to give it to high performing Ops---investing in them. SAMA funds are a dynamic situation. YN Anderson has been replaced by YN2 Antonia Carlson. If you are not getting service from DIRAUX report through the chain of command. Sumrok will try to correct problems which he can do only if he knows about them. Members in AA status are not allowed to wear uniforms or perfume Ops duties. There are some questions on the authority of ID cards. There are new Coasties, 1 in Div 3, and 1 in Div 6. Phil Grove will be in charge of new Coasties out in the field. Rod injected that high performers will get equipment.
OTO	CWO Matt James; District 11 OPTREX was great. He commented on his observation of activities. Felt he was seeing good stuff. Rod inserted his thanks to OTO and CDR for their good work.
Ann Zocchi	Will be doing an HR presentation next week; all are welcome to attend.
Gail Ramsey	Division 10 event in the delta can have QEs, opening the event to all.
Jim Duncan	42% of Patons have been done, the deadline is September 30.
Jim Goff	Reported that one of our members is home recovering from injuries suffered in an auto accident.

## Old Business

- The September meeting will begin at 1700. Uniform is tropes. Get TDY application in to get orders. DCAPT meeting will be first at 1130, lunch will be provided to the Board. We need to be done with this meeting by 1300. Candidates are Wally, Simone and Jim Blackburn; Charley Duncan will be nominated from the floor. Each candidate will have 2 minutes to speak to the Board.
- DTRAIN; There are a few issues with the Hyatt contact. We expect to sign it at the next BOD meeting.
- Americas Cup. Per COMO Connell; Things are going well. 16 patrols with 2 to 4 facilities out there. We are at the half way point. Linda Vetter is doing a great job as PA Coordinator. She has submitted an article on organizing for

AC duty. There is a blog re the Aux at the AC. At the September 7<sup>th</sup> meeting a Capt will be there to be confirmed. We had a request from sector to provide training; Jim Blackburn will provide it. There will probably be no Aux component at Fleet Week. NACON starts today.

- District Store; Dave Carlson resigned from his job with the district store, Simone Adair is taking over. She is trying to get all orders completed. The store is closed. She hasn't decided whether to have the store at PCA or DTRAIN. Members can order stuff on the National website in the meantime.

## **New Business**

- Steve Salmon asked about awards and recognition. Please pass info to COMO Salmon. He can be a great resource.

- New Officer Training; DCO Collins indicated that it will be available in November for FCs and other new officers. Aux data is being updated; we need to get our hours in correctly ASAP.

- TCT; CDR Sumrok indicated that there is a new procedure for TCT instructors --- relying on DCDRs to approve people for TCT instructors. The information goes to DCAPT of the Division to approve.

- Tom O'Connor indicated that there will be a new electronic TCT. Instructors will need an Ops background and meet the other qualifications. Aux Chef, Commercial Fishing Vessel examiners need the 8 hour TCT.

## **Final Comments**

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## **Adjournment**

There being no further comment or discussion, DCO Collins adjourned the meeting at 2022.

**Next Meeting; At PCA 1130 for elections 1700 for Board meeting.**

**Addendum A; Attendance list (The DSO-S/R was not in full communication with the webinar, therefore it is not clear who actually attended the webinar)**

**Board Members in attendance;**

Rod Collins DCO            Jim Blackburn DCDR-5  
Rich Thomas DCOS        Mary Kirkwood P-PCA  
Richard Celia DCDR-1    Simone Adair DCAPT  
Carl Pierce DCDR-3       Tom O'Connor DCDR- 8    Wally Smith DCAPT  
Judy Esteban DCDR-4    Bill Stolz DCDR- 11  
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  
Jerry Edelen FSO-PA 6 4  
Ann Zocchi DSO-HR              Anita Farnholtz DSO-IS  
Jim Duncan DSO-NS  
Jim Goff DSO-PV