



Air, Land, NC Detachment 1257, Marine Corps League
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**Minutes of the Air, Land, NC Detachment 1257
Monthly Meeting: 10Mar2020**

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 Mosenia – present
Judge Advocate Jorge Armhold – excused
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 17 members and three guests; John Lynch, Recon Marine, Bill Frank, radio operator, and Robert Ringham, combat photographer.

C. NEW MEMBERS

John Lynch and Bob Ringham were approved as new Members, to be sworn in at the next meeting. Bill Frank also attended as a potential new 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. A Thank You note was received from Deb Bonner for our help at Tim Bonner’s funeral and read by the Adjutant. We received an email regarding the DoVA SVC Joe Hoadley whose house burned down. The email noted a GoFundMe page had been set up to help him recover. The Detachment is not going to donate, but the membership is encouraged to do so.

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 being medically evaluated for heart issues, Pete Lambert awaiting a kidney, and the death of Tim Bonner and the impact on Deb Bonner. 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. The funeral for Sgt. Tim Bonner was held in Wendell on 24Feb2020. A number of Detachment members were in attendance and Jerry Glenn and Tammy Holt presented the Order for Religious Funeral Services at the Strickland Funeral Home. The Marine Corps provided escorts for the flag and a bugler.
3. Tom and Mary Perone were able to attend the meeting with the help of Deb Bonner. They were welcomed by all. Mary spends her time crocheting coasters and brought enough to give a few to everyone attending.

H. REPORT OF OFFICERS

1. Bill Brown – Jr. Past Commandant
Bill is waiting for confirmation of William Duke and Eric Buckhardt as Eagle Scouts and timing of their award ceremonies in March or April, when we will provide confirmation and acknowledgement of their awards. Bill noted that MCL covers are now available at Natl. Ship Stores and can be ordered with appropriate lettering.
2. Commandant Glenn reviewed the various committees activities:
 - a. **Historian Committee**, Record of past Officers, certain correspondence, events - Bob Peters is collecting available information for past officers, meetings and photos. 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.
 - b. **Gun Raffle Committee** - Ed Whalen 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 may be on vacation during our next possible gun show in May (depending on covid-19 quarantine) 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 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. 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.

- Grant Committee
- 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. **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.

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 on 6Apr2020 (since cancelled). We will have a flag raising for George Cattalona in October and may need a speaker if his daughter is unable to attend. We will have another Marine (TBD) flag raising in Sep2020, Bingo at the VA Hospital will continue with full attendance, but has been cancelled due to covid-19.

J. NEW BUSINESS

1. Commandant Glenn had invited everyone to go see the new Senior Center next door now that it was to be open for business. There was to be an Open House, but that has been cancelled due to covid-19. The Center is now closed until further notice.
2. Wake Forest Police is presenting "Civilian Response to Active Shooter Events" and we will try to bring them in for a presentation at a future meeting.
3. DoNC Commandant Rick Thomason was in attendance and spoke about the audits of Detachments' bylaws to be in compliance with Natl bylaws. 1257 is in compliance. He also stressed the uniform regs for the MCL and will require all uniforms to be in compliance with the regs. He discussed the various Dept and Natl meetings in the near future and asked us all to consider attending.

Arlene Kemeny won the 50/50 raffle. Tammy Holt won the attendance raffle.

Commandant Glenn closed the meeting at approximately 1950 hours and the closing ceremony was held.

NEXT DETACHMENT MEETING: 14Apr2020 at 1900 at the Legion Hall.
(Meeting has subsequently cancelled due to covid-19.)

Respectfully Submitted,
Jack Kemeny
Adjutant