

# **FLORIDA BEACH PATROL CHIEFS ASSOCIATION**

Flagler Beach, May 16, 2018

## **The following members were in attendance:**

Eric Hellstrom	St. John's County	President
Joe Talyor	Hallandale Beach	VP / South
Joe Peloquin	Palm Beach County	VP / Central
Breck Ballou	Fort Lauderdale	Secretary / Advisor
Jo Wagenhals	Pompano Beach	
Andrew Ritchie	St. Lucie County	
Gerry Falconer	Miami Beach	USLA / SER President
Bob Maler	Miami-Dade	Retired / Life Member

## **The following guests were in attendance:**

Scott Hansson                      St John's County  
Flagler Beach / Coquina Cup Crew – Matt Dunn, Casey, Gene

## **Members who notified absence in advance:**

Phil Wotton, Joe Westerman, Rob Caldwell, Tom Fogan, Don May, Patrick Brafford, Mike Huck, Brad Beckett, John Frazier, and Luis Andrade

## **Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions**

Meeting was called to order at 4:10PM. President Eric Hellstrom thanked Matt Dunn for hosting the meeting.

## **Guest Speakers**

### **Approval of Minutes from Daytona Beach meeting**

- Eric Hellstrom made a motion to approve the April 7<sup>th</sup> St Petersburg & March Manatee County minutes, Jo Wagenhals seconded and the motion to approve the minutes passed.

## **Communications & New Business combined.**

- Discussion ensued on the National Drowning Prevention Alliance Conference that took place in April.
- Bob Maler complimented Eric Hellstrom and Gerry Falconer for their roll as master of ceremony at the FBPCA banquet.
- Bob Maler congratulated Gerry Falconer on his recent promotion at Miami Beach Ocean Rescue.

### **Officer Reports**

#### **Eric Hellstrom - President:**

- Miami-Dade confirmed as the June 13<sup>th</sup> FBPCA meeting location. Eric stated that he is trying to get a Sealver Waveboat demonstration scheduled for the meeting (See attached brochure)

**Phil Wotton: VP / Central / Treasurer – Balance: \$4,531.08.**

#### **Joe Taylor: VP / South –**

- Hallandale Ocean Rescue has a full time position open at this time.

#### **Breck Ballou: Secretary / Advisor - deferred**

#### **Joe Peloquin: VP / Central –**

- Joe discussed dispatch issues in Palm Beach County.
- Delray Beach mile swim is Saturday May 19<sup>th</sup>
- Palm Beach County Lifeguard tournament @ South Inlet Park Boca Raton is June 13
- Palm Beach County Ocean Mile Swim is July 21

#### **Andrew Ritchie: VP / North –**

- Stated that there is dredging going on in St Lucie County.

#### **Joe Westerman: VP / West – not in attendance**

### **USLA Report**

#### **Gerry Falconer: USLA / SER President**

- Gerry stated that he continues to work on the Fall USLA National Conference meeting to be held in Delray Beach.

- The October FBPCA meeting will be moved from Dania Beach to Delray in conjunction with the National meeting.
- Discussed the 2018 Southeast Regional competition to be held in Flagler Beach....dates are July 25 & 26 for Seniors and July 28 for Juniors.
- USLA Nationals will be held in Virginia Beach or Daytona Beach August 8, 9, 10, & 11.
- Membership is on the upswing and Gerry discussed the importance of how additional national delegates can affect major decisions on the national level.

### **Coquina Cup Tournament discussed.**

### **2018 Monthly Schedule**

June 13<sup>th</sup> – Miami-Dade  
 July – Correspond with Regionals  
 August 15<sup>th</sup> – Cocoa Beach  
 September 19<sup>th</sup> – Palm Beach County  
 October – Date TBA in Delray Beach  
 November 14<sup>th</sup> – Indian River County  
 December 12<sup>th</sup> – Deerfield Beach

### **Meeting Adjournment:**

Motion made to adjourn the meeting made by Eric Hellstrom, second by Joe Peloquin. Meeting adjourned at 5:15 PM, with Coquina Cup officials meeting directly following.

### **Next meeting:**

Miami-Dade June 13<sup>th</sup> – 11 AM

**Address: Directions to Miami-Dade County / Haulover Park Beach:** North or South // I-95 to [826 East or Exit 12B or Exit 163<sup>rd</sup> street]. East 6+ miles to Collins Avenue. Take right (south) 2 miles - look for Lifeguard Headquarters on left / ocean side - two story yellow building w lighthouse. Park in public parking lot ½ mile further down the road (south) on the right [tell toll booth operator in Park you are here for a FBPCA meeting / show parking pass (don't pay toll)]. Drive towards LG HQ building, park & walk through tunnel to get to HQ. Come in garage entrance.

Address: 13731 Collins Avenue, N. Miami Beach, Fl. 33154.