



**Meeting Agenda
Board of River Port Pilot Commissioners
May 11, 2026**

1. Meeting called to order at 9:00 am
2. In Attendance: Capt. Shannon Marks, Capt. Blaine Donner, Capt. Jace Eschete, Michael Delesdernier (Executive Director) and Mary Delesdernier (Executive Staff)
3. Meeting Minutes from April 1, 2026, were approved with no changes.
4. No Public Comments
5. Apprentice Training
 - Reviewed June Training Agenda for June 3, 2026, 9am.
 - Assigned trip quotas – 14 Route trips / 24 harbor trips. No assigned harbor weeks for June.
 - Discuss progress of apprentices
 - Reviewed evaluation counts. Seven apprentices have the needed 70 evaluations and 1 is only one short.
 - Information for seven of the apprentices will be sent to Boards and Commissions for commissioning on July 1, 2026. One apprentice will be commissioned at a later date.
6. Executive Session
 - Report on New Notices to Commissioners
 - 4/12/26 Unit 78 (**Jason Grubs**) – Carnival Liberty – Steering Failure - Reviewed and confirmed Machinery Failure
 - 4/19/26 Unit 181 (**Aaron Sidora**) - Methane Julia Louise – Machinery Failure - Reviewed and confirmed Machinery Failure
 - 4/19/26 Unit 110 (**Jake Wilkinson**) – Methane Julia Louise – Machinery Failure - Reviewed and confirmed Machinery Failure
 - 4/22/26 Unit 82 (**Chad Gonzales**) and Unit 101 (**Christopher Hoo**) – APL California – Complaint (Alleged Damage) – Determined further investigation is needed. Executive Director will draft a Findings and Conclusions for the Commission June Meeting.
 - 4/24/26 Unit (**Christopher Phillips**) – Julie F – Machinery Failure - Reviewed and confirmed Machinery Failure
 - 5/4/26 Unit 152 (**Joe Schlotterer**) – Mykonos Sea – Machinery Failure - Reviewed and confirmed Machinery Failure

- 5/5/26 Unit 177 (**Stephen Enright**) – Flag Fila – Grounding (tugs required)/Machinery Failure - Reviewed and confirmed Machinery Failure
 - No Current Investigations to report on
 - Report on Pilot Compliance
 - Report given on Continuing Education
 - Report given on Licenses and Physicals.
 - No year-old Notices to Commissioners to report
7. Executive Director Report – Executive Director gave report on VTS Training
8. Update on BRPPC System given
9. Committee Reports
- Safe Navigation – Update given by Capt. Donner
 - Professional Development – Discussed the Two Man Training Seminar and possibility of updating the Two Man Protocol.
10. Development of VTS and MRTIS training curriculum – Moved to a future agenda
11. Nathan Ankerson came to office to discuss incident on 4/22/36.
12. New Business - Discussed need for consistency in our language regarding policies, protocols, rules, regulations, etc.
13. Meeting Adjourned at 4:55pm. Next Commission Meeting will be June 10.