

# DEPARTMENT OF MISSOURI—MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

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## Department Quarterly Meeting 09 September 2015 Minutes

### 1. Opening

The regular meeting of the Department of Missouri, Marine Corps League was called to order at 0900 on 09 September 2015 at Samuel F. Gearhart Detachment Headquarters by Department Commandant Webb.

### 2. Roll Call of Officers

Commandant: Bill Webb – Present  
Senior Vice-Commandant: Steve Michalski – Present  
Junior Vice-Commandant: Robert Reed – Present  
Junior Past Commandant: Floyd Miller – Present  
Judge Advocate: John O'Rando – Present  
Paymaster: Janice Hartley – Present  
Adjutant: Hugh Nisbet – Present  
Chaplain: Joe Terry – Present  
Sergeant at Arms: Gregory Craig – Present  
Auditor 1 yr: Eric Salaby – Present  
Auditor 2 yr: Dick Brouillette – Present  
Auditor 3 yr: Rick Smythe – Present

### 3. Introduction of guests and recognition of officers

The following guests were introduced: Wendell Webb, National Sr. Vice Commandant; Dave Hunter, Midwest Division Vice Commandant; Past Department Commandants Bob Box, Dave Hunter, Floyd Hunter, Lloyd Stevens, Richard Bollwerk, Teresa Terry; Marines of the Year Jerry Bradley, Dick Brouillette, Teresa Terry; Kennel Mad Dog, Allen Sanning, Vice Commandant Devil Dog Midwest Steve Michalski, Legal Beagle Teresa Terry, Commandant Webb introduce self and report he served two years in the Marines.

### Approval of Minutes

Minutes of previous meeting were read. Motion by Dave Hunter to approve reading, 2nd by Dave Hunter. Motion Carried.

### Correspondence

None

### **Sick or in distress**

Bob Scannell, surgery; Bill Survant, surgery; Rick Smythe, colon; Lester Koelling, knee and leg swelling; Mike Zimmerman, \_\_\_\_\_; William Mathison, wife health issues this month, he this year; Dave Anderson, rehab in Arnold.

### **Report of Officers**

Commandant Webb attended the National Convention was impressed by John McCain. Reported that inmates in Joe Arpaio's jail all wear pink with the exception of veterans who wear black and white.

National Commandant did not run for second term. Richard Gore, Wendell Webb, Dennis Tobin and Johnny Booker were all elected.

Three employees were fired.

Chief Devil Dog rebuilt the website-mclnational.org

Semper Fi magazine will have fewer Marine Corps articles, more Marine Corps League articles.

By-Laws: Financial situation for 3 yrs 50% of new Life member dues will be used to help over current crisis

Ribbon for Color Guard

Overland Park, KS will host 2017 convention.

Sr. Vice Commandant Michalski reported that Scottsdale program had a full-page ad from Overland Park.

Time and Place 2016 Department Convention to be hosted by St. Louis Detachment 183. Motion by Dave Hunter, second by Bob Box to approve location. Motion carried.

Convention likely to be June 3-4, County site will cost \$112-120 per night, City location will cost \$99-109 per night. The Westin is \$112 per night.

Richard Bollwerk had question o the date.

Wayne Reed noted that Kimmswick has fundraiser on that date in which Detachment participates.

Jr. Vice Commandant Reed contact 20 detachments for paid membership. Seven responded.

Paperwork needs to be properly filed.

There are system problems

Each Detachment must provide a contact person to Jr. Vice Commandant.

Jr. Past Commandant Terry had no report.

Judge Advocate O'Rando had no report.

Paymaster Hartley provided Financial Report and Budget.

Newsletter should publish dues date.

Paid Life Members 10 of 20 reports have been received.

Adjutant Nisbet had no report,

Sergeant at Arms Craig had no report, did comment on Sign-In sheet.

Chaplain Terry spoke of Janice Hartley's accident. There were seven deaths. Detachment Chaplains need to get e-mail address to Department Chaplain.

Vice Commandants

Northeast – Report filed

East - Excused

Central – Visited one unit, another member covered one.

Southwest – Report written,

West – Open

Detachments

Old Drum

Tripoli

Lincoln

Greater Ozark

Simpson; 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday, Posted Colors and Taps, Taps VMFA

Mizzou

Richard S. Haynes

Warsaw: \$1000 raffle; added 15 members last year; Camp Valor \$600 raised, \$500 to go; 3 Boy Scout Citizenship Awards presented, 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday is meeting date.

Northwest Missouri: held 9/11 celebration; South Side fall festival; Vets helping Vets.

St. Louis 184: Pistol shoot; .45 and AR 15; participated in Webster Groves Parade.

Jefferson County: BBQ in Arnold with VFW; horse prior weekend; Kimmswick Apple butter festival.

Kansas City: Detachment in process of dissolving with decision by November 2015.

Lake of the Ozarks: Filed

Southwest Missouri: Filed

Phillips

Yarbrough: Submitted

St. Charles

Gearhart: To be filed

South St. Louis: 8000 Color Guards done; BBQ for Focus Marines.

Lincoln County: Filed

M4L: Wendell Webb Filed

Focus Marines Foundation had 3rd class of year in September, 2015, will host 4<sup>th</sup> class in November.

Lloyd Stevens 1973 MCL News

Elaborated on Focus Marines and their mission.

Piston Shoot: Allen Sanning 323 Weapons Co. assisting. Four detachments participating; St. Charles, Gearhart, Haymes and Lake Ozark.

Rules for 2015-2016 are effective now. Proposed shoot dates: 9/17/16 or 9/24/16 will be determined by 2 November.

MCL Foundation.org: Greg Hart is new president.

Floyd Miller explains process of obtaining assistance, donations are needed.

Allen Sanning questions on getting monies through Amazon (smile) and Pay Pal.

Floyd Miller spoke on Scholarship Funds.

Eagle Scout Coordinator: Dick Brouillette No report

Unfinished Business:

Richard Bullwark spoke on Go-to-meeting.com for on-line meetings, Explained methodology of process, WHY, provides pros and cons Inclusiveness mentioned, costs, Institution specific meeting program, safe.

Wendell Webb stated idea is good, a committee is needed to further investigate.

Tracking will be needed,

Committee: Floyd Miller, Richard Bollwark, Steve Michalski, Marcus Penn.

Dick Brouillette provided handout on judging Newsletter. It is unfinished.

Dave Hunter: MWDVC spoke on budget, previously \$200,000, now less than \$15,000/

Dues – Missouri's incorrect rosters need correction

National – 11,000 delinquent, 231-232 in Department

Wendell Webb: New data base us EXCEL

990 requirements to be posted.

Floyd Miller received cup from Commandant.

Announcements : Thank you from Wendell Webb and Bill Webb for chow.

Adjournment at 1130 hours.