

Flotilla 87 Meeting Minutes September 2018

amended 1 OCT 2018, correcting form of address for CWO Moore; changed AP Status.

Unit: 113-08-07, Mendocino County

Date: 15 SEP 2018

Meeting Start: 1047 @ Station Noyo River

Attendees:

Bob Gerbi

Steve Nilson

Kath Disney Nilson

Harold Hauck

Scott Smith

Helen Mackenzie-Morris

Division Attendees: None

Station Liaison: BM2 Trey Biffle, USCG

Station Officer in Charge: CWO Thomas Moore, USCG

AP Status: Scott Smith

Guests: None

Quorum was met.

Minutes for AUG 2018 were approved. Helen moved, Bob seconded.

Station Liaison Report:

BM2 Biffle apologized for missing last month's meeting. The station crew has been busy, trying to get boat and station maintenance completed. The station has been working with ClearLake Aux on two-boat training. There was discussion about getting flotilla members re-certified for boats, but there was not much interest expressed in that.

Mister Moore led a wide-ranging discussion. He mentioned that communication watchstanders would be very useful to the station. If you want to work with the USCG as boat crew or communication watch, the requirements are stiff, same as USCG. Watchstanding would be extremely helpful.

Mister Moore has a lot of experience with the Auxiliary. He is overdue for retirement but will likely remain at the station for awhile. Change of watch may occur in April, due to a shortage of senior chiefs.

The GAR Model for risk assessment has changed to one that is more open to discussion. BM1 Lowry can teach the new 4 hour TCT. Mister Moore recommends *Gale Runner* by Dr Dennis Noble as a good book discussing an actual boating accident.

The Eureka flotilla no longer exists. It was going to detach to Crescent City but that did not work.

Crescent City uses Coastie every week. Crescent City would be happy to share, but a vehicle facility or government vehicle is needed to tow the Coastie trailer.

A Comms Trailer is moving from district to sector in Humboldt where it will be better positioned for disasters in that area.

Flotilla Commander Report

Steve would like to have a new FSO-FN, prior to the annual change of watch. Kath is willing to be FSO-FN, after she passes her final mandatory course.

FSO-IS - Steve will cover this. Until he is qualified, Betsy will continue to cover as FSO-IS.

FSO-SR - Betsy is covering for this.

Scott took some of the mandatory courses at Alameda.

Vice Flotilla Commander Report

- Summary staff reports were sent out in email

Other Staff Reports

- HR - there is 1 remaining member renewal. Ariel has transferred. John Fisher has moved and has quit the flotilla.

Commendations, Awards and Member Recognition

- 25 years for Larry MacDonald. His earlier certificates were destroyed by fire. Tina from DirAux will get replacement certificates.

New and Continuing Business

- Helen passed out sign up sheets for the Thanksgiving morale luncheon on Wednesday Nov 14.
- The last lens tour is Sept 22. Two afternoon spots are still available. Bob will take the top floor.
- Note: lost-paddle stickers can be useful. There was a recent all-night search for persons who might have lost a kayak, found upside down in Mendocino Bay. Stickers for paddles and kayaks would have been of value; they would have helped in the recent search.
- Helen provided overalls for Scott to help with windows.

Good of Order/Fellowship

After-meeting lunch.

Meeting adjourned: 1158 hours.

After Meeting Notes:

Important Future Dates:

- 20 OCT 2018 10:30 next Flotilla 87 Monthly Meeting @ Station Noyo River

Respectfully submitted,

Betsy Frey, FSO-SR, 113-08-07