



## **North Star Flotilla Staff Meeting Minutes**

November 8, 2018

Present: Donna Bagdasarian, Robert Bagdasarian, Arnold Butziger, David Butziger, Rosaline Butziger, Karen Caron, Normand Caron, Louise Cunningham, Paul Cunningham, Charlie Jenison, Miriam Keithal, Paul March, Bob Meisner, Mary Quinn, Michael Quinn, Cindy Robert, Jim Robert, Ken Shallcross, Jeanne Vetter

Guests: Norm Choquette, Jan Koeszar, Jay Koeszar

The meeting began at 7:06 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

The Minutes from the September 2018 Meeting were accepted.

The Treasurer report and Operations were accepted.

Topic: Election

David Butziger was duly elected as Commander and David Seisel was elected as Vice Commander. Posts will be effective January 1, 2019.

Topic: **Public Education**

Discussion: Winter courses are set for Power Boating, Sail Boating and Navigation. Dates to follow.

Topic: **Navigation Systems**

Discussion: A navigation discrepancy was discovered last night when Mike and crew were on patrol.

Topic: **Computer/Information Services**

Discussion: The Flotilla website is up to date. The shelves are stocked with manuals. Reporting of 7029 is very low for 2018 (1613 hours) versus 2017 (3388 hours). Please submit your hours so that the Auxiliary can continue to receive funding.

Topic: **Human Resources**

Discussion: There are currently 44 active members in this Flotilla. There are five potential new members, 14 members are retired and 11 are disenrolled.

Topic: **Member Training**

Discussion: Nick reviewed the USCG Auxiliary Structure, staff officer rules and basic knots. Please report on 7029 under 99D.

Topic: **Awards**

TCT certificates were distributed. Louise is now boat crew qualified. Mike received award for 79 hours on-water support. Mary's boat crew renewal is complete. Miriam's enrollment is complete.

Topic: **Social Event**

The Change of Watch is scheduled for Sunday, December 16 at Finn's Harborside. Fees are \$10 for members, \$20 for non-members. Please bring a \$10 gift for Yankee Swap. The event starts at noon.

Topic: **Old Business**

The flag is being cleaned and retired. A new flag will be provided.

Topic: **New Business**

The RI Boat show will be held January 4 – 6, 2019 and the Saltwater Boat Show will be held March 24, 25, 2019.

Jan gave thanks for the invite to the Flotilla meeting and gave an update of the Division meeting that was held on Tuesday evening. The time-to-clear has been shortened. The 7001 application form will undergo changes. There will no longer be fingerprinting needed for a basic application unless direct operation clearance is needed. Aux will do random checks.

The Division Change of Watch will take place on February 23 at Edgewood Yacht Club .

The meeting ended at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Bagdasarian