



Air, Land, NC Detachment 1257, Marine Corps League
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Minutes of the Air, Land, NC Detachment 1257 Monthly Meeting: 12Apr2011

The pre-meeting supper was provided by Domino's Pizza and Brandon Holliday. It was enjoyed by all.

Dougie Johnson from the Wake County Veterans Services Office presented a discussion on veterans benefits and the VA. It was informative and useful and gave us a point of contact for dealing with the VA.

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

- A. 1900 Meeting called to order by Commandant Ray O'Neill and the opening ceremony was held

2. ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS BY ADJUTANT

- A. All present or accounted for:
 - Commandant Ray O'Neill – present
 - Sr. Vice Commandant George Cattelona - present
 - Jr. Vice Commandant Brandon Holliday – present
 - Judge Advocate Jorge Armhold – present
 - Adjutant Jack Kemeny – present
 - Chaplain Tim Bonner – present
 - Sgt. At Arms Terry Shackelton - present

3. Attendance

- A. 22 members, 1 guest

4. NEW MEMBERS

- A. There were no new members or new members sworn in.
- B. We received one application for new membership from recently retired Master Gunnery Sergeant Ronald Fogarty.

5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

- A. Meeting minutes from March were available, but not posted to the website. Commandant O'Neill should have the new Web Sergeant initiate publishing information to the website again.

6. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- A. Correspondence received from the Pikes Peak Detachment in Colorado, indicating the transfer of Fred Leenerts to that Detachment.

7. PAYMASTER'S REPORT

- A. Paymaster reported that the Detachment's beginning Bank Balance was \$5815.03 with deposits of \$1047.00 and disbursements of \$3753.39, including \$3000.00 transferred to the savings account for an ending Bank Balance of \$2658.64, cash on hand of \$150.00 and savings of 3000.00 for total Detachment funds of 5808.64.

8. SICK & DISTRESSED

- A. Will Wheeler continues with chemotherapy and radiation treatments. He appreciates your prayers and contact to keep his spirits up.
- B. Pat Peters is receiving cochlear implants and will now need to listen to Bob when he gets chewed by his dogs. Bob is recovering nicely from his most recent incident.

Please keep all of our sick or injured in your thoughts and prayers. They really do help those who are in need.

9. REPORT OF OFFICERS

- A. Senior Vice Commandant Cattelona reported that he met with the Tar Heel and Clayton Detachments and they have agreed to join us for the 2011 Marine Corps Birthday Ball. Plans are finalized and we will use the same band, caterer and location. The price per person will be reduced to \$40.00, but we need at least 112 people to attend to break even. This is doable with three detachments joining together and if we all participate.
- B. Junior Vice Commandant Holliday discussed the gun raffle starting at the Ray Price Harley Dealership Open House on April 16. We have enough volunteers to staff the table throughout that show and the Dixie Gun Show on 30April and 1May. Brandon noted that he has speakers for the next meeting on prepaid legal services and gold and silver investing. He asked the membership for suggestions on speakers that we might be interested in.

10. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. No Standing Committee Reports were presented.

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. We will coordinate with the American Legion Post 187 for our participation in the Wake Forest "6 Sundays in May". We are looking for volunteers to help with the food services trailer at these events. A sheet was passed around to sign up.
- B. Commandant O'Neill noted that we had nominations for MOY and WOY; Ray O'Neill and Tim Bonner for MOY and Patricia Thor and Deb Bonner for WOY. Commandant O'Neill asked to be removed from consideration. A written vote was taken from members present and Tim and Deb Bonner were selected for the honors.
- C. Bob Peters has proposed that the donation funds that we collect should not only be used for the Wounded Warriors Support Fund at Camp Lejeune, but also to support individual Marines as necessary, specifically SSgt. Gross. This has been considered by the Executive Board and additional information is required to finalize a decision.
- D. Jorge Armhold mentioned that a local woman is running in the Marine Corps Marathon in Washington, D.C. this year and request that we support her with perhaps some running attire that mentions our Detachment. He asked for suggestions on what we can provide.

12. NEW BUSINESS

- A. We continue to look for a volunteer for the Detachment Historian and Chaplain positions.
- B. Disciplinary action has been initiated against one of our members and the letter defining the action requested will be forwarded to the North Carolina Department for adjudication this week.
- C. The Commandant requested that the Adjutant send out an email this week to Detachment members noting the Detachment address to be used for any correspondence.
- D. Ed Whalen has volunteered as the chef for the May meeting and Jack Kemeny has volunteered for the June meeting. We need additional volunteers for the next 2-3 months after that.

13. GOOD OF THE LEAGUE

- A. Terry Shackelton won the raffle.

14. COMMANDANT RAY O'NEILL closed the meeting at 2000 hours.

15. NEXT DETACHMENT MEETING: Wake Forest Legion Hall on 12 April 2011.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jack Kemeny
Adjutant