



Homeland Security

**U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary
District 11 Northern Region**
Serving Northern California, Nevada, Utah



District 11NR Board & Staff Meeting Minutes
Wednesday 15 August 2018 1900 PDT
Webinar

Call to Order: 1900 hours by DCO Wally Smith

Roll Call: By Georgie Scheuerman. Present were: CDR Paige Keenan; COMO Wally Smith DCO; Mary Kirkwood DCOS; Dean McFarren, DCAPT; Wil Sumner, DCAPT; Ann Zocchi, DCAPT; Michael Mitchell, DCDR; Michael Brown, DCDR; Randy McCormick, DCDR; Jerry Edelen, DCDR; Lana Visser, DCDR; Billy Ray, DCDR; Linda Haynes, DCDR; Virginia Luchetti, DCDR; Mike Thompson, P-PCA

A quorum was present to conduct business.

Attendance is reported in Addendum A.

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

- July 2018: Wil Sumner made motion to approve as amended. Linda Haynes seconded. Minutes approved.

District Board & Staff Reports:

DCDR 1 Michael Mitchell – Rpt on File: Michael had nothing to add to his report.

DCDR 3 Jeff Fite– Rpt on File: Jeff not present. Russ Kaiser (VCDR) reports Jim Duncan is reaching his 50th anniversary with the auxiliary this year. 7 members of the division participated in an event to raise money for victims of the recent fire. (COMO Smith noted this cannot be done in uniform as an auxiliariast unless it's approved as an auxiliary function or mission. Members can participate as an individual but not as an auxiliariast unless approved as noted above.) Flotilla 3-1 doing Air OPS.

DCDR 4 Michael Brown– Rpt on File. Michael reports Tim Kahn gave a presentation at the last division meeting. Members currently doing boat crew and watch standing missions. Next Division Meeting will have a Fellowship Event with the meeting.

DCDR 5 Randy McCormick– Rpt on File: Randy thanked Chief Jason Albert (Station Vallejo) for his interaction with the division. Flotilla 5-5 OPTREX scheduled for 21-23 Sept.

DCDR 6 Jerry Edelen– Rpt on File: Jerry gave a shout out to Craig Johnson who received recognition for his many contributions. Div 6 continues to have many events with Coast Guard Station Monterey.

DCDR 7 Lana Visser – Rpt on File: Lana extended Bravo Zulus to all the Division 7 members who've been working in hot conditions and smoke conditions. She also extended a Bravo Zulu to Anthony King (7-6 member) who is a manager at Bear Lake. He has become a VE and examined all vessels at the lake concession. Div OPTREX coming up. Lana thanked COMO Mike Williams for his efforts for the OPTREX.

DCDR 8 Carl Pierce– Rpt on File: Carl not present. Wayne Pero (VCDR) reported for Carl. Div 8 met with Humboldt Bay recently. Div COW is scheduled for Dec 2. Flotillas continue to support various Coast Guard units (Crescent City, etc.). Div Elections scheduled for Oct 13.

DCDR 10 Billy Ray – Rpt on File: Billy reported the Division 10 OPTREX is scheduled for 22-23 Sept. PE classes ongoing. Still doing patrols.

DCDR 11 Linda Haynes – Rpt on File. Linda reports OPTREX will be small this year and is scheduled for August 24, 25.

DCDR 12 Virginia Luchetti – Rpt on File. Virginia reports an active month on the water. Extended Bravo Zulus to: 1) 2 members of 12-01 who are doing a great job on the Semper Paratus Club, 2) Quindy Sammler is handling MS for

Div 12 and now doing Ferry Audits, and 3) Doug Beckstein and others from 12-01 attended the Lake Merritt Open house handing out PFDs and they also did an event with Coastie.

PPCA: Mike Thompson – Rpt on File: Mike reports the PCA Fair is coming. Flier is out. On line registration is now available. Mike asked DCDRs to please let members know. New DCDRs in 2018 now meet requirement to join the PCA. Work on the AUX Memorial is now underway. Mike reported that a member of 6-10 crossed the bar since the last meeting. COMO Smith reported that Randy Parent (12-91) unfortunately also crossed the bar.

IPDCO: Rich Thomas: COMO Thomas is excused.

DIRAUX: CDR Paige Keenan: CDR Keenan reports she's getting oriented and thanked those helping her. She'll be going to NACON and noted that the DIRAUX office will be closed during the week. Currently processing the background checks. They seem to be moving quickly. If any are going slow, please let DIRAUX know. Also moving thru annual checks for current members. This has both pluses and minuses. Overall going well. She asked that DCDRs let members know they don't need to be on the defensive when they're asked about hits on the background checks. It's very important that they respond within 30 days, especially if they're a victim of identity theft. Mary Kirkwood also emphasized this point and asked DCDRs to communicate this to their FCs.

OTO: BOSN4 Doug Leavell: Rpt on File: OTO Leavell not present.

Mary Kirkwood noted several D11NR members are going to NACON.

Mary Kirkwood: DSO Reports:

DCAPT Prevention Ann Zocchi DCAPT–

Sue Fry DSO-MS – Rpt on File. Sue reports Wil Sumner has met with AUX Air about the abandoned vessels database.

Jim Duncan DSO-NS - Rpt on File: Jim reports Div 3 & 8 have completed PATONs. Sept 30 is deadline for all PATONs.

Jane Smith DSO-PA - Rpt on File: Jane is excused. Ann reported that some members will be attending C-School at NACON. Jane and Doug Manifold will be available at PCA for signoffs.

Sean Harvey DSO-PE – Rpt on File: Sean had nothing to add to his report. Sean said the PE database is probably still not quite up to date. Ann asked DCDRs to check their PE numbers. If they're off for their division, please contact Sean.

Richard Saber DSO-PV - Rpt on File: Richard reports several clients for PV have been affected by the fires.

Mike Lauro DSO-VE - Rpt on File: Mike had nothing to add to his report. Phil Grove will handle the VE class at the PCA Fair.

DCAPT Response Dean McFarren DCAPT –

Larry Olson DSO-AV – Rpt on File: Larry not present. A Bravo Zulu goes to ADSO AVT (Glen Marshall) for his efforts. Had 4 ground schools. Oct 13 is the AUX Air workshop with swim test. Test is open to both air and water crew personnel.

Robert Vanderhyde DSO-CM - Rpt on File: Robert reports 8-39 was called out to call vessels in at Whiskey Town. No other calls for comms support related to fires have been received. Will participate in the Sept 5th COOP Test. Made final request for equipment for the Auxiliary Communications Vehicle (ACV).

Bill Stolz DSO-OPS - Rpt on File: Bill reports the OPTREX in Utah will be this weekend and then Lake Tahoe. Noted there are new AOM Codes to be used for standby time. National Leadership sent out info on invasive species that could be a risk to auxiliary members.

Bruce Martin DSO-IM – Rpt on File: Bruce reports the COOP Exercise will be on Sept 5. Bruce will be watching Incident Management to see how AUX might help in an incident. Recent Everbridge test for all members went well. He noted another test this Saturday for DCDRs and EXCOM.

DCAPT Support & Planning Wil Sumner DCAPT –

Mart Gardner DSO-CS – Rpt on File: Mart reports he has little to add to his report.

Tim Kahn DSO-DV – Rpt on File: Tim reports he has nothing to add to his report but thanked divisions for letting him attend their meetings. COMO Smith thanked Tim for all his efforts this year.

Linda Haynes DSO-FS – Rpt on File: Linda reports getting ready for a few OPTREX. She noted one correction to her report – 1 FS member is helping the Sockeye.

Robert Schabert DSO-HR – Rpt on File: Robert reports net increase of 38 so far this year. Expecting more changes. A couple of HR AUX have copied Robert when responding to inquiries. He appreciates this. Asked DCDRs to ensure application forms are fully filled out.

Anita Farnholtz DSO-IS - Rpt on File: Anita excused.

George Rogers DSO-MA - Rpt on File: George not present. Alfred Wootten filling in for George. He reports the store will be open at the PCA Fair.

Curtis Han DSO-MT – Rpt on File: Curtis reported on the compendium available for AUX qualifications and materials. Asked DCDRs to distribute this information. Noted that information is available for boat crew on the response section of our District Website.

Andrea Cuppoletti DSO-PB – Rpt on File: Andrea reports the 2nd issue of Northwind is out. Looking for prevention articles for the next issue of Northwind.

ASC- SF: COMO Vic Connell: Rpt on File. COMO Connell reports COMO Smith, Mary Kirkwood, and COMO Connell recently met with senior staff at Sector. Capt. Ceraolo noted this is his last year in his current position. He intends to attend Auxiliary COWs. There's a request for AUX vessel support for the upcoming COOP exercise which is a good sign for AUX support. He noted we will have a few vessels helping. Fleet Week support is being prepared. Unfortunately we are down a few aux vessels this year.

ASC- Humboldt: Carl Pierce: Rpt on File. Carl not present.

Georgie Scheurman DSO-SR – Minutes in. Nothing to add.

Fran Fisher DSO-FN – Rpt on File: Fran reports the only dues outstanding are Div 10 and 12.

Joanna Leighton-Nevesny DSO-LP: Joanna not present. Mary Kirkwood noted that Joanna does read all reports. Mary asked that people note how items are related to AUX missions if it's not obvious. COMO Smith noted all contracts must be reviewed by Joanna. She's always quick to respond.

Neal Nevesny - Civil Rights – Neal not present.

DCOS Comments - Mary Kirkwood:

- Division Election Meetings: An EXCOM Representative will attend each division election.
- Division & Flotilla Elections:
 - Notification of results – Send results to Curtis Han so he can be prepared with materials for the Elected Officers Training. Let DIRAUX know as well. COMO Smith is trying to get good rates from the Executive Inn for members coming to the November meeting and Elected Officer Training.
- Past Commanders Association Fair (PCA): 08-09 September: Have 35 registered on line so far.
- Changes of Watch (COW): Have assignments from EXCOM to attend COW. Please send COW info to Mary. She's sent out the list of needed information to DCDRs.

COMO Corner - Wally Smith:

- NACON: 21-26 August:
 - Recommendations to the National Board:
 - Electronic Funds Payment by Districts. Then changes can be made at Div and Flot level.
 - Quorum is currently 25% of members. Now could be 25% of ARCHERS (members with 25 hours in a year).
 - COMO Smith noted he expects these items above will pass.
- Update: re the Auxiliary Communications Vehicle (ACV): Insurance is in place. 6 drivers currently approved. ACV will be at PCA for members to look at. New radios are being ordered for the ACV. Concerned that it's not being used. Asked DCDRs to consider it for uses at OPTREX or other AUX events.

- Numbers: at 61,700 RBS hours reported against our goal of 150,000. Membership's increasing which is good. 85789 Total Hours so far this year.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Awards Program will be presented in September. Wil Sumner noted working on awards for FS. Wil will send this out to all DCDRs for discussion and approval.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Reminder from COMO Smith – For events in October keep an eye on the government funding. If there's a government shutdown, no face-to-face events. BUT electronic meetings are OK.

For the Good of the Auxiliary:

- None

Adjourn: With no further comment or discussion, Mike Thompson made a motion to adjourn and Russ Kaiser seconded. DCO Smith adjourned the meeting at 2018.

Next Meeting: September 8, 2018 1500 PDT

Respectfully Submitted by: Georgie Scheuerman, DSO-SR

ADDENDUM A: District Board, Staff Officers and Guests Present

DIRAUX: CDR Paige Keenan

COMO Wally Smith DCO

Chief of Staff Mary Kirkwood

DCAPT Prevention: Dean McFarren

DCAPT Response: Wil Sumner

DCAPT Support & Planning: Ann Zocchi

DCDR 1 – Michael Mitchell; DCDR 3 –

DCDR 4 – Michael Brown; DCDR 5 – Randy McCormick

DCDR 6 – Jerry Edelen; DCDR 7 – Lana Visser

DCDR 8 – DCDR 10 – Billy Ray

DCDR 11 – Linda Haynes; DCDR 12 – Virginia Luchetti

PCA – Mike Thompson

DSO's in attendance:

DSO-AV –

DSO-CM – Robert Vanderhyde

DSO-CS – Mart Gardner

DSO-DV – Tim Kahn

DSO-FN – Fran Fischer

DSO-HR – Robert Schabert

DSO-IM - Bruce Martin

DSO-IS –

DSO-LP –

DSO-MA-

DSO-MS – Sue Fry

DSO-MT – Curtis Han

DSO-NS – Jim Duncan

DSO-OP – Bill Stolz

DSO-PA –

DSO-PB – Andrea Cuppoletti
DSO-PE – Sean Harvey
DSO-PV – Richard Saber
DSO-SR – Georgie Scheuerman
DSO-VE – Mike Lauro
DSO-FS – Linda Haynes
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ASC SF: COMO Vic Connell
ASC H:

Guests: Russ Kaiser (VCDR Div 3), Wayne Pero (VCDR Div 8), Alan Stanton, Alfred Wootten