Marine Corps League
Department of North Carolina

Spring Membership Meeting Minutes
19 March 2022

Hosted by: Williams/Canter Detachment #1187

Host Commandants: David Anderson

Presided by: Commandant Ric Ledford
Department of North Carolina
Marine Corps League

Meeting start time: 0930
Meeting Location: Holiday Inn Express, Wilkesboro
Host Contact: David Anderson
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Phone Number: 336-488-3659
A. **Opening Remarks by Dept. Commandant Ric Ledford**
   1. Meeting called to order 0931
   2. Post Colors – General Nathaniel Greene Young Marine Unit
   4. Open Bible and Invocation – Lisa Ciesielski
   5. This Meeting dedicated to all Marines, FMF Corpsmen, FMF Chaplains, and Associates that have received PCS Orders to stand guard at the entrance to the Supreme Commandants residence.
   6. POW MIA ceremony - Lisa Ciesielski
   7. COA for color guard
      a) Cadet Collin Brown
      b) Cadet Grayson Brown
      c) Cadet Matthew Thrush
      d) Cadet Rachel Clendinen
      e) Cadet Shepard Brown
      f) Assistant Unit Commander Tina Hays
      g) Unit Commander Teresa Mattes

B. **Recognition of other Guests by the Host Detachment**
   1. Thanks, recognition and remarks by Host Detachment Commandant David Anderson
      a) Thank you to the detachment for all of the hard work put in for the success.
      b) It is the detachments who attend the meeting which make them a success.
      c) Thank you to those who went to the race track, the golf cart, and the other social events.
      d) Commandant Ledford presented to Diane Yates a rose and The William Canter Detachment a certificate of appreciation. It was Diane’s late husband Hobert, sparked the fire to have Detachment #1187 host the meeting.
e) David Anderson – at end of the meeting will be an auction.

2. Mayor Mike Inscore from Wilkesboro to present the Proclamation make Saturday March 19, 2022 Marine Corps League Day
   a) Humble and proud to stand before the Department.
   b) As Mayor and representative for the citizens of the county we say thank you for your service.
   c) He gave some background on Wilkesboro.
   d) The old courthouse in the downtown has been turned into a museum. The old jail housed Tom Dooley.

C. **Guest Speaker**
   1. Tammy Williamson, Retired Gunnery Sergeant of the United States Marine Corps and currently chapter President of the National Montford Point Marine Association INC. NC Triad- Triangle Chapter 38.
      a) Marine Corps was the last branch to allow African Americans to join.
      b) Montford Point was created to train the black recruits. Only the high qualified, educated black persons were allowed to join.
      c) They wanted to join the 51st as this unit was to be the first all-black infantry unit heading to combat. This unit never made it to combat. Their performance would judge their ability in the future.
      d) Montford Point Marines did make it to combat in the Pacific. They performed with outstanding abilities.
e) The Triad-Triangle Chapter lost one of the charter members, John Thompson, he was all about learning and teaching about it doesn’t matter the color of the skin – we are all Marines.

f) The Montford Point Marines fought for those coming behind them to be able to train and fight beside their Marine brothers and sisters as we do today.

g) Their unit passes out cancer care packages with things that can help motivate. Motivation is a huge influence of the recovery. If you know anyone going through cancer treatment, let the unit know and they can send a package to the person.

h) Share with each other any opportunities to help our fellow veterans.

i) Presented to Al Pasquale a Vietnam Era medallion for being the oldest era veteran present.

D. Recognition of National Officers & National Marines of the Year

1. NVC Mid East Division – Rick Thomason  
   a) Past NVC Mid East Division please stand
2. National Marine of the Year 2020 - Rick Thomason  
   a) Past National Marine of the Year please stand
3. Honorable 59th Chief Devil Dog Tom Hazlett (absent)
4. National & MED Boy Scouts Committee & MED Sgt at Arms - Charles Minton
5. Mideast Division Sgt at Arms – Jeffrey Jones
6. Mideast Division Web Sergeant – Kenny Joyner
7. National Youth Physical Fitness Chairman - Devell (Bull) Durham (absent)
8. National Historian – Greg Ciesielski
10. MCLA National Forms Committee - Barbara Dugan
11. MCLA National Girl Scout Committee - Karen Sequin

E. Recognition of the Department Marine/Woman of the Year

1. There was no 2021 Department Marine of the Year selected
2. Ask all past MOY & WOY Recipients to stand and be recognized
F. Recognition of Past Department Commandants
   1. Jr. Past Department Commandant Rick Thomason
   2. Ask all the Past Department Commandants to stand and be recognized.

G. Recognition of Guests with Invitation to address the membership
   1. MODD NC Pack Worthy Pack Leader – PDD Greg Ciesielski
   2. NC MCL Auxiliary President – Barbara Dugan

H. Chapel of Four Chaplains Presentation
   1. none

       1030 -- 15-minute break to excuse any guests, Honor Guard, Auxiliary or non-members that may need to leave at this time

   1045 -- Meeting called to order

   **Commandant Ledford read the proclamation from Mayor Inscore

I. Proclamation
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J. Roll Call of Department Officers
   (By the Adjutant– “When called, each Officer shall rise and salute the Commandant.”)

   1. Commandant – Ric Ledford
   2. Sr. Vice Commandant – Julianne Froncek
   4. Judge Advocate – Kenny Joyner
   5. Jr. Past Commandant – Rick Thomason
   6. Aide-De-Camp- John Dilday
   7. Chaplain – Lisa Ciesielski
   8. Assistant Chaplain – Bill Boyd
   9. Sgt.-at-Arms – Taine Pyle
   10. Assistant Sgt.-at-Arms – James Pedersen
   11. Paymaster – Randal Rempfer (abent)
   12. Young Marines Service Officer – Jonathan Henderson
14. VAVS Service Officer – James Hart
15. Legislative Officer – Phil Randall
16. Compliance Officer – Phil Randall
17. Bylaws Committee Chairman – Lisa Ciesielski
18. Eagle Scout Coordinator – Charles Minton
19. Marine For Life Liaison – Mark Munger (absent)
20. Adjutant – Laura Hamilton
21. Web Sergeant – Kenny Joyner
22. Public Relations – OPEN
23. Historian - Greg Ciesielski
24. Chapel of Four Chaplains – OPEN

K. **District Vice Commandants**
   (By the Adjutant – “When called, each DVC shall rise and salute the Commandant.”)

1. **NC West DVC’s**
   a) West District – Denver Grant
   b) Northwest District – Chuck Wright (absent)
   c) Midwest District – Glenn Perkins
   d) Northcentral District – Lewis Pleasants
   e) Central District – John Dilday
   f) Southcentral – Denny Mathias

2. **NC East DVC’s**
   a) North District – Bill Brown
   b) Northeast District – Taine Pyle
   c) South District – Howard Boyd
   d) Southeast District – Alex ‘Gunner’ Nevgloski
   e) East District – Greg Ciesielski

L. **Roll Call of Detachments**
   (By the Adjutant – “The senior member of each Detachment shall rise, salute the Commandant, state their Detachment position and the number of members present to ensure a quorum is met.”)

1. John V. Berg Detachment #257 (Kinston) (absent)
2. Greater Greensboro Detachment #260 (Greensboro)
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41. Orange County Regulators Detachment #1292 (Hillsboro)
42. Walter Frank Osborne Jr. Detachment #1298 (Sparta) (absent)
43. Northwest Triad Detachment #1314 (Stokesdale)
44. Mountaineer Detachment #1320 (Watauga)
45. Hampstead Detachment #1321 (Pender)
46. Surry County Detachment #1322 (Surry)
47. Crossed Rifles Detachment #1346 (Harnett) (absent)
48. Wayneborough Detachment #1350 (Wayne) (absent)
49. High Country Detachment #1389 (Ashe)
50. Swansboro Detachment #1407 (Swansboro)
51. Oriental Dragon Detachment #1413 (Oriental)
52. Asheville Detachment #1417 (Asheville)
53. RDU Detachment #1482 (Durham)

M. Adjutant’s Report
1. The minutes are posted on the website and were emailed out.
2. Please make sure a copy of your latest ROI is sent to the Adjutant as well as the Paymaster (who gets the original signed copy).
3. An Excel spreadsheet titled “2022 DoNC Quick Reference DDDD” has been sent out to all detachments. Please make sure this is shared with all of your detachment members. It will be updated on occasion with a new dated version to be sent out.
4. Rosters were sent out differently this last time. The individual detachments and the entire department in a zipped file. This went to all regular email groups except general members.
5. It is imperative that the Detachment Commandant and Paymaster have emails. There is some data which is only sent to them.
6. When data is sent out and a response is requested to be sent to a specific person, please send it to that person. You may always copy me but please do respond to the requested person.
7. Quick Reference Guides to do go through a couple of people when updates are sent out. Please read them.
8. Use the updated ROI form and any other form sent out. Even though it is easy to ‘save as’ on an older version, there are changes that are not being filled out.
9. ROI’s are required every year per National Bylaws. No matter what your detachment bylaws say, a new ROI must be sent in.
10. There are still some detachments reporting they are not doing the PLM audit. This is throwing away money.
11. There were a lot of great accolades for the Toys For Tots volunteers reported in the reports this time. Great job!!
12. Communication is key, both directions in the chain of command.
13. Detachments need to check the department website for their contact information to make sure someone can find the current people.

Commandant Ledford asks for a motion to waive reading of the minutes. Jeffrey Jones made motion waive the reading and to approve the minutes as written. Second by John Irwin. Approved by members present.

N. Paymaster’s Report – Ric Ledford
   1. Commandant Ledford tried to go through the report as best as possible.
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2. Jeffrey Jones questioned the a/v equipment expenses and how much has been spent. The last expenses were not voted on by the department. He
understands it is a good bit of money. We are spending money we don’t have yet. We spent money that wasn’t approved. The BOT approved the money after it was spent. We need to stay within the budget which was approved.

3. Denny Mathias explained what has taken place. We were in the learning mode. We bought some things which didn’t work and sent it back. This is for the people here and those who can’t be here. We will be able to segregate the sections of the meetings for those who want to go back through it and only hearing pieces. We can turn Facebook off/on. The meeting will still be recorded. Some of the items were just bought in the last 3 days, such as the storage tubs. He has stuff at his house which will be sent back. We now have the ability to zoom and pan which is much better than just an IPad. It is roughly $22,000 right now. There is some stuff to be sent back which will bring the total cost down.

4. Patrick Melton stated that about $15,000 was spent on a/v equipment which are depreciating items. In 3 to 5 years it will need to be replaced. What will the department do to raise the $15,000 plus 30% interest to replace it? He had offered to help in Charlotte to the department, the MODD, and National. We should have hired an a/v consultant to determine what the needs were.

5. John Dilday stated that at the convention $10,000 was approved. The BOT approved another $10,680. This is close to $21,000. What is the total amount?

6. Bruce Goeden made the motion to approve the paymasters report subject to audit. Second by Al Pasquale. Approved by members present.

1. Report of any deceased MCL member since our last meeting.
Wilbur L. Calcutt of the Sandhills Area Det 1001 answered his final earthly roll call on 10/11/2021
Bernard R. Lee of the High Country Det 1389 answered his final earthly roll call on 10/25/2021
Edward C. Myers of the NC Foothills Det 1164 answered his final earthly roll call on 8/30/2021
Larry Lackey of the Iredell County Det 1097 answered his final earthly roll call on 9/7/2021
Douglas M. Muse of the Gen. Raymond G. Davis Det 1162 answered his final earthly roll call on 10/7/2021
John A. Lynch of the Air, Land, NC Det 1257 answered his final earthly roll call on 6/3/2021
Bobby E. Holt of the Cherry Point Det 1067 answered his final earthly roll call on 9/11/2021
Kenneth G. Beach of the Gen Raymond G Davis Det 1162 answered his final earthly roll call on 10/3/2021
James F. Benton Jr. of the Paul Ray Purgason Det 1005 answered his final earthly roll call on 11/6/2021
Leon Noorjan of the Carolina Boarders Det 1036 answered his final earthly roll call on 11/13/2021
Harry Thetford of the Greater Greensboro Det 260 answered his final earthly roll call on 10/26/2021
H. Lloyd Wilkerson of the Greater Greensboro Det 260 answered his final earthly roll call on 10/11/2021
R. Max O’Dell of the Greater Greensboro Det 260 answered his final earthly roll call on 10/6/2021
Carl R. Stevenson of the Swansboro Det 1407 answered his final earthly roll call on 11/16/2021
2. Please pause for a moment of silence for our fallen Marines, those who are sick or in distress and for the 4 Marines lost in a training exercise in Norway last night.
P. **D.V.C.’s - Report of Officers** – Commandant Ledford asks for a motion to waive the reading of the DVC reports. Greg Ciesielski made the motion to waive the reading of the reports. Second by Lee Taylor. Approved by members present.

1. **NC West DVC’s**
   a) West District – Denver Grant
      
      [Detachment information]

   1. Detachment #646 has held normal scheduled face to face business meetings for all of the 3rd quarter. The 3rd quarter report using detachment information shows a 0% of unpaid member’s. Total paid members 120 with 0 unpaid members. The information used to gather this report is questionable with the belief that the roster received from national is not accurate. Detachment 845 will hold officer elections on April 23, 2022.

   2. Detachment #1011 has held normal meetings as scheduled. An officer’s installation was held on March 16, 2022 with an ROI submitted. The 3rd quarter report indicating 11.1% of members not in good standing. Total paid 55 with 7 unpaid members. The information used to gather this report is questionable with the belief that the roster received from national is not accurate. The detachment has been asked to double check their info against the national roster.

   3. Detachment #1417 held its first normal business meetings during the 3rd quarter. The 3rd quarter report is still not accurate due to the use of National out dated numbers. The detachment absorbed most of the Waynesville and Sylvia detachments when the charters for both were pulled. The 3rd quarter report stated that Det 1417 has 244/40% unpaid due to this info but shows significant new detachment growth. A review of the most current roster and the detachment records with the #1417 paymaster revealed that the information on the absorbed members is still lacking into the some absorbed members. Total paid membership is now 102 Marines and Associates. I would like to continue to help the paymaster in receiving the correct info. Det #1417 will hold its new officers installation on April 26, 2022.

   4. Memberships in all West Division detachments are all in good standing. All Detachments activities and projects are still limited somewhat by Covid 19 but it is improving.

   5. Recruitment and the National database is still the emphasis for the next quarter. None of the national rosters received by any detachment in the West District appears to be correct. All paymasters state that the roster having missing or unpaid members who have paid. All paymasters have been asked to provide information to me concerning these problems prior to the DoNC Convention.

   b) Northwest District – Chuck Wright (absent)

   c) Midwest District – Glenn Perkins
Name of District Officer: GLENN PERKINS
District: MIDWEST
Date prepared: 1-12-22

Reporting Period (Highlight the period below):
- Third quarter - 1 December to 28/29 February
- Convention/Fourth quarter - 1 March to 31 May
- First quarter - 1 June to 31 August
- Second quarter - 1 September to 30 November

Detachments visited/contacted during this reporting period: 6

Detachment unpaid member status:
For each of your detachments, list their detachment number, total regular and associate members, total unpaid members, and their percent of unpaid members. The Department goal is 3%, or less.

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Total unpaid member percentage for this District: 24.8%
(Add up all of the Total unpaid members and divide that number by all of the above Total Reg. & Assoc. members to get the total unpaid percentage for your District)

How many Detachments are in your District: 6-1 not active
How many of these detachments were represented at the last quarterly meeting? 3
What percentage of your District Detachments were represented at the last Quarterly meeting? (The Department goal is 70% or better) 50%

What Detachments in your District have 19, or less, total members? (Detachments must maintain a minimum of 15 members in ‘good standing’ in order to be considered an active Detachment) 0

What are you doing to assist these Detachments to gain a total membership of 20 or more members?

What Detachments in your District have 14, or less, total members? (These Detachments are a PRIORITY to get back to a level of ‘good standing’ or their Charters may be pulled) 0

Are there currently any Detachment Charters in your District being held by the Department due to inactivity? 1
If so, what Detachment names and numbers are they? 1266
Per the National By-Laws, do these Charters need to be surrendered and the Detachments dissolved? Have surrendered and transfer goods.

Special District projects you are involved in at this time: Foothill Detachment is having some issues. Working with them.

New Detachment Recruiting Efforts: none

Suggestions for the ‘Good of the League’ as a result of your DVC activities: none

Detachments deserving special recognition in your District and reasons why:

d) Northcentral District – Lewis Pleasants
e) Central District – John Dilday

Report of the Central District DVC for 3rd Quarter 2021-2022

All of the Detachments of the Central District have been moving back to regular scheduled meetings and working to get back to a sense of normalcy. Each Detachment completed their Toys 4 Tots drive with a huge success and were able serve over 10,000 kids combined with toys for Christmas.

Each Detachment is making plans for fundraisers in order to better serve the needs of their community. Some new projects that some of the Detachments are doing is to establish scholarships to be awarded to local deserving Seniors at local High Schools. Three of the five Detachments are putting together plans to hopefully establish a Young Marine Program in their community.

As always, each Detachment is focusing on ways to increase membership by increasing activity in the community. To highlight the results of one Detachment in particular, the Sandhills Detachment in Southern Pines has brought in 14 new members since October, 2021 by their community activities.

It has been my objective to attend as many activities of each Detachment I represent and to be at each scheduled Monthly Meeting. Being their DVC is a pleasure to me and has allowed my wife and myself to develop some great relationships. I appreciate the honor of serving in this capacity.

That is my report for the Spring Meeting.

f) Southcentral – Denny Mathias
Name of District Officer: Dennis Mathias  
District: SouthCentral District  

Date prepared: 17 March 2022  

Reporting Period (Highlight the period below):  
- First quarter - 1 June to 31 August  
- Second quarter - 1 September to 30 November  
- Third quarter - 1 December to 28 February  
- Fourth quarter - 1 March to 31 May  

Detachments visited/contacted during this reporting period:  
750 Charlotte  
914 PFC Charles Hare – Monroe  
1021 Stanly County - Albemarle  
1175 Cabarrus County - Concord  
1242 PFC Bruce Larson - Huntersville  

Detachment unpaid member status:  
For each of your detachments, list their Detachment number, total regular and Associate members, total unpaid members, and their percent of unpaid members. Department goal: <3%.  

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<td>41 (41)</td>
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Total unpaid member percentage for this District:  
Add up all the Total unpaid members and divide that number by all of the above Total Life, Reg & Assoc. members. Get the total unpaid percentage for your District. Non-Voting (Multiple) members are included in these members.  

District Total | 198 (188) | 40 (47) | 16.9% (20.0%) |

Annual Members Totals Only | 77 (87) | 40 (47) | 54.6% (51.2%)  

(n) From 1/4/2022 Nationals Report  
a Includes Honorary Members  
b Does not include Honorary Members. Col 2 / (Col 1 + Col 2)  
c Reported to me this info in time to prepare this report. Otherwise, the info is from the National Report.  
d Reported data numbers have over 10% variance in UNPAID from the National Report.
The variance in unpaid Detachment vs National numbers is significant. Possibly due to the National numbers are as of Oct 6 and Detachment are as of Nov 30 and National had not caught up with posting all payments and any payments received in the Detachment in those 2 months are not reflected in the National numbers. This inherent lag is justification for not having the National numbers required in the Quarterly Report. They are no longer relevant when this quarterly report is generated.

How many Detachments are in your District? ........................................................................ 5
How many of these Detachments were represented at the last Department meeting? .............. 2

What percentage of your District Detachments were represented at the last Department meeting (The Department goal is 70% or better)? ........................................ 40%

What Detachments in your District have 19, or less, total members? ..... 1
(Detachments must maintain a minimum of 15 members in ‘good standing’ in order to be considered an active Detachment)

What are you doing to assist these Detachments to gain a total membership of 20 or more members?
All attempts at trying to get the detachment to be more visible in the community have not succeeded. They gain exposure through the TFT program which has them maintaining at the 16-18 range for years.

What Detachments in your District have 14, or less, total members? ...... 0
(These Detachments are a PRIORITY to get back to a level of ‘good standing’ or their Charters may be pulled)

Are there currently any Detachment Charters in your District being held by the Department due to inactivity? ..................... NO
If so, what Detachment names and numbers are they? Per the National By-Laws, do these Charters need to be surrendered and the Detachments dissolved?

Special District projects you are involved in at this time:
No detachments have any special projects to report.

New Detachment Recruiting Efforts:
No detachments have any new recruiting efforts to report.

Suggestions for the ‘Good of the Leagues’ as a result of your DVC activities:
On Feb 19, the 5 detachments in the Southcentral district had a meeting with all 5 commandants, 4 adjutants, and 1 paymaster present. A report of this meeting was distributed to the Department Officers and the attendees.

The conversation entered around public awareness, membership attendance, and membership acquisition. There were many ideas discussed and the commandants agreed to present these to their detachment committees that address these issues. The ideas were intended for the Southcentral District detachments. They might or might not work for other detachments, but the only way to know is to have a district meeting and discuss how to improve those detachments.

Detachments deserving special recognition in your District and reasons why:
None have been involved in programs that differ from their regular activities of golf tours, Tots, and bucket brigades.

2. **NC East DVC’s**
   a) North District – Bill Brown
Name of District Officer: Bill Brown
District: North
Date prepared: 13 March 2022

Reporting Period (Highlight the period below):
- Third quarter - 1 December to 28 February
- Convention/Fourth quarter - 1 March to 31 May
- First quarter - 1 June to 31 August
- Second quarter - 1 September to 30 November

Detachments visits/contacts during this reporting period: Boxed all seven during the Quarter. Assisted Raleigh-based USMC in Toys for Tots collections in Wake, Durham, Good Hope, and Franklin counties. Assisted MDC, RDU MCL, and RDU MCL #1892 in operations, securing contracts with Hilton Garden Inn at Crabtree Mall (Raleigh) area for 2022 USMC Convention. Accepted the surrender of Detachment Charter from Orange County Regulator in Hillsborough NC with MED/DVC, Rick Thomas in attendance, and members from #109. LCol Allen D Lam, #733 Tarheel and #1482 RDU MCL – the three closest Detachments for potential transfer of members. Accepted, effective meeting in Eden, NC on 1/30, RCO Jerry L. McKinney, past Detachment Commander, was present during the election of new officers at the Tarheel Detachment #733 in February and will be installed in their installation in March by Past Commander John Satley.

Detachment unpaid member status:
For each of your Detachments, list their Detachment number, total regular and Associate members, total unpaid members, and their percent of unpaid members. The Department goal is 3%, or less:

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- * Numbers reported by Detachment Commander, but no report received to date.
- ** Less than seven members, as of 15 Jan 2022 when Orange County Regulators surrendered their Charter.

Total unpaid member percentage for this District: 18.4% (Add up all of the Total unpaid members and divide that number by all of the above Total Reg & Assoc members to get the total unpaid percentage for your District)

How many Detachments are in your District? Presently, seven, however, one of the seven, Orange County Regulators #1292 voluntarily surrendered their Charter on 1/30/2022, but their members have not been transferred to a new Detachment yet.

How many of these detachments were represented at the last Quarterly meeting? Six of the seven Detachments within the North District were represented in the Fall Membership meeting in Fayetteville.

What percentage of your District Detachments were represented at the last Quarterly meeting? The Department goal is 70% or better? 85.7%

What Detachments in your District have 15 or less total members? (Detachments must maintain a minimum of 15 members in good standing in order to be considered an active Detachment). One - #1292 Orange County Regulators voluntarily surrendered their charter on 1/30/2022.

What are you doing to assist these Detachments to gain a total membership of 20 or more members? During the past year the Orange County Regulators have had minimal activity as a Detachment party due to COVID and the fact that most of the members are in poor health, cannot travel, and due to their age are reluctant to gather as a functioning Detachment. When the motion to surrender the Detachment was made, each member was mailed notification of the meeting to voice any objection and attempt to continue and less than half of the Detachment members attended or even inquired of the process to transfer to a nearby Detachment. I continue to work with the Detachment Commanders to reach every last member and assist the relocation to another Detachment or if not interested as a last resort to assist in making them Members-at-Large. Since all but three members are Life Members we want to ensure that they can be transferred to a Detachment that will benefit the PLM interest paid rather than having it revert to National Headquarters.

What Detachments in your District have 14 or less total members? None at.

(These Detachments are a PRIORITY to get back to a level of ‘good standing’ or their Charters may be pruned)

Are there currently any Detachment Charters in your District being held by the Department due to inactivity? Yes.
b) Northeast District – Taine Pyle
c) South District – Howard Boyd
d) Southeast District – Alex Nevgoski

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e) East District – Greg Ciesielski

Q. **Training Presentations**
   1. Kenny Joyner – website
      a) As folks know, during the meetings, Facebook live is turned off but it is on the website in the minutes. Anyone can see it here.
      b) He is looking into the DoNC website about making the minutes in a secure page. The password will be sent out once generated.
      c) Detachment areas on the DoNC site needs to be looked by each detachment.
      d) Detachment newsletters can be put on the site. Send to Kenny. Please redact any information not wanted in the public.
      e) If you see anything that needs to be updated, please email him. Anything else that needs to be secured please let him know.
      f) Suggestions were made to make a Members Only page and put secure information there.

R. **Recess of the DoNC Membership Meeting morning session**
   1. Chaplain to close Bible - 1145
   2. Sgt-at-Arms to announce that the meeting will reconvene 1 hour and 15 minutes from now.

**Recess for lunch - Reconvene in 1 hour**
   1. Plan for a lunch recess no later than 1145. Reconvene at 1300.
   2. **Terri Parsons** will be our lunch time speaker. She is the Widow of NASCAR Hall of Famer Benny Parsons. She resides in Purlear, located in Wilkes County. She is the owner of Benny Parsons Rendezvous' Ridge

S. **Reconvene the DoNC Membership Meeting afternoon session**
   1. Sgt-at-Arms to bring meeting to order -1322
   2. Chaplain to open the Bible

T. **Commandant’s Report – Ric Ledford**
   1. Was not able to get out visiting detachments much.
   2. He was able to get out to a couple funerals whose family member died but not Marines and provide military honors.
3. Mid-Winter Conference.
   a) We have a lot of good programs. We need to do better with some of the programs.
   b) Toys For Tots – Walt Disney designed the logo.
   c) Discussion on uniforms and honor/color guards.
   d) MED Conference will have National providing training on Atlas.

4. Very happy of the turnout for this meeting.

U. Report of Staff Officers

1. Sr. Vice Commandant – Julianne Froncek
   a) US Flag made by Taine Pyle is about 18x36 inches. The sales have been good so far. There are 1000 tickets to be sold.
   b) The Department coin has been made and is $12. 600 Coins were made.
   c) The flag poles from the last convention – 5 poles have been sold.
   d) The Department does have a couple of Squares. Jeffrey Jones stated he does not have one.
   e) There was discussion about the fundraisers now and what are the proposed fundraisers for this next year. If both current fundraisers are completed it is approximately $10,000 profit.
   f) There was discussion about keeping the bylaws followed with elections, conventions, fundraising.
   g) This last year was off. Normally, we have everything in place by the convention for the next year. It is hard for the SrV position to have a fundraiser ready by the convention when we don’t know who the SrV will be.
   h) Commandant Ledford stated that if you intent to run for SrV to have a game plan ready to be put into place if elected.

2. Jr. Vice Commandant – Jim Tant (absent)

3. Judge Advocate – Kenny Joyner
   a) Detachment bylaws – 53% are 100% compliant with bylaws. He has soft copies of 43%. The bylaw tab on the Quick Reference Guide has the status and notes. Get with him if there are any discrepancies. The latest certification page is available online in the Documents section.
b) Grievance / charges – none.
c) Charters surrendered – 1265 and 1292.
d) The sample bylaws are just good guidelines for the detachment.
e) Network with each other to get better and not criticize each other.

4. Bylaws Committee Chairman – Lisa Ciesielski
   a) 41 bylaw changes were submitted by midnight on March 14th.
   b) She is going through them to take out duplicates, so the final number will be lower.
   c) They will be posted on the webpage no later than 30 days prior to the convention. (Most are already on the website).

5. Sgt.-at-Arms – Taine Pyle
   i. Pledge is done uncovered with hand over your heart.
   ii. Salute the flag with the mouth closed, then uncover, then recover.
   iii. This is per the flag code.

6. Aide-De-Camp – John Dilday
   a) Discuss upcoming Membership meetings and host Detachments for them
      i. **Convention 2022** – May 13-15, Hilton Garden Inn, Raleigh, hosted by RDU Det #1482
      ii. **MidEast Conference 2022** – June 24-26, Doubletree by Hilton RDU hosted by DoNC & LCpl Alan D Lam #1209
      iii. **Fall 2022** – October 7-8 (tentative), Mountaineer Det #1320, Boone
      iv. **Spring 2023** – need host volunteer
      v. **Convention 2023** – Onslow Det #262, Jacksonville
      vi. **Fall 2023** – need host volunteer

V. Report of Project Leaders
   (3-5 minutes)
   1. Toys For Tots – Reggie Sawyer, Jr.
      a) 1.3 million children received toys
b) 11 NC detachments have submitted reports (96,032 toys).
c) Please submit your report.
d) If there is a civilian coordinator now, the local detachment can request to take it over.
e) Gunny Claus is back online and working on getting restructured.
   They are targeting the 2022 season.
2. Eagle Scout Program – Charles Minton
   a) This quarter he has received reports from 30 detachments. Of those, 8 detachments have presented 33 Eagle Scouts Awards.
   b) To date this FY 145 Awards have been presented.
   c) MED had the most certificates presented with DoNC having the highest number in the nation.
   d) National putting together a program for the other scouting types to recognize their achievements.
   e) Tarheel detachment with the most this year – 36 Awards.
   f) We do not know how many were female versus male. He has asked for this but not received it in the reports.
3. Marine For Life Liaison – Mark Munger (absent)
4. Young Marines Program – Jonathan Henderson
   a) Powerpoint to be sent out.
   b) The kids write the articles in the YM magazine.
5. VAVS Program – James Hart (not given)
What is the VAVS Program??

This is where as MARINES we were trained to Leave NO MARINE behind. This program not only helps our Brothers/Sisters but also give Aid to all Veterans and their Dependents. Hospitals, clinics and Nursing Homes - we are charged with freeing up the Doctors and Nurses by handling details like moving Patients around, delivering mail, serving treats and refreshments, valet parking and giving directions for appointments. Transportation network with the DAV. We can not replace paid personnel just assist them.

Our Volunteers Impact only ASHEVILLE & SALISBURY reporting hours In 2021 474.75 hours with 6 volunteers then we were restricted due to Covet. 2022 we are limited as restrictions as who is allowed in the hospital at this time. We are told that at Asheville we can now use Volunteers in Valet Parking, helping with wheelchairs and giving directions inside. They look to add more in 30/60 days.

HOW can your Detachment assist?
All detachments within a reasonable distance from a VA Facility should get together and select a MCL Representative and up to 3 Deputies to assist in Recruiting Volunteers.

I need your help in keeping up with the Hours and Donations given as well as staffing our VA hospitals, Clinics and Nursing Homes with Needed Volunteers. Contact the Chief of Volunteer Service at each Location for what is needed.

6. Fund-Raising – Julianne Froncek / Jeffrey Jones (already discussed)
7. Compliance Officer – Phil Randall
   a) Procedural manual is needed for the detachments and department.
   b) Only 18% have met all requirements.
   c) You are an incorporated business. The Board of Trustees is responsible to the Secretary of State and IRS.
   d) You must have 7 years of minutes available should you be audited by SoS or IRS.
   e) A new Department manual will be created for compliance and how to keep the paperwork.
8. Scholarship – Ric Ledford
   a) Have not received any scholarships request to date.
   b) It is on the website.

Commandant Ledford “At this time I ask for a motion from the Floor to accept the Officer and Committee reports as given or submitted.”
Charles Minton made the motion to accept the reports as given or submitted. Second by Bill Brown. Approved by members present.

W. **Awards and Recognition**
   1. Detachment streamer for the 50th Anniversary for their colors. For those detachments who attended the Convention last year - 257, 260, 262, 733, 750, 848, 983, 1005, 1021, 1036, 1067, 1075, 1162, 1163, 1164, 1187, 1197, 1209, 1223, 1232, 1236, 1242, 1257, 1262, 1265, 1276, 1298, 1314, 1320, 1321, 1322, 1389, 1407, 1413, 1417, 1482.

X. **Unfinished Business**
   1. None

Y. **New Business**
   1. Jeffrey Jones made the motion to donate the old speaker system to the DoNC Auxiliary. Second by Taine Pyle. Approved by members present.

Z. **Good of the League**
   1. Lewis Pleasant – 2022 Mud Run June 4th
   2. Frank Christmas – Det 1242 – Backpack for Life program for homeless veterans. It is full of daily essentials. Passed out through First Responders and the VA representatives. They have passed out 50 packs.
   3. Denny Mathias – South Central District – had a commandant council. It was a very good meeting. We talked about how to help each other with what works in our area. Maybe have it in conjunction with a growl in the district.

AA. **Announcements**
   1. Bruce Goeden – DoNC Convention announcement flyer
   2. David Anderson – intention to run for DoNC SrV.
   3. Julianne Froncek – intention to run for DoNC SrV.
   4. Kenny Joyner – will not be running for DoNC JA.
   5. Ric Ledford – intention to run for DoNC CO.
7. Kenny Joyner – if you know anyone going through cancer treatment, please send contact to him and he will get a cancer packet from the Montford Marine Unit, NC Triad- Triangle Chapter 38.

BB. Closing of the Meeting per Ritual
1. Remarks by Cmdt. Ledford
2. Singing of the Marines Hymn
3. “Good night Chesty, wherever you are!”
4. Retire the Colors
5. Sr. Vice Commandant’s last duty – Julianne Froncek
7. Meeting adjourned 1458