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B.O.E. Minutes

09:10 Called to order. Hayes Booksh, Chris Blache, Robert Bean Sr., and Jason Bosley present.

09:15 First order of business is the review of incident of M/V Floriana on 2/18/16. Hayes Booksh was investigating officer. Report from Hayes Booksh and statement from pilot, Michael Miller, submitted and discussed.

Findings of fact: It is the opinion of the investigating officer that the engine failure and weather conditions were the primary factors for the grounding.

Conclusion: It is the opinion of the investigator that Pilot Miller acted prudently at all times while performing his duties. The investigator recommends that no action be taken against Pilot Miller. (Passed 2-0)

09:25 Review of the incident of M/T Marilee on 3/16/16. Robert Bean Sr. was investigating officer. Report from Robert Bean Sr. and statement from the pilot, Rhett Leger were submitted.

Findings of fact: Due to 14 ft river stage and poor channel conditions along with meeting a very large container ship the grounding occurred.

Conclusion: Due to river stage and channel conditions, along with meeting a large container ship that pulled considerable amount of water that decreased the water level briefly causing the vessel to ground. The pilot did a very good job of recovering without the assist of tugs. Recommend no action be taken against Pilot Leger. (Passed 2-0)

09:35 Discussion of letters to association from the B.O.E.

Notifications to ABP, Bar Pilot Assistance Program, Apprentice compliance with program before examination, Letter to Coast Guard concerning our random drug testing

10:00 Mr. William Dutel joined the meeting. Discussed the B.O.E. letter to the Coast Guard certifying pilots participate in our drug testing program. Discussed the letter to ABP confirming a pilot has a commission. Discussed the B.O.E. roll in approving the apprenticeship program. Discussed an evaluation and documentation system for cub pilots. Discussion of ABP seminar. Discussion of continuing education.

11:20 Proposal on continuing education. Motion by Robert Bean Sr. 64 hour requirement in a 5 year cycle with no more than 40 hours in a year during the 5 year period. You must attend a class in 3 out of the 5 years. You can only have at maximum a 2 year absence of CE. This would be implemented on January 1, 2017.

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The B.O.E will from time to time provide a list of categories of CE classes that are suggested.

(Motion passed 3-0)

11:55 Motion by Hayes Booksh to allow extra hours from 2016 to carry over in 2017.

(Motion passed 3-0)

12:00 Discussed developing a seminar for ABP.

12:10 Reviewed Dr. Roy's medical report on Captain Ryan Buras.

12:30 Motion to adjourn by Hayes Booksh.

(Motion passed 3-0)

