



Air, Land, NC Detachment 1257, Marine Corps League  
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**Minutes of the Air, Land, NC Detachment 1257  
Monthly Meeting: 13Oct2015**

LtCol (ret) Craig Stephens was the guest speaker, bringing us up to date on activities at the Wounded Warrior Battalion-East. He was also presented with a donation from the Detachment in the amount of \$750.00.

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

At 1940 hours the Meeting was called to order by Commandant Lambert and the opening ceremony was held.

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

All present or accounted for:

Commandant Pete Lambert – present  
Sr. Vice Commandant Jim Vasilko – present  
Jr. Vice Commandant Angelo DeBenedictis – 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 Ron Prokopowicz – present  
Junior Past Commandant Terry Shackelton –present

**1. Attendance**

A. Approximately 19 members and 1 guest, Craig Stephens.

**2. NEW MEMBERS**

A. None.

**3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

A. August meeting minutes have been posted to the website and accepted by the membership.

**4. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

A. None

**5. PAYMASTER’S REPORT**

- A. Paymaster reported that the Detachment's finance's are in excellent condition. The details will no longer be posted to the minutes, since these minutes are now public information on the website. If any members desire to see the details, please let the Adjutant know and the financials can be emailed.

## 6. SICK & DISTRESSED

- A. Ginger Minowicz's grandson, Zach, is at the top of his transplant list. Ami DePierro's father continues to be in serious condition. Bob Peters' wife is awaiting a stent. Pete Lambert is awaiting test results that will put him on the kidney transplant list. Ray Gerald is still recovering from back surgery. Jim Miller's daughter has a serious medical condition.

Please keep all of our sick or injured in your thoughts and prayers. Prayers really do help those who are in need. A call once in a while helps as well.

## 7. REPORT OF OFFICERS

- A. None

## 8. OLD BUSINESS

- A. P/M Whalen noted that the gun show on 21/22Nov2015 will award this year's gun and present next year's gun. We will have two tables and need two volunteers per table for two shifts on two days for a total of 16 volunteers. A signup sheet is going around at tonight's meeting...
- B. Devon Harris has expressed an interest in setting up a visitation schedule for volunteers to visit Roger every two weeks. Adjutant Kemeny will contact him to set up a visitation schedule.
- C. Our Marine Birthday Dinner will be on 10Nov2015 at 1800 at Shucker's Restaurant. Signup sheet again being passed around.
- D. Commandant Lambert announced that the Nominating Committee has completed its task and the following are nominated for next year's Board of Trustees:
  1. Commandant – Pete Lambert
  2. SVC – John Phipps
  3. JVC – Ami DePierro
  4. Judge Advocate – Jorge Armhold
  5. Adjutant (appointed) – jack Kemeny
  6. Paymaster (appointed) – Ed Whalen
  7. Chaplain (appointed) – Tammy Holt
  8. Sgt. At Arms (appointed) – Ken Jenkins
  9. Service Officer (appointed) – Ron Prokopowicz
  10. Jr. Past Commandant – Terry Shackleton

The assembled membership was informed of the nominations and polled three times to determine if additional nominations were provided from the floor. None were. It was called out for the nominees to be elected by acclamation. They were elected by a unanimous show of hands. Officers will be installed at the December meeting.

- E. Commandant Lambert passed on information from the latest Dept of NC quarterly meeting. We have been asked to help the Tar Heel

Detachment to host the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarterly meeting in 2017. The MCL National webpage is up and running. National is looking for a new Executive Director. The Semper Fi store is now only an online store. All National meetings will be open meetings in the future.

- F. VA Bingo in October will be on 4Nov2015. The flag retirement at Wake Forest Town Hall will be at 1100 on 2Nov2015.

## 9. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Toys 4 Tots boxes, trash bags and posters are available after the meeting. Boxes should be out in November and early December, with the Marine Reserve closing donations on 16Dec2015.
- B. Because the November and December meetings are more formal, the uniform for those meetings will be red jackets or suit & tie.
- C. The Veterans' Day Ceremony will be held at the Heritage Veterans' Memorial at the Heritage Golf Club. Uniform for this will be red jackets, or golf shirts or the MCL cover; whatever you have available. Following the ceremony, free lunch will be available at several restaurants for vets. However, John Phipps is a manager with Applebee's and the Wake Forest restaurant is hosting vets for lunch. This would also be an opportunity for our members to greet young Marine vets and let them know about our Detachment. 2-4 volunteers during lunch and dinner would be appropriate.
- D. A Saturday pancake breakfast at Applebee's in February or March would be available for the Detachment. We can sell tickets to family and friends which typically would earn \$300-400 for our charities.

## 10. GOOD OF THE LEAGUE

- A. Jack Kemeny won the 50/50 raffle and Brandon Holliday was the winner of the attendance raffle. He donated the \$75.00 to the Wounded Warrior Battalion-East.

**Commandant Lambert** closed the meeting at approximately 2030 hours.

**NEXT DETACHMENT MEETING:** Shucker's Restaurant at 1800 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jack Kemeny  
Adjutant