

Flotilla 87 Meeting Minutes June 2021

Unit: 113-08-07, Mendocino County

Date: 19 June, 2021

Meeting Start: 1115 via GoToMeeting

Attendees:

Steve Nilson, FC Glenn Funk, IPFC Helen Mackenzie Morris, VFC
Lorraine Cheney Madeleine Brink, SR

Division Attendees: None.

Station Liaison:

AP Status: Scott Smith, Jen Lewis

Guests:

Quorum was met, 5 members.

Previous Meeting Minutes: May 2021 meeting minutes approved by Glenn Funk, seconded by Helen Mackenzie Morris.

Station Liaison Report: None.

Flotilla Commander (FC) Report: The Division meeting was held last Wednesday June 9th. The following topics were discussed:

1. Steve hasn't heard from BM Mark Hoigaard, our liaison. Glenn attended the Change of Command meeting held on June 11th at the station for Senior Chief Hendrickson, who isn't retiring but is being transferred to the Coast Guard Academy in North Carolina. Master Chief Petty Officer Meloro is now in command. BM Trey Biffie said that the Auxiliary is getting a new liaison officer to replace Mark Hoigaard but there is no word yet as to who this will be.
2. Glenn said that we are very close to becoming an Attachment to another Flotilla due to our low number.
3. Glenn said that the safe boating 47ft. RIB (Rigid Inflation Boat) that the Auxiliary uses in Crescent City is inoperable and out of the water.
4. Steve took the following information at the Division meeting held on June 9th over Zoom:
 - a. Anyone in Operations needs to take the Risk Management refresher 2.0. Glenn and Helen are the only members needing it and both have taken it.
 - b. Vessel Exam training is now held online once per year. Anyone needing this training can watch the video and complete the self attestation form. There's a place on AuxData II where it can be entered. The video takes about 30 minutes and should be completed by June 30th. Go to the Flotilla website then the District website. At the beginning of the screen there is a place that says to sign up for VE.
 - c. The Coast Guard Food Service has changed names to Culinary Assistant I for Auxiliarists and Culinary Assistant II for regular Coast Guard members. Glenn reminded us that all people applying for this course must be clean shaven.
5. The following is a repeat from the last two months: Regarding the core courses (a reminder): A course will be offered the hour prior to Division meetings for all Auxiliarists who want to attend. This is a good way to get your courses completed as anyone who joins the Zoom (not GoTo Meeting) class will get credit for the course and they will take care of the paperwork. Another method of completing the courses is to take it by PowerPoint and then check on LMS (Learning Management Systems) available through the Auxiliary webpage to make sure that you completed it. Be sure to take a screenshot of completion and send it in. Some people can't do PowerPoint so look on Microsoft Office. Glenn is our training officer.

Vice Flotilla Commander (VFC) Report:

Glenn asked if Chris maintains a Puffer address book.

Other Staff Reports: None.

Commendations, Awards and Member Recognition: None.

New and Continuing Business:

- Bob sends out dues notices close to the end of June. Steve will send an updated member list to Bob.
- The July BBQ: Steve said that the Auxiliary hasn't come out with new guidelines for outdoor events and he'll have to send a risk assessment form. He suggested that we postpone the BBQ until August or September as the covid variants seem to be on the rise. Glenn moved and Helen seconded to postpone the BBQ until August or September, probably September.
- Core courses: most of the core courses are broken because they are on Adobe Flash. Use PDF, Powerpoint, or video and do the self-attestation. Steve will send out the link and said to use the first password you ever used in the Auxiliary. Sign the self attestation form and send it to Steve or DIRAUX. If you are in REYR you can't be a Flotilla staff officer.
- We have two positions open next year: Commander and Navigation Systems (NS). Jen is still on AP status and so can't fulfill the position as Steve had hoped. Steve is retiring at the end of the year but will still be around for help. He has a PowerPoint video on lens maintenance. Jen still needs to complete the core courses, get on BQ status, as well as taking the Safe Boating course. There are three boating safety course: the BS&S course, About Boating Safety (given by the Power Squadron), and also the Park Service gives a safe boating course. The BS&S course is the most comprehensive.
- Glenn spoke to Julie, the librarian at the Point Arena Library about the Flotilla meeting in their meeting room. She said "Of course", but Steve said that we haven't yet got the OK to have a face-to-face meeting.

Good of Order/Fellowship:

Meeting adjourned: 1219 hours. Glenn moved and Helen seconded.

After Meeting Notes:

Important Future Dates:

- **Next flotilla meeting: July 17th at 11 on GoToMeeting.**
- **BBQ: Postponed to August or September.**
- **October: Deadline to obtain your RealID.**
- **Sunday Dec. 5th: Division COW lunch at the Benbow Inn.**
- **Sunday Dec. 12th: Flotilla COW lunch at Silver's at 11am.**

Web Site References

<http://wow.uscgaux.info/content.php?unit=113-08-07>

Flotilla 87 web site

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Madeleine Brink, FSO-SR, Flotilla 87