



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

“Once a Marine, Always a Marine”

MINUTES: 09 SEPTEMBER 2008

OPENING CEREMONY: 1900 HOURS, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE LED BY SAA FLAHERTY, AND OPENING PRAYER BY CHP WHEELER.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: IN ADDITION TO THE OFFICERS, THERE WERE TEN (10) MEMBERS AND THREE (3) GUEST IN ATTENDANCE.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS: PRESENT- COM GOODROW, SVC GERALD, JVC O’LOUGHLIN, JA O’NEILL, JPC DANGLER, ADJ BYRD, PM WHALEN, CHP WHEELER AND SAA FLAHERTY. **EXCUSED/ABSENT –** NONE.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP: NONE RECEIVED.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: APPROVED AS WRITTEN.

CORRESPONDENCE: NONE.

REPORT OF PAYMASTER: PM WHALEN REPORTS A STANDING BALANCE OF \$1,814.96 AS OF 01 SEPTEMBER 2008.

SICK OR IN DISTRESS: JVC O’NEILL PASSED AROUND A CARD FOR EVERYONE TO SIGN FOR MEMBER RICHARD MAXEY WHO IS STRUGGLING WITH CANCER.

REPORT OF OFFICERS: NONE.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES: WAKE COUNTY VETERANS COUNCIL – SVC RAY GERALD AND GEORGE CATTELONA RECENTLY ATTENDED A MEETING OF THE WAKE COUNTY VETERANS COUNCIL. ALTHOUGH THEY WERE NOT ABLE TO GET ON THE DOCKET TO SPEAK, THEY DID LEARN THAT THE PRICE TO JOIN WAS \$25.00 PER YEAR.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: OXFORD HOT SAUCE CONTEST – FRANK KILDEA ASKED FOR VOLUNTEERS TO STAFF A TENT FOR THE EVENT ON THE 18TH, AT WHICH WE WILL SELL HOTDOGS AND RAFFLE TICKETS AND MAYBE A FEW OTHER ITEMS DONATED ON CONSIGNMENT BY A LOCAL STORE. FIVE MEMBERS HAVE SIGNED UP SO FAR. FRANK SAID THAT HE HAD PURCHASED A TENT FOR US TO USE FOR EVENTS LIKE THIS. ADDITIONALLY, FRANK SAID THAT HE CAN GET SHIRTS FROM MORTEX IN WENDELL AND WOULD LIKE TO HAVE SOMEONE EMBROIDER AN EAGLE, GLOBE AND ANCHOR ON THEM FOR US TO SELL AT FUTURE EVENTS. BOB PETERS WILL CHECK WITH ROBIN AT EMBROIDER ME (THE GUY THAT DOES OUR DETACHMENT SHIRTS) TO SEE WHAT HE WOULD CHARGE. COM GOODROW WILL ALSO CHECK AN EMBROIDERY PLACE NEAR WHERE HE WORKS. FRANK ALSO SAID THAT HE HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH FOOD LION, AND THEY HAVE OFFERED TO ALLOW US TO SET UP TABLES IN FRONT OF 18 OF THEIR STORES IF WE WANT. FURTHER, FRANK SAID THAT HE HAS AN OFFER FROM WILCO TO LET US SET UP IN FRONT OF THEIR STORES. FRANK WANTS US TO COME TO A DECISION ON HOW MUCH WE CAN HANDLE IN THE AREA OF FUNDRAISING AND GET BACK WITH HIM. COM GOODROW SUGGESTED THAT WE LET THE INCOMING STAFF DECIDE HOW MUCH THEY WANT TO COMMIT TO, SINCE MUCH OF THIS WOULD CARRY OVER INTO NEXT YEAR. BOB PETERS SUGGESTED THAT FRANK AND THE OFFICERS LAY OUT AN OUTLINE WITH FRANK’S IDEAS. JVC O’NEILL SUGGESTED THAT WE KEEP A RUNNING CALENDAR ON THE WEBSITE TO ASSIST IN PLANNING FOR THESE AND OTHER EVENTS. **PAY PAL ON WEBSITE-** WEB SGT. FRANK WILLIAMS SAID THAT HE HAS GOTTEN THE PAY PAL ACCOUNT SET UP AND HAS ADDED AN ICON TO THE WEBSITE WHEREBY SOMEONE CAN MAKE A DONATION TO THE DETACHMENT. FRANK SAID THAT HE WILL WORK FURTHER WITH THE IDEA TO POSSIBLY PUT TEMPORARY BUTTONS SO THAT DONATIONS COULD BE MADE AND EARMARKED FOR A SPECIFIC PURPOSE SUCH AS WHEN A MEMBER DIES, ETC. FRANK ALSO WANTS TO MAKE IT POSSIBLE TO RENEW MEMBERSHIP OR JOIN WITH PAY PAL.

NEW BUSINESS: BJ’S WHOLESALE – FRANK KILDEA SAID THAT HE HAD PICKED UP AN APPLICATION FOR BJ’S AND ASKED IF WE WERE INTERESTED IN JOINING. THE APPLICATION FEE IS \$20.00 FOR NON-PROFITS. EVERYONE THOUGHT IT WAS A GOOD IDEA, AND FRANK GAVE THE APPLICATION TO THE ADJUTANT TO FILL OUT AND MAIL BACK TO HIM SO THAT HE CAN TURN IT IN. WE AGREED THAT FRANK WOULD BE THE AUTHORIZED PURCHASER. **SVC RECOGNIZES FRANK KILDEA –** SVC GERALD RECOGNIZED THE TREMENDOUS EFFORTS OF FRANK KILDEA IN SECURING ITEMS FOR THE DETACHMENT AND PROVIDING FOOD ITEMS FOR THE DINNERS. **NOMINATING COMMITTEE –** COM GOODROW ANNOUNCED THAT HE HAS ASSIGNED GEORGE CATTELONA TO CHAIR THIS YEAR’S NOMINATING COMMITTEE. GEORGE WILL PRESENT THE SLATE OF NOMINEES THAT HE AND THE COMMITTEE HAVE CHOSEN AT THE NEXT DETACHMENT MEETING, AND THEN THE FLOOR WILL BE OPEN FOR ADDITIONAL NOMINATIONS FROM THE MEMBERS. COM GOODROW REMINDED EVERYONE THAT THE CANDIDATES MUST BE WILLING TO SERVE AND STATE AS SUCH, AND THEY MUST HAVE PROOF OF SERVICE ON FILE WITH THE ADJUTANT EVEN IF THEY TRANSFERRED FROM ANOTHER DETACHMENT. COM GOODROW SAID THAT THE ELECTION WOULD BE HELD AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING BY WRITTEN BALLOT. **MARINE OF THE YEAR / WOMAN OF THE YEAR –**

THE COMMANDANT SUGGESTED, AND ALL AGREED, THAT WE MOVE THE MOYWOY PROCESS TO JANUARY SO THAT THE AWARD WOULD ENCOMPASS AN ENTIRE YEAR. **EAGLE SCOUT AWARDS** – KEVIN RUMSEY SUGGESTED THAT WE FOCUS ON A LOCAL TROOP TO GET STARTED WITH OUR EAGLE SCOUT RECOGNITION PROGRAM. KEVIN SAID THAT OTHER DETACHMENTS USUALLY PRESENT A CERTIFICATE WITH A LETTER FROM THE DETACHMENT COMMANDANT, AND TAKE A PICTURE FOR THE PRESS. **JPC'S PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE NAT. BY-LAWS**– JPC DANGLER SAID THAT HE SUBMITTED A PROPOSED AMENDMENT CHANGE TO THE NATIONAL BYLAWS, WHICH WOULD ALLOW NAVY PERSONNEL WITH THE FMF DEVICE TO BECOME REGULAR MEMBERS OF THE LEAGUE INSTEAD OF ASSOCIATE MEMBERS AS IS THE CASE NOW. THAT PROPOSAL WAS NOT ACCEPTED. A MOTION TO CONTINUE SENDING A PROPOSAL FROM THE DETACHMENT EACH YEAR WAS PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. ADDITIONALLY, JERRY WILL CONTACT MCL NATIONAL TO TRY TO FIND OUT WHY THE PROPOSAL WAS NOT ACCEPTED. **CARE PACKAGES FOR THE TROOPS** – FRANK WILLIAMS SAID THAT A MEMBER OF THE DETACHMENT HAD RECENTLY ASKED WHY WE DIDN'T SEND ANY CARE PACKAGES TO THE TROOPS, SO FRANK SENT OUT AN E-MAIL TO THE MEMBERS ASKING IF THEY WOULD SUPPORT SUCH A PROGRAM. ONE OF OUR ACTIVE-DUTY MEMBERS, CAPTAIN SEAN LYNCH, ADVISED FRANK THAT THE TROOPS ARE SO WELL SUPPORTED AT THE CURRENT TIME THAT MOST OF THE PACKAGES ARE THROWN AWAY. CAPT. LYNCH SUGGESTED THAT WE DONATE CHRISTMAS GIFTS TO CHILDREN OF DEPLOYED MARINES INSTEAD. FRANK SAID THAT HE STILL LIKED THE IDEA OF THE CARE PACKAGES IF WE COULD IDENTIFY A SPECIFIC GROUP THAT WE KNEW WERE IN NEED. **DONATION IN THE NAME OF FALLEN MARINE** – A YOUNG MARINE BY THE NAME OF ZACK, AN ASSOCIATE OF CAPT. LYNCH, HAS DIED AND WILL BE INTERRED IN ARLINGTON. THE FAMILY HAS REQUESTED THAT IN LIEU OF FLOWERS, DONATIONS BE MADE TO TOYS FOR TOTS. THE DETACHMENT DECIDED TO DONATE \$50.00 AND ANY OTHER DONATIONS FROM INDIVIDUALS POSTED TO THE WEBSITE. FRANK WILLIAMS WILL PUBLISH THIS INFORMATION IN THE NEWSLETTER AND ON THE WEBSITE. **JIM SATTERWHITE** – COM GOODROW SAID THAT THE DETACHMENT WAS DONATING \$50.00 AND ALL OF THE MONEY THAT WAS DONATED TO US IN LIEU OF FLOWERS IN MEMORY OF MR. SATTERWHITE TO THE INJURED MARINE SEMPER FI FUND. JA O'NEILL WILL PAY A VISIT TO MRS. SATTERWHITE TO SEE IF SHE NEEDS ANYTHING OR IF THERE IS ANYTHING THAT WE COULD DO TO HELP HER OUT.

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE – DEPARTMENT OF NC JR. VICE COMMANDANT WALLACE DARLING SPOKE TO US ABOUT SOME OF THE THINGS HIS DETACHMENT IN ROCKY MOUNT IS DOING AND SOME THINGS THE DEPARTMENT IS DOING. **REV. KEITH CHURCH** – JA O'NEILL POINTED OUT TO EVERYONE WHAT A GREAT JOB OUR FORMER CHAPLAIN DID IN OFFICIATING AT THE FUNERAL SERVICE FOR MR. SATTERWHITE.

50-50: A TOTAL OF \$49.00 WAS COLLECTED FOR THE 50/50 RAFFLE, WITH BOB CUBILLAS HOLDING THE WINNING TICKET. BOB DONATED HIS WINNINGS TO THE DETACHMENT. COM GOODROW GAVE BOB A MCL CAP IN APPRECIATION OF HIS DONATION.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 2030 HOURS, WITH CLOSING PRAYER BY CHP WHEELER.

NEXT STAFF MEETING: 0800 HOURS, SATURDAY, 11 OCTOBER 2008 AT THE WAKE FOREST AMERICAN LEGION.

NEXT DETACHMENT MEETING: 1900 HOURS (1800 DINNER/SOCIAL HOUR) TUESDAY, 14 OCTOBER 2008 AT THE WAKE FOREST AMERICAN LEGION. PLEASE RSVP TO RAY GERALD, (919) 870-1433 – GERALD20@BELLSOUTH.NET IF YOU PLAN TO DINE WITH THE DETACHMENT.

SUBMITTED BY:

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