



Air, Land, NC Detachment 1257, Marine Corps League  
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**Minutes of the Air, Land, NC Detachment 1257  
Monthly Meeting: 9Apr2019**

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

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

**A. ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS BY ADJUTANT**

All present or accounted for:  
Commandant William Brown – present  
Sr. Vice Commandant Jerry Glenn – present  
Jr. Vice Commandant Ray O’Neill – excused  
Judge Advocate Jorge Armhold – present  
Paymaster Ed Whalen – present  
Adjutant Jack Kemeny – present  
Chaplain Tammy Holt – excused  
Sgt. at Arms Ken Jenkins – present  
Service Officer Terry Shackelton – present  
Junior Past Commandant - absent

**B. ATTENDANCE**

Approximately 17 members and 2 guests, Jeff Jones, Commandant of DoNC, and Rick Thompson, SVC of DoNC.

**C. NEW MEMBERS**

None.

**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.

**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 on the website. In addition, P/M Whalen noted that we received a

donation of \$500.00 from Randy Bright and we made our donation to the Miracle League of Franklin County. Our next gun show is on 4-5May2019 and will need volunteers to staff the table.

#### **G. SICK & DISTRESSED**

We noted that the list of sick and infirm include Pete Lambert awaiting a kidney, Tammy Holt recovering from a partial hip replacement, Velinda Moore with health problems, and Joe Claps receiving cancer treatment at the Durham VA Hospital. Please keep everyone in your thoughts and prayers and call and visit to keep everyone's spirits up.

#### **H. REPORT OF OFFICERS**

1. SVC Glenn noted that there is a program on "How to Avoid Scams" on 30Apr2019, 0830-1200 at the Renaissance Center. Registration is required by 23Apr2019. Our Detachment will provide a flag raising ceremony.
2. Commandant Brown highlighted a fundraising discussion with JVC O'Neill prior to our meetings. We are looking at the possibility of sponsoring a mud run. There has been one in Oxford to be run on 13Apr2019, now discontinued in future years, as well as one in Youngsville in May. These venues may be available to us and we will explore further.
3. SO Shackleton noted the USO at RDU has requested that we donate a pallet of water again this quarter at a cost of \$123.00. The membership approved this expenditure.

#### **I. OLD BUSINESS**

1. Pete Lambert noted the next Town flag raising will be on 6May2019 for a WWII Marine vet. UOTD will be undress (short sleeve white shirt, black trousers if you have them, minimum MCL cover). Since this is a Marine honoree, all members are encouraged to attend regardless of uniform available.
2. Bingo at the VA Hospital has been retained at 1400 hours and will be on 1May2019.
3. The annual Purple Heart Banquet is scheduled for 3Aug2019 at 1730. Pete and other members of the PH Foundation have tickets available at \$20.00. Honorees and their families attend free.
4. The Vet booth at the Farmer's Market is underway and returns every Saturday through October. Pete occasionally finds a new potential member at these events and follow-up recruitment needs to be done with a phone call, not email.
5. Doug Doster discussed our developing website at AirLandNC.org and plans to have it mostly operational by the May meeting.

#### **J. NEW BUSINESS**

1. Commandant Brown attended the Department spring meeting in Burlington, NC, and felt it is worthwhile for all members to attend in the future. Matters important to the members are discussed and voted on. There is a precise agenda and the meetings move quickly, unlike past meetings. He also encouraged members to consider attending the National MCL Conventions, in Billing, MT this year and in Daytona Beach next year.

2. Commandant Brown noted again that the MCL online store will no longer carry red jackets. They can be purchased at J.C. Penny's online store and that information has been sent to the Detachment. In addition, John Dilday at Tarheel Detachment has a source for the jackets and that information has been sent to the Detachment.
3. Commandant Jones endorsed the attendance of members at the Department and National meetings. He spoke of the need to find new members, especially those just separating from active duty, whether from their first tour or retiring. Bringing in younger members means we must have activities and functions for them beyond just attending meetings – fund raising, OCR's, community support functions, rifle and pistol range time, USO support, Marine Recruiters support, scouting support, etc. The Detachment needs to have meaning beyond just fellowship to get Marines to volunteer their time. He would like to set up a fire team concept to have several members mentor the new members and bring them into the activities of the Detachment.
4. It was motioned that we purchase four MCL covers in popular sizes and have them available for new members. The membership approved this motion.
5. Commandant Jones described the Devil Dog subset of the MCL. The local Grawl draws members from 7 detachments. Membership is by invitation. In order to understand Devil Dog activities better, he invited everyone from the Detachment to attend the next Grawl to take place on 27Apr2019 at 0900 at his home at 11870 Lodge Rd., Middlesex, NC. Refreshments will be available and we can bring rifles and pistols to shoot at the range on the property. Those interested in attending should notify Commandant Brown in order to have an accurate count.
6. SVC Thompson introduced himself as running for Department Commandant for the coming year. He made a point to talking about the daily lottery calendars sold by the Department and the Dept. rifle raffle. These fund raisers can provide help to Dept. members after disasters like Hurricane Florence last year, so there is a need to support them.
7. Bob Peters announced the funeral for a Korea era Marine, Martin Dowd that will take place at 1100 hours on 12Apr2019. He encouraged members to attend the service at St. Katherine's of Siena Catholic Church and burial at the Wake Forest Cemetery.

Ken Jenkins won the 50/50 raffle. Jerry Dangler won the attendance raffle, but was not present, so the \$50.00 rolls over to next month's drawing.

**Commandant Brown** closed the meeting at approximately 2000 hours and the closing ceremony was held.

**NEXT DETACHMENT MEETING: 14May2019** at 1900 at the Legion Hall.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Jack Kemeny  
Adjutant

