

FLORIDA BEACH PATROL CHIEFS ASSOCIATION

MEETING MINUTES:

07/18/23

The following members were in attendance:

Matthew Sparling	Miami-Dade County	President
Phil Wotton	Delray Beach	Treasurer
A.J. Miller	Volusia County	Secretary
Ian Montgelas	Martin County	VP Central
Andrew Ethridge	Volusia County	
Jim McCrady	Hallandale Beach	
Joe Wagenhals	Pompano Beach	
Helen Khoshnevis	Breakers	
Tom Gillan	Flagler Beach	
Andrew Ritchie	St. Lucie County	
Alex Bagwell	Fort Lauderdale	
Tom Fogan	Retired Fort Lauderdale	

The following Lifetime Members were in attendance:

Don May	Retired Palm Beach County
Bob Maler	Miami-Dade (Retired) (Zoom)

The following members attended through Zoom:

Joe Westerman	Retired Manatee County	Advisor
Alan Holt	Volusia County	USLA President
Austin Turnbull	Navarre Beach	
Jason Casanova	City of Miami Beach	

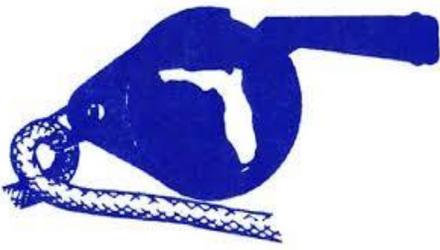
Call to Order, Welcome and Introductions

Meeting called to order by Matt Sparling at 1402 hours. Welcome and thanks to everyone for joining.

Motion made to approve minutes from June meeting. Adjusted schedule. Updated on calendar. Joint FBPCA/USLA SER meeting to be in Panama Beach October 13th. Moment of silence observed for the passing of Rob Caldwell.

Communications

Bob Taylor sends his best.



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Officer Reports

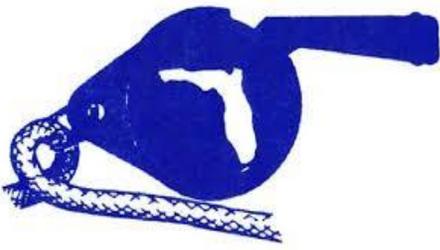
Matt Sparling President-

- NCM (Movie theatre advertising) Grant
- Potential Static picture of sponsorship of movie trivia
- Tampa, Daytona, Palm Beach, Jacksonville, Panama City Beach. Month of May. 15 seconds-\$20,000
- Motion to divert \$20,000 from flags to theaters in pan handle
- Same 17 billboards, 3 extra year-round, Airports, condition flags from Water Safety products, adding theaters to grant request.
- Grant has to be submitted in September
- Potentially may not be able to do billboards in Pan Handle due to managing company being based in Alabama

Joe Westerman Advisor –

- Start looking for nominees for LGOTY, BPOTY

Phil Wotton: Statement Balance	June 30, 2023	\$1,233.49
• May Income		
• St Lucie BOCC		\$125
City of Clearwater		\$200
Amazon Smile		\$10.62
• June Expenses		
Go Daddy/ORG Domain Renewal		\$21.17
Go Daddy / Hosting Renewal		\$167.88
• Banquet Income		
Salty Sports Society		\$250
P2P Rescue		\$250
Original Waterman		\$500
DBOR Chapter	\$250	
Bausch Enterprises		\$250



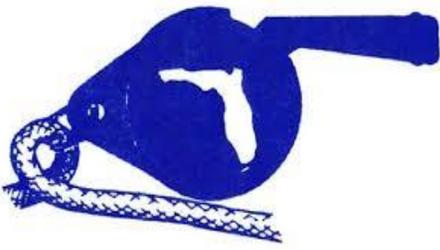
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Alumni	\$100
Paragon Marine	
Florida Open Water	
USLA SER	
TOTAL INCOME	\$1,600.00
• Banquet Expenses FBPCA / Hotel Deposit	\$500
Action Awards	\$45.00
4 Imprint	\$2,127.43 / Grant Funded
Amazon/Projector	\$229.39 / Grant Funded
Johnson Printing	\$451.22
Action Awards	\$1,035.00
Action Awards	\$135
Florida Hotel Banquet Fees	\$3,079.28
Florida Hotel AV Charges	\$334.10
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$7,936.42
FBPCA CONTRIBUTION	\$3,979.60

Delray Beach-

- One vacant full-time position.
- Open full time & part time job postings have been taken down.
- July 4th, no significant incidences.
- Course is all set for regionals.
- Contract year for Delray. City commission to provide direction in early August.

A.J. Miller: Secretary – I will be updating the email list.
Please send in your meeting discussion points before or within 1 week after the meeting.



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SOUTH

Gerry Falconer: Miami Beach VP South – Not in Attendance

Jason Casanova: Miami Beach –

- Gerry promoted to new DC spot.
- Social media for 2 months (B roll).
- Have a part time and full time test in the next two months.
- Awarded \$24,000 grant for AEDs.
- Main manual updated every two years and rotating every year.

Marcos Fernandez: City of Miami (not Miami Beach) – Not in Attendance

Alex Bagwell: Fort Lauderdale

- 3 new towers at Bosch (installed after turtle season)
- 800+ nests on the beach.
- Two JG sessions. 15 new PTE hired.
- FTE full.
- New jetski to fleet, 3 total.
- Approved for a temporary HQ.

Jim McCrady: Hallandale Beach –

- Full fleet.
- Another year at current HQ location.
- Part time test on July 27th, Full time August 10th.
- Hollywood 15+ MSO positions

Ramo Cline: Hollywood Beach – Not in Attendance

Mike Huck: Dania Beach – Not in Attendance

Jo Wagenhals: Pompano Beach

- Not in the new HQ yet
- Held up due to elevator panel
- Two FT out on injury
- Contact list update.

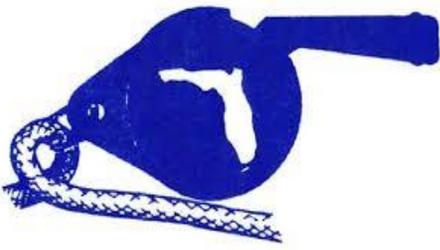
Tom Fogan: Fort Lauderdale – Not in Attendance

Mike Brown: Deerfield Beach – Not in Attendance

Luis Andrade: – Miami-Dade County – Not in Attendance

CENTRAL

Clint Tracy: Boca Raton VP Central– Not in attendance



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Phil Wotton: Delray Beach – Gave Report under Treasurers report.

Tom Mahady: Boynton Beach – Not in Attendance

Ian Montgelas: Martin County –

- Heat, environmental emergencies, two full timers hired, 1 FTE vacancies. 1 on-call hired, August 1 next swim time for FTE
- Tower refurbishment issue- Bosch declined work after accepting bid. Bid is back out. New condition boards.
- Bathtub beach still closed.
- Continuing with 4/10s.
- Ian to follow up with Paragon for sponsorship due from banquet.

Andy Ritchie: St. Lucie County –

Nothing to report

Johnathan Billings: Indian River County – Advised he could not attend. Nothing to report.

Nathan Rieck: Vero Beach – Not in Attendance

Ken Keaton: John's Island - Not in Attendance

Helena Khoshnevis: Breakers

- New hires.
- Lifeguard cert class next week.
- Guards interested in showing up for Regionals.

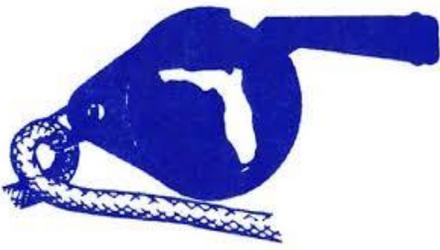
North

Jeremy Watkins: St. Johns County VP North–

Stephen Fender: Brevard County – Not in Attendance

Andrew Ethridge: Volusia County –

- No longer LEO, staff given options to stay or go.
- 77 FTE to 44.
- Short on part timer, 30% down on PT. 30-40% of those haven't worked this year.
- 40% of the command staff.
- Losing 15 FTE.
- 4 drownings (all in unguarded areas).
- Promotional things, proclamation from county council.
- Working with community information live streaming competition.
- No effect on pay or benefits to employees that stayed.
- High profile jetty rescue during lightening storm.
- Looking forward to spending more time.



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- New logo

Maxwell Ervanian: Jacksonville Beach – Not in Attendance

Alan Holt: USLA Southeast Region President

- Awards for the Banquet at the fall meeting (Gib and Outlaw/Medal of Valor).
- October joint meeting in the panhandle.

Tom Gillin: Flagler Beach –

- Currently working under an interim city manager
- Incoming city manager is from Fernandina Beach

Panhandle

Will Spivey: Panama City Beach VP Panhandle – Not in Attendance

Joe DAgostino: Destin Beach – Not in Attendance

Rich Huffnegale: Okaloosa County – Not in Attendance

David Vaughan: South Walton Fire District – Not in Attendance

Austin Turnbull: Navaree –

- Busy, hot, rip current simulator created (3x3 box with sandbars and a water pump) shows all parts of a rip current

Dave Greenwood: Pensacola – Not in Attendance

West Coast

Rick Hinkson: Sarasota County –

Patrick Bradford: Clearwater Beach – Not in Attendance

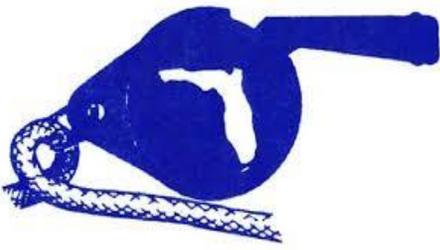
Joe Westerman: Manatee County – Not in Attendance

Andrea Moreira: Pinellas County –

- Pinellas is looking to cut funding for all lifeguards

DISPOSITION OF BILLS

No new items



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USLA Update

- Singles Row, female and male landline, paddle relay for points,
- Landline: one person can carry victim and does not need to hold buoy from shore. Victim does not race out. Finish in any lane.
- Increase in Iron, RSR, Surf race from 16 per heat to 24.
- Scoring: Open 1-16. Age group 1-5

New Business

Grant Ideas- (Swim Near A Lifeguard) Advertising

- Banner Plane (Bob Maler)
- Digital Sign Vessel reached out to Jo Wags
- Water Taxis
- Full educational conference (Gerry Falconer)
- PSA on airline flights (Jim McCrady)
- Handouts and goodie bags for kids at airports

Billboard Update –

See President's report

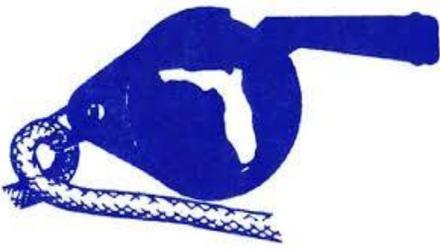
Banquet Update-

Potentially moving it to BPOTY locations. On the agenda for August meeting. There will be voting.

Need submit Discuss Disposition of Goals 2023 (if time allows)

~~FBPCA Coins are still available to be purchased~~

Here is a DRAFT Schedule for 2023 – If anyone would like to host a meeting let us know.



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2023 Meeting Schedule	
January 13th, 2023	Miami-Dade County - Haulover
February 7 th @11-2	Martin County
March 24th 11-1	Zoom
April 21st 11-2	Manatee County
May 5 ^h and 6 th @1-4pm	Orlando --- 2022 Lifesaving Awards Banquet & Educational Conference
June 14 th 11-2	Ft. Lauderdale
July 18 th 2-4	Delray Beach
August 22 nd 11-2	Zoom
September 13th	St. Johns County
October 13th 11-2	FBPCA 9-12 & USLA Ser 12:30-5 combined. Panama Beach
November 15 th 11-2	Marsh Landing
December 8 th 11-2**	Deerfield Beach

Meeting Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Matthew Sparling, seconded by A.J. Miller.
Meeting adjourned at 1536.

Next meeting

August 22, 2023, 11am-2pm

Zoom <https://zoom.us/j/99792662115?pwd=NDA2YWV0dzOGZ3UWFCZlExZz09>