

Air, Land, NC Detachment 1257, Marine Corps League P. O. Box 1081, Wake Forest, NC 27588-1081

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Minutes of the Air, Land, NC Detachment 1257 Monthly Meeting: 11Feb2020

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

At 1900 hours the Meeting was called to order by Commandant Glenn and the opening ceremony was held.

A. ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS BY ADJUTANT

All present or accounted for:

Commandant Jerry Glenn – present

Sr. Vice Commandant Terry Shackleton – present

Jr. Vice Commandant Bill Mosena – present

Judge Advocate Jorge Armhold – present

Paymaster Ed Whalen – present

Adjutant Jack Kemeny – present

Chaplain Tammy Holt – present

Sgt. at Arms Ken Jenkins – present

Service Officer Bill Brown - present

Junior Past Commandant Bill Brown - present

B. ATTENDANCE

Approximately 20 members and three guests; John Lynch, Recon Marine, Bill Frank, radio operator, and Robert Bingham, combat photographer.

C. NEW MEMBERS

Arlene Kemeny was welcomed and sworn in as an Associate Member.

D. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of last month's meeting have not yet been published to the website. Those minutes have been emailed to the membership and approved by voice vote at this meeting.

E. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Correspondence received via email and forwarded to pertinent staff and members.

F. PAYMASTER'S REPORT

Paymaster provided a financial report to the Board of Trustees and reported that the Detachment's finance's are in good condition. The details will no longer be posted to the minutes, since these minutes are now public information.

G. SICK & DISTRESSED

- 1. Chaplain Holt discussed the list of sick and infirm. They include Angelo DeBenedictis wearing a heart monitor, Joe Mitchell with cracked ribs and other injuries from a fall, Pete Lambert awaiting a kidney, and Joe Clap continues with cancer treatment. A potential new member, William Council, is undergoing cancer treatment at the Atlanta VA hospital. Please keep everyone in your thoughts and prayers and call and visit to keep everyone's spirits up.
- 2. Bill Brown talked to Tom and Mary Perrone and was notified that Tom had fallen and was temporarily in a rehab facility and returned home and is doing OK.

H. REPORT OF OFFICERS

- 1. Commandant Glenn reviewed the various committees activities:
 - a. **Historian Committee** (new), Record of past Officers, certain correspondence, events Bob Peters

Bob has been tasked with selecting certain items for display on our wall in the Legion Hall. He and Jack Kemeny will lay out the wall display for the league. He is looking for additional historical information regarding past members and officers. Jack Kemeny will work with Bob on this.

b. **Gun Raffle Committee** - Ed Whalen

Ed will continue to head up the committee that provides selection and purchase of raffle weapons, sets up the display for ticket sales at gun shows, obtains tickets for sale, develops the gun show assignments, and deals with raffle winners. He will be on vacation during our next gun show in May and is tasking volunteers with setting up the show, taking responsibility for the guns, tickets and money and breaking down the display after the show.

c. Awards Committee - Bill Brown

Bill will head the committee determining medals and ribbons to be awarded to elected and appointed officers, determining Marine of the Year and Woman of the Year awards, including production of the included plaques, determining meritorious citations to show appreciation for support and achievement within the Detachment.

- Grant Committee- OPEN?
- Scholarship Programs
- Toys for Tots (Danny Richards)
- Young Marines (contact Ryan Siemer)
- Veteran Services Volunteering
- Marines Helping Marines

d. Color Guard Committee - Bill Brown

Bill will schedule events, assign member to needed activities, and maintain color guard equipment and procedures.

e. **Social/Entertainment** Committee – Arlene Kemeny will head this committee, taking over from Ed Whalen. Current social events include: summer picnic with spouses, annual Birthday Ball Dinner with spouses, the Christmas Pot Luck Dinner with spouses and maybe a fall season chili cook-off.

- 2. Commandant Glenn invited everyone to go see the new Senior Center next door now that it is open for business. It has new functions and services and is more than just a card playing room.
- 3. Wake Forest Police is hosting "Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events" on Tuesday, Feb. 18, 2020, 6:30-8:30pm, Renaissance Centre, must register, https://www.wakeforestnc.gov/police/comunity-outreach.
- Bill Brown is compiling a list of officers and members who rate certain MCL medals and ribbons for their service and will publish that in the near future.
- 5. Ed Whalen discussed the next gun show on 2/3May2020. He will be traveling on vacation those dates and has asked Jack Kemeny to set up the table on 1May. Jack will need 1 or 2 members to help with the setup and will look for volunteers at the March/April meetings. Ed is also looking for additional volunteers to work the show and help break down the display on Sunday afternoon. He noted about 1000 tickets sold so far.

I. OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Commandant Glenn discussed the upcoming MCL and Department conferences and conventions to be held in 2020.
- 2. P/M Whalen reminded the membership to sign in on the circulating sheet and include any volunteer hours for the month past.
- 3. The next flag raising will be in April 2020. We should have a flag raising for George Cattalona in October if his daughter is able to attend. We may have another Marine flag raising in 2020, TBD. Bingo at the VA Hospital will continue, but Pete Lambert will be the only attendee due to the lock down situation in the ward.

J. NEW BUSINESS

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- 1. Bill Brown and Ken Jenkins will be attending the change of command ceremony at the Wounded Warrior Battalion East on 12Feb2020.
- 2. Doug Doster has the Detachment web site, airlandnc.org, up and running. It needs extensive updating to complete the content. He is also maintaining the Detachment Facebook page. He also noted that all of the service organizations activities are maintained on the American Legion calendar.

Jim Vasilko won the 50/50 raffle. John Phipps won the attendance raffle. He was not in attendance so the money rolls to next month.

Commandant Glenn closed the meeting at approximately 1945 hours and the closing ceremony was held.

NEXT DETACHMENT MEETING: 10Mar2020 at 1900 at the Legion Hall.

Respectfully Submitted, Jack Kemeny Adjutant