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District 11 Northern Region**

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District 11NR Electronic Board Meeting Minutes
14, May 2014 1900 PDT

Call to Order: 1903 hours by DCO Rod Collins

Roll Call: By DCO Collins. Present: DIRAUX: CDR Curtis Sumrock; CWO2 Matt James
COMO Rod Collins DCO; Richard Thomas DCOS; COMO Angelo Perata IPDCO/DNACO;
Wally Smith DCAPT; William Stolz DCAPT; Simone Adair DCAPT;
Richard Celia DCDR; Carl Pierce DCDR; Judy Estaban DCDR; Thomas Sarnicola DCDR; Sean Sheehan DCDR;
Michael Thompson DCDR; Thomas O'Connor DCDR; Rod Rollins DCDR; Leon Borden DCDR;
Gregory Fonzeno DCDR; PCA Mary Kirkwood

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. National has chosen D11N as 1 in 3 Districts to have members fill out a survey, will be emailed to general membership and will take about 5 minutes. Pass along to all members to please fill out. DNACO 3 Star Awards are due 30 June. All Flotillas are encouraged to submit a package. Contact Ann Zocchi or Tim Kahn for more info. National sending out email to all members regarding a problem with security PII Data affecting members since 2006. FAQ info going out too. Any concerns please contact DCO Rod Collins directly via email and information will be passed on. NSBW reminder to please take lots of pictures... Do not forget that any photo of a child under 18 must have a written signed release form from a parent. It is California State Law. Form document on National website under public affairs & Auxiliary website. Ann Zocchi will send the AUX A7020F Form Release to Board & Staff.

District Board Reports:

DCDR 1 Richard Celia – Report on file: Division has all areas & venues covered for NSBW. He will put out a list for anyone to attend. They have a Public Service Announcement regarding life jackets on Folsom Lake. Their 2nd OPTREX will be 3rd week of July. He received a request for a recommendation for an Ombudsman.

DCDR 3 Carl Pierce – Report on file: Antlers OPTREX was very successful. FL 39 participating in “Rodeo Day” with ‘Cowboys Wear Life Jackets’ Float where 3-5K people attend. FL 3-10 hold a PFD exchange sponsored by KOHL’s and a Safety Fair in Discovery Park. FL 33 will hold River Cats Event in conjunction with the Coast Guard 75th Anniversary celebration.

DCDR 4 Judy Estaban – Report on file: Celebrated South Bay Opening Day 1 week early with PA booth, boats on the water, and VE exams. May 17 at West Marine, VE’s Redwood City, Lake Anderson & Alviso Marina Launch & West Marine event. Thank you to Tim Kahn and Simone Adair for their Diversity presentation.

DCDR 5 Thomas Sarnicola – Report on file: Getting NSBW Proclamation from Counties. Will have an event at Suisun Yacht Club with aerial display. FL 51 Benicia to have a booth. Still working on getting enough people for a Discovery Bay Flotilla. Jim Blackburn has update on Discovery Bay Area group has 17 people in new member course. The City of Richmond Police Department has no crew available and is asking permission for Auxiliary support to do Patrols.

DCDR 6 Sean Sheehan – Report on file: NSBW Santa Cruz Harbor celebrating their 50th Anniversary. Auxiliary support for all events with the Honor Guard participating at the ceremony. Lots of kudos for the Auxiliary. NSBW FL 64 kick-off in Pacific Grove with Boating Safety Presentation & Suddenly In Command course at Santa Cruz Harbor. FL 64, 67 & 6-10 are supporting a Public Affairs Booth & VE Exams. FL 64 will be helping at Memorial Day event at Coast Guard Pier in Monterey.

DCDR 7 Michael Thompson – Report on File: NSBW will have VE’s at all major lakes. Reservoir Grand Opening celebration will have Boating Safety Booth and VE station. The lakes are at 80- 90% capacity.

DCDR 8 Thomas O'Connor – Report on file: NSBW. VE exams scheduled and ABS Class in May. FL 87 to have school visits and life jacket giveaway; FL 88 NSBW Proclamation, VE’s and life jacket giveaway; FL 8-11 at school sites a life jacket giveaway and big water safety day.

DCDR 10 Rod Rollins – Report on file: NSBW FL 10-05 water safety presentation event for kids in Fresno, 10-06 member sponsored life jacket giveaway and patrols.

DCDR 11 Leon Borden – Report on file: NSBW Proclamation to be at Cabela's for the public to see. Safe Boating instruction and VE stations scheduled for Lake Tahoe.

DCDR 12 Gregory Fonzeno – Report on file: NSBW Proclamation from City of Alameda and County of Alameda. Public Affairs booth at San Ramon Art & Wind Festival, ABS Suddenly in Command, VE & other public affairs scheduled.

PPCA Mary Kirkwood – Report on file:

CAPT Prevention Wally Smith – Report on file: Called for comments from DSO's in attendance. Jim Duncan DSO-NS Report on File; All Bridge Reports due end of May. Please get them in. Jerry Edelen DSO-PA Report on File; Word is getting out that articles submitted with pictures are getting published. Will compile them & send to DCO in one document. Getting positive feedback from members. Reminder National Public Affairs Contest submissions due by 25 May to Jerry and he will submit them. Jim Goff DSO-VP Report on File; Nothing new. Mike Lauro DSO-VE Report on File; District is only 53% completing VE Exam workshop. Members going into in REYR will be notified, an Email is going out tomorrow. Link to Exam is on the National Website.

Wally thanked NSBW coordinator Diana Serchia as and also Gail Giacomini for her hard work on the Pier 39 Event. Diana thanks to Division DCDR's for sending reports in. Looking for a Great NSBW weekend with Radio Disney. Reminder from DCO, Division NSBW Reports, including pictures due late Jun/early July please send to Diana Serchia so she will have time to compile the report.

DCAPT Response William Stolz – Report on file: Called for comments from DSO's in attendance. Gail Ramsey DSO-OPS Report on File; Please read the OPS Report, a marathon report, has a lot of very important information. Bill Stolz complimented FL 38 & 3-10 on preparing for NSBW events.

DCAPT Support & Planning Simone Adair – Report on file: Called for comments from DSO's in attendance. Anita Farnholtz DSO-IS Report on File, 10 members will be attending C School the Aux 10. George Rogers DSO-SL, Report on File, Nothing further. Ann Zocchi DSO-HR Report on File; ANSC 7035 please double check and resubmit if necessary. Simone Adair said Power Point Presentation are available, contact her if interested. Contact Richard Celia or Diana Serchia for information on Memorial Day activities at the Presidio. Great job from all the Division. Please get your hours in.

DCOS Richard Thomas – Steve Salmon is working with Anita Farnholtz and her committee in revising part of standing rules.

IPDCO Angelo Perata: DIV 11 will be at Reno Cabela's 17 May for NSBW, along with Nevada Dept. of Wildlife, displaying Life jackets. The 2013 recreational boating STATS show accidents and deaths are down from 2012. Seems like program is working. He will send out copy of the report. A new version of "Suddenly in Command" is on the National website. Reminder that an adult must be present when children under 17 attend PE classes. Some parents drop kids off and leave making Instructor legally responsible. Legal is looking into it. Rod please send pictures of NSBW to Angelo.

DIRAUX CDR Curtis Sumrock: Coasties have been deployed with ramps on trailers to DIV 3, 6, 10 and on Island. Issues with maintenance should be directed to Phil Grove ADSO-PA-CST for Coastie. OTO & CDR has a list for troubleshooting guide & will get it out to all Coastie handlers. There will be one DIRAUX for D11N & D11S in 2015. There is a proposal to digitize records at National level more to follow. Awards should be submitted for "above and beyond the call of duty" with documentation. In past some have been submitted without substance. Activity does not equal award. Steve Salmon is giving great recommendations Golden Gate's '25' to be transferred to Lake Powell. Refer questions up the chain or to OTO. D11 Change of Command 5 June. YN2 Anderson leaving on 24 May will not be replaced. YN2 Robinson will be handling majority of travel claims. All interviews or press releases or publications including NSBW items must be vetted through DIRAUX, up chain to DSO-PA then to CDR.

DIRAUX OTO Matt James: Read DSO-OPS report very important regarding fatigue standards. Every facility has 8hr limit. What is not counted is trailer time and is included in the 8hr limit. Never plan to exceed 8 hour fatigue standard. Must ask for waiver early on in sortie. Sector is paying close attention to this standard. CDR Sumrock reiterates exceeding limit, is considered "outside the scope of employment", and can jeopardize yourself and others. OTO is receiving email requests for training from Other Government Agencies. Only approved PE Courses to promote boating safety are acceptable. Send requests to OTO. New Chaplin in D11 hopes to attend an

OPTREX to meet Auxiliarists. DCO extends invitation for new Chaplin to attend the next District Meeting on the Island. Coast Guard Day, 29 May, at Oakland A's Coliseum, \$25 with free BBQ before game, more info contact OTO. He will be doing 'Interacting with Auxiliarists' training for Active Duty at Small Boat Stations through the summer. QE drill cards are posted and Auxiliarists are encouraged to review before their QE review session.

Discussion:

D-Train: Please read Fran Fisher's report. She has complete breakdown on D-Train 2014. Working on plan for 2015 should have an update by June meeting. Kudos and thanks to Division 3 for a great job.

NSBW: Thank you to all DCDR's reports. IPDCO Angelo asked if NSBW events can be put on District Calendar. Rod will ask Dianna Serchia to get a report of events out to all Board & Staff.

District Awards: Anita thanks everyone including Mary & Steve who have been working on update on Appendix G Standard District Awards. The modifications should be ready to be voted on at June meeting. Thank you for all your hard work.

Intent to Run for Office: Received as of today; Richard Thomas for DCO, Wally Smith for COS, Bill Stolz, Mike Thompson & Richard Celia for DCAPT. Intent to run to be submitted to DCO Rod Collins, DNACO Perata or CDR Sumrock by 20 July afterward must be nominated from floor.

Let's make this a great NSBW.

The Vice National Commodore will be here in June. District Staff Meeting will be a funded meeting. Send travel requests to YN2 Robinson.

Adjourn: There being no further comment or discussion, DCO Collins adjourned the meeting at 2029.

Next Meeting: Saturday 21, June 2014 - 1000 hours, Coast Guard Island, Alameda, CA

Respectfully Submitted by: Maryanne Collins for Carrie Vandebloom, DSO-SR

ADDENDUM A: District Board, Staff Officers, Guests Present

DIRAUX: CDR Curtis Sumrock; CWO2 Matt James

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COMO Angelo Perata IPDCO/DNACO

DCAPT Prevention: Wally Smith DCAPT

DCAPT Response: William Stolz DCAPT

DCAPT Support & Planning: Simone Adair DCAPT

DIV 1 - Richard Celia DCDR

DIV 3 - Carl Pierce DCDR

DIV 4 - Judy Estaban DCDR

DIV 5 - Thomas Sarnicola DCDR

DIV 6 - Sean Sheehan DCDR

DIV 7 - Michael Thompson DCDR

DIV 8 - Thomas O'Connor DCDR

DIV 10 - Rod Rollins DCDR

DIV 11 - Leon Borden DCDR

DIV 12 - Gregory Fonzeno DCDR

PCA - Mary Kirkwood

DSO's in Attendance: Tim Kahn DSO-DV; Ann Zocchi DSO-HR; Anita Farnholtz DSO-IS; George Rogers, DSO-MA;

James Duncan, DSO-NS; COMO Gail Ramsey DSO-OP, DSO-SL; Jerry Edelen DSO-PA; James Goff, DSO-PV;

Mike Lauro, DSO-VE;

Guests: COMO Mike Maddox ADSO-CS-MT, COMO Steve Salmon, Diana Serchia, Jim Blackburn, Maryanne Collins.

