

NNOA Miami Chapter Minutes

24 Feb 09

Attendees

CAPT Balboni
LCDR Champagne
LCDR Carmichael
LT Harrell
LTJG Schneider
LTJG Lemmon

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I. INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS AND OFFICERS:

President: LCDR Champagne
Vice President: LCDR Pride Sanders
Treasurer: LT Bryan Harrell
Secretary: LTJG Stacey Lemmon
Chaplain: CDR Goodwin

II. ADMINISTRATIVE:

- National NNOA website is where the business/information on the Miami chapter will be conducted. Visit www.nnoa.org – Chapter Miami.
- Reminder to all members please pay your national annual dues. To be considered a member in good standing this requirement must be satisfied and is separate from local chapter dues. Visit www.nnoa.org to register on line. The NNOA calendar year runs from 1 July to June30.
- Currently our Chapter has \$1040.00.
- Our Prayer Breakfast which was held 13 February 2009 in recognition of Black History Month was well received. Chaplain Goodwin delivered a very motivating and inspirational sermon. Chapter President is going to send MAST Academy cadets thank-you letters for there performance at the Black History month celebration breakfast.

IV. OLD Business:

- In Nov 2008 an informative OER presentation was done by LCDR Hulser at AIRSTA MIAMI. When you get a chance, please take a look at the information posted to Chapter Web page www.nnoa.org → [chapter links](#) → [Miami](#)

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:

CAPTAIN Balboni continued our professional development leadership series with open discussion on COMDT Competency “Leading Self”. Key points from the discussion are as follows:

Accountability:

- Be brave in the face of challenges even when no one stands behind you.
- It can be lonely being right sometimes but you have to stand up when it matters.

Followership:

- Be reliable and honor commitments.
- Be helpful
- Do not believe you are smarter than your boss.
- Listen

Self Awareness and Learning:

- Do things outside of work! Its good to get outside the CG box!
- Look for ways to make yourself Three-Dimesional
- Don't take yourself to seriously
- Pursue happiness!

Aligning Values:

- Be fair
- Walk the walk and talk the talk

Health and Well-Being:

- Keep your life simple to reduce risk
- Find a cheerleader. Everybody needs support.

Personal Conduct:

- Be seen! Raise your visibility!
- Let people know who you are
- Work hard.
- Pick battles carefully and maintain thick skin.
- Look for win-win situations

Technical Proficiency:

- Network!!!
- Establish reputation as a good person.
- Use manuals/directives/Pubs

Take Home message: When you're done what do you have left?

- At our next meeting on March 24th from 1130-1300 CDR Al Young will be continuing our leadership series by discussing the COMDT's leadership competency “Leading Performance and Change”.

V. NEW BUSINESS

- **Students of All Races (SOARs)** will be in the Miami area on **Friday, March 6, 2009** from 0900 – 1600. Coast Guard Academy diversity staff will be in the area and are looking for assistance to sit on panels and/or talk to local high school students. These students will come from a number of high schools in the area and for some; this is the first experience with the Coast Guard. If you are interested in supporting or assisting, please contact LT Laseanta Stafford at (860) 701-6815 or laseanta.E.stafford@uscg.mil .

- **Leadership Social** will be held in the Gator Den on **April 9th from 1700-2000**. This is a great opportunity for members to socialize with senior military officers and discuss career paths, leadership roadblocks, share personal experiences and swap war stories in a relaxed social atmosphere. Attendees will have a chance to network with all the other officers in the area!

- We are looking for volunteers to help plan and participate in the three week **MAST Academy Summer program** in July. If you are interested please contact LTJG Stacey Lemmon at 305-535-8760.

- One of our chapter goals is to have NNOA members volunteer time at the MAST Academy once a week. Mast Academy has the Coast Guard's only junior ROTC program and as hectic as our individual schedules may be, I think it is critically important to support the support students of MAST and is in keeping with our NNOA mission statement. To schedule a visit to MAST Academy, please contact any of the chapter officer or call Chief Lasseter (MAST Academy) directly at (305) 992 – 7277. The best days to participate are Thursdays and Fridays for PT!

VI. NEXT MEETING:

- 24 March 2009 @ AIRSTA Miami 1130 – 1300