1. Quorum Call

Mr. Paul Martin, USCG, called the meeting to order at 1011

CAPT Lynn Korwatch, Marine Exchange, confirmed that a quorum was present.

2. Approval of the Minutes - CAPT Korwatch

There were no corrections to the minutes of the meeting of October 18, 2011. A motion to accept the minutes as written was made and seconded. It passed without discussion or dissent.

3. Comments by the Chair - CAPT Cynthia L. Stowe

With the warm weather the USCG was kept busy by an early start to the boating season.

Theft of metal from the tug Tiger was suspected to be the cause of her sinking. Such theft is a security issue that is being followed closely by the USCG and partners.

The shutdowns of the Port of Oakland by the Occupy movement would be an item of interest to the AMSC going forward. The issue would be assigned to the agenda of the appropriate work groups.

Ms. Catherine Hooper was sworn to service on the AMSC to represent the San Francisco Fleet Week Association.

4. Member Agency/Industry Reports

Chief Mark Ayers, ChevronTexaco: They were working with the United Steel Workers Union and local law enforcement agencies to make sure that any job actions resulting from labor negotiations would go smoothly. Their PSG projects were moving along. Chief Ayers thanked the Marine Exchange for its help. They continued to participate in monthly industry-sponsored meetings to discuss scrap metal theft.

CAPT Pete Bonebakker, ConocoPhillips: There was nothing to report.

CAPT Paul Londynsky, Matson Navigation: Matson was to be spun off from its owner, Alexander & Baldwin. No changes of interest to the AMSC were expected. They were at work on the required five year evaluation and revision of vessel security plans. China MSA had released a list of approved OSRO’s. Matson was working to get contracts in place.

Mr. Ed Hughlett, Ports America: They were working on site-specific security drills.

Mr. Chris Backwith, State Lands Commission: There was nothing to report.

CAPT Bruce Clark, California Maritime Academy: They were scheduled to begin the pilot process for an anti-piracy/anti-terrorism course in late January. The new course will be part of their continuing education series. They were seeking input from vessel masters, and all were welcome to attend. They
were looking forward to the Maritime Leadership Symposium scheduled for February. CMA would be a sponsor for the twelfth year in a row.

**Ms. Catherine Hooper**, San Francisco Fleet Week Association: The Association was looking for berths along the southern San Francisco waterfront due to America’s Cup activities. There would be three around-the-world cruise ships visiting San Francisco in January, February, and March, the new Cunard liner, *Queen Elizabeth*, was scheduled to make her maiden call in February. Such calls always generated a lot of public interest.

**Mr. Reginald I. Manning**, CBP: Mr. Thomas S. Winkowski had been named Acting Deputy Commissioner, CBP. Mr. Richard Vigna had retired from the local office, and his temporary replacement was Mr. David Morrell. CBP looked forward to being part of ongoing discussions about the Occupy movement.

**Mr. Jim Adams**, TSA: Mr. Ed Gomez has retired. They were in the final stages of integrating into the USCG IOC.

**CAPT Korwatch**, Marine Exchange: There was nothing to report outside of the fiduciary agent report scheduled for later in the meeting.

**Mr. Hank Ryan**, MARAD: they have sponsored a conference with China in San Jose. **Mr. John Hummer** would report on the M-580 Marine Highway Project during public comment.

**Mr. Andrew Myers**, FBI: There was nothing to report.

**Ms Renee Domingo**, Oakland OES: They were hoping that things would quiet down with the Occupy movement in the new year. She thanked assisting law enforcement agencies for their help. They were closing out PSG projects. She thanked the Marine Exchange for their support.

**Chief George Lerner**, Port of Stockton: The Maritime Highway project was moving along. Two new cranes were being installed. They were completing their PSG projects.

**Ms Sidonie Sansome**, Port of San Francisco: The Occupy movement in San Francisco had had minimal impact on the Port, and none in secure areas. New Years had gone well. Their new sobering centers had worked well to reduce problems. She recommended them as a best practice worth considering. URS had won the contract for their UASI grant to cover first responder requirements and gaps.

**Mr. Mike O’Brien**, Port of Oakland: There had been six to ten thousand participants in the Occupy action that had closed the Port for two shifts. One to two thousand had participated in the action that closed up to three shifts in a partial shutdown on December 12. Prior to the actions they had coordinated with law enforcement and port partners. There were no security breaches, no injuries, and no property damage. The Oakland EOC had made use of seventy new security cameras and had patched the USCG IOC into the feed from the cameras. They are working to improve preparedness so that future actions did not scare labor away. They are in ongoing meetings with law enforcement agencies. They were making great progress on their PSG projects. They are very excited about geo-spatial mapping. CAPT Stowe complemented the Port for getting the cameras in place before the protests and thanked O’Brien for access to the live feed. She said it had been a great help to them.

**Mr. Dave Sullivan**, City of San Francisco OES: There was nothing to report.
SGT Tony Lumb, Contra Costa County Sheriff’s Department: Funding for their derelict vessel recovery program had been cut by two thirds. CalRecycle had assisted their last vessel recovery. Their PSG project for 2010–2011 were in the works.

Ms Margot Brown, National Boating Federation: Susan “Charlie” Arms had been named Boating Educator of the Year by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators. Ms Arms teaches at CMA. She is the daughter of the late Dr. Philip B. Arms Jr., who was a past president of the National Boating Federation and worked on the development of the Simulation Center at CMA.

5. Work Group Reports

a. PRND Subcommittee Report – Officer Mark Laherty

They were making the final edits on their concept of operations document. The California Highway Patrol would soon have an asset operational. A training exercise was scheduled for January 13, 2012.

b. Port Recovery/Salvage Subcommittee – Mr. Bob Butchart

The Stockton Fire Department had joined their fire fighting work group and had already participated in a tabletop exercise. They were scheduled to meet January 13 to discuss their vigilance program and training.

The Port Recovery Unit had been partially stood up during the Occupy events at the Port of Oakland. They were going over lessons learned.

c. PSGP Equipment Standards Subcommittee – CAPT Bruce Clark

They had begun to coordinate with UASI colleagues on areas of common concern. The work group’s issues don’t end at the water’s edge nor are they completely unique. Their first collaboration would be with their inter–operable communications group to identify synergies.

d. Neptune Coalition Brief – LCDR Matt Rudick

They were discussing the Occupy events previously discussed by others. There had been good coordination among members preparing for possible waterside action. They were working on an MOU for joint operations with the Border Enforcement Team.

General Reports

a. Fleet Week Brief – Ms Catherine Hooper

A major focus of the newly revived Fleet Week Association is to showcase military capability to respond to disasters. The focus of the next Fleet Week event will be inter–operations in a medical surge. The efficacy of the Association’s new mission was demonstrated when their expertise of its Humanitarian Assistance/Disaster Response program had been called upon in response to the earthquake at Van, Turkey.
b. MSRAM Update and Reminder – Mr. Greg Lingle

The annual validation review has begun with outreach to be completed by February 1, 2012. Review was scheduled for the end of March, and final submission for June 8, 2012. At the request of the Neptune Coalition marine law enforcement resources had been added to the Early Interdiction Module of MSRAM. During the outreach port stakeholders will be invited to participate in the Industry Risk Analysis Model community within the Homeport web portal. The Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2010 directed DHS to make unclassified MSRAM data available to MITSA regulated entities. The data is to be managed by industry in the separate Homeport database and participation is strictly voluntary.

c. FA Report – CAPT Lynn Korwatch

IFEMA representatives were at the Marine Exchange to monitor compliance with the PSG process. Project submissions were separately evaluated by three criteria: narrative, budget, and environmental/historical impact. To date, all narratives had been approved, there had been a few budgetary questions, while the environmental/historical criteria had turned up the most questions locally, but also nationwide. Booz Allen Hamilton is the contractor hired by FEMA to do the environmental/historical reviews. They evaluate the projects, then any questions they have are referred to the Marine Exchange, who in turn comes back to the applicant. The criteria sometimes seems like a moving target and the Marine Exchange has no clear standard that it can pass along. The good news is that nothing has been denied so far. A reminder to all that 2007 PSG projects must be completed by June 30, 2012 and 2008 projects by June 30, 2013. Industry audits will be scheduled. Halcrow was reviewing the Risk Mitigation and Business Resumption plan under a PSG. As described by CAPT Clark, there is a great deal of interest in building a working relationship with UASI counterparts. The Marine Exchange is working to create a joint UASI/PSGP seminar around June 6, 2012 to be held at Pier 35.

CAPT Stowe thanked the Marine Exchange for its efforts. She asked if there were any projects from 2007 that were in jeopardy. CAPT Korwatch said that she had not heard of any problems. CAPT Stowe asked how many projects were completed from that round. CAPT Korwatch said that two had closed out and the remaining twenty–one were in the process of spending money. CAPT Korwatch said that the 2007 money had not been released until February 2011, and tha many recipients had had to revise their equipment purchase plans because of changes in the market place since the original proposals were filed.

Mr. O’Brien asked whetherthe Booz Allen Hamilton reviewers were locally based. CAPT Korwatch said that if they had questions they relied on a locally based FEMA staffer to conduct site reviews. Mr. O’Brien asked whether the reviewer had been helpful. CAPT Korwatch said that the reviewer had been agreeable after visiting the sites that were questioned. She said that the pictures and descriptions couldn’t always give a complete sense of what was proposed.

7. Public Comment

Mr. John Hummer, MARAD, said that completion was in sight for the local MN–580 Marine Highway project funded by a thirty million dollar TIGER grant. The project involved the ports of Oakland, Stockton, and West Sacramento. In addition to new mobile container cranes to increase trans–loading capacity, the Port of Oakland would receive cold–ironing equipment. The project was awaiting the delivery of barges before it could begin.

Mr. Terry Joslin, BlueWater Associates, said that they had been hired by the Port of Richmond to create domain awareness exercises under a 2008 PSG. Phase one was scheduled for December 2012
would be facility specific to exercise threat assessment and communications. The IOC and Homeport were to participate, with Homeport to be tested as a central communications tool. Phase two would exercise domain awareness response coordination, and phase three would exercise command and control.

**Mr. Steve Larson.** Port of Stockton, asked whether there was any news on a PSGP 2012 round. **CAPT Korwatch** said there was no information. She said that if there was another grant round it was likely to proceed on the same lines as the 2011 round. So those interested in applying were advised to be prepared for a quick turn around and a match requirement.

8. **Old Business**

**Mr. Martin** reminded everyone that a proposal to change the scheduled October meeting of the AMSC would be considered at the present meeting. The proposal was to permanently reschedule the October meeting to the third Tuesday in October so that there would be no overlap with Fleet Week activities. Since there was no discussion, Mr. Martin called for a motion to reschedule the October meeting to the third Tuesday of the month. A motion was made and seconded. It passed by acclamation.

**Mr. Martin** said that a Port Evacuation Work Group had been set up to review the existing evacuation plan. **Mr. O’Brien** was the chair and volunteers were being sought to assist him.

9. **New Business**

**CAPT Korwatch** said that there would be a NOAA briefing at the next meeting of the HSC on Japanese tsunami debris headed towards the west coast.

**CAPT Clark** said that Golden Gate Ferry had been successful in getting funding for a ferry exercise and that CMA had been hired to organize it. The plan for Bay Ferry III is to tie the exercise into a hypothetical major maritime event (like the planned America’s Cup events) and would have a port evacuation component. The first planning conference was scheduled for February. **CAPT Stowe** said that she saw a lot of opportunity in such an exercise and asked when it was scheduled to be held. **CAPT Clark** said that it was scheduled for July 2012. **Ms Sansome** asked whether WETA would be involved. **CAPT Clark** said that they, and all of the other ferry companies, had been invited to participate.

10. **Next Meeting**

**Mr. Martin** said that the next meeting of the AMSC was scheduled for April 10, 2012 at the Pier 35 venue.

12. **Adjournment**

**Mr. Martin** adjourned the meeting at 1126.