



Marine Corps League
Department of Missouri
Meeting Agenda

DATE: 4/1/2023

UNIFORM OF THE DAY: Red Blazers / Black Trousers

0800 – CHOW

*****Sr. Vice Commandant Eddie Dodson to lead meeting*****

0900 - OPENING CERMONY

HOUSEKEEPING – There will be a 10-15 break about 10:00am.

Head Calls, Prepare to finish meeting, MODD Pack Growl Preparation, etc.

ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS

- Commandant Ryan Petras (**EXCUSED**) Public Information Officer Andy Riggle Sr Vice Eddie Dodson Vice Commandant West Lance Rider Jr Vice Commandant Jason Riemann Vice Commandant SW Fred Romaine Judge Advocate Lance Rider Vice Commandant Central Frank Livingston Adjutant Matt White Vice Commandant NE Mark Hoernschemeyer Paymaster Jim Maevers Vice Commandant East Mike Francis Sgt at Arms Greg Craig Marine for Life Coordinator Joe Gentile Chaplain Fred Romaine Toys for Tots Coordinator Kevin Jackson Auditor 1 Doug Robinson Training Officer Janice Hartley Auditor 2 Ed Whitthar Auditor 3 Janice Hartley

MEMBER RECOGNITIONS:

(Considering allotted time, announce attendees in groups)

MCL PNC Wendell Webb - 62nd Past National Commandant

Asst NVC Jim Maevers

National & Division Officers Currently Serving, please stand

Dept Officers / Committee Chairs Currently Serving, please stand

Detachment Officers Currently Serving, please stand

Past Dept Commandants, please stand

Past Division MOYS, please stand

Past Dept MOYS, please stand

The Honorable 60th Chief Devil dog CDD Alan Sanning

The Honorable 59th Chief Devil dog PCDD Tom Hazlett

The Honorable 58th Chief Devil dog PCDD Leonard Spicer

The Honorable Vice Chief Devil dog (Midwest Div) PDD Mike Francis

All Kennel Officers, please stand

Thank you all for your attendance today, and your dedication to the Marine Corps League!!

BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES:

Has everyone received the Minutes from last month's meeting? YES or NO

Is there a Motion to accept the Minutes as they were sent by email?

Motion by ___Janice Hartly to accept minutes as sent by email

Motion Seconded by ___Fred Romaine

All in favor say 'Aye'! / All Opposed say 'Nay'!

Approval to post the Minutes has been *ACCEPTED* or *OPPOSED*

CORRESPONDENCE: *None*

REPORT OF PAYMASTER: *Paymaster Jim Maevers* Read and filed for audit. Discussion about funds being moved to an account with Morgan Stanley.

REPORT OF MEMBERS SICK OR IN DISTRESS: *Chaplain Fred Romaine*

Andy Riggle's wife passed away. Prayers and thoughts for the department Chaplain's family whom's grandson passed away. CJ New has taken a turn for the worse

STAFF and COMMITTEE REPORTS: *Commandant Ryan Petras will call for any reports*

Commandant Ryan Petras Public Information Officer: Andy Riggle. If you have updates for the website send them to him. Send him ROI's. In need of the minutes from the adjutant. Sr Vice Eddie Dodson. New Membership cards. MCL Foundation is asking every detachment nationwide for a \$100.00 donation to support their scholarships. The Commandants Corner is open to all. All conferences are recorded on youtube. PLM versus annual membership. Department of MO quorum. There is a process and an app that is being developed to get the Marine Corps League on Google. Vice Commandant (West): Lance Rider Jr Vice Commandant Jason Riemann. Plans to continue to visit with the detachments in the state, and plans to run for Senior Vice in June. Vice Commandant (SW): Fred Romaine. 4 detachments. #993 working well. Preparing for Branson and convention. #1184 14th of April Installation of Officers. #1195 Recruiting and working well. Problems with contacting Tripoli Marines Judge Advocate Lance Rider. Bylaws committee at convention will be taking up quorum question, how will the officers make quorum? Marine Francis carried a brief discussion on the floor. Vice Commandant (Central): Frank Livingston Adjutant Matt White. Will not seek reelection in June. Vice Commandant (NE): Mark Hoernschemeyer. #1405 is dissolving. #1393 and #725 are recruiting well. Paymaster Jim Maevers Vice Commandant (East): Doug Robinson. Report on File all detachments are well. Sgt at Arms Greg Craig Marine for Life Coordinator: Joe Gentile. Son still recovering from the Christmas Eve accident. Helping a Marine he met whom did 3 tours in Iraq and was in need of support, steering in the right direction. Chaplain Fred Romaine. Read off the list of departed comrades in silence. Toys for Tots Coordinator: Kevin Jackson. Making sure everyone is able to participate with TOT. Open floor discussion about building relationships. Auditor 1: Doug Robinson Training Officer: Janice Hartley. Last quarter she conducted 2 professional development classes with low attendance. Also reported on the Eagle Scouts. Auditor 2: Ed Whitthar Young Marines: Auditor 3: Janice Hartley. The Auditors will be auditing the books at the June Convention on Friday Past National Commandant Webb Asst Division Vice Commandant Maevers. Discussion on new Gold PLM Card. Discussion on Presentation from the OKC Nat Convention to Board of Trustees. National Convention 2024 will be in Palms Springs, CA August 12th through 16th. Discussion on how Focus Marine, MCL. Marine4Life can assist Marines. BYLaw approved for ribbon for 100th National Convention. Next spring convention will be in Jefferson City 2024. Guest speakers at MidWinter spoke about the league steering the next generation of young Americans towards the Marine Corps. Midwest Division website if you can not find it contact Jim Maevers. Karen Bulhiest certified instructor of a program called Mental Health First Aid. She would like to have a class in the St. Louis area. \$20.00 per person for a textbook. Saturday or a Sunday. 8 hour course. Discussion on delegates and voting strength for National. Department of Missouri. Discussion on how long a member stays on the roster after

they pass away.

DETACHMENT REPORTS: *Commandant Ryan Petras will call for reports*

Please have your detachments emailed to Dept Commandant, Paymaster, and Adjutant no later than 14 days prior to Quarterly meetings, allowing compilations, and totals reporting. Northwest

Missouri Det # 180 Lake of the Ozarks Det # 1137 South St. Louis Det # 183 Greater Ozarks Det # 1184

St. Louis Det # 184 Sgt Darrell S Cole Det # 1195

Samuel F Gearhart Det # 656 Pvt George Phillips Det # 1214 Report on File JeffCo

Det # 707 Warsaw Leathernecks Det # 1254 St. Charles County Det # 725 Tripoli

Marines Det # 1356

Mizzou Marines Det # 828 Old Drum Det # 1374

Simpson-Hoggat Det # 984 Cpl Richard Scott Haymes Det 1393. Completed the last meat shoot last week finishing winter fundraiser for scholarship fund. April 15 host Scholarship Golf Tournament where scholarships are handed out. 3 this year. April 29th 3rd year Honor your DNA, cleaning veteran headstones. In May detachment starts up annual BBQ's at local Walmart. Currently working on a detachment webpage. Southwest MO Det # 993 Lincoln County Marines Det # 1405 Still surrendering the charter possible time frame is around the Department Convention. Cpl Mason O Yarborough Det # 1081 Poplar Bluff Det # 1473. Report on File.

10-15 MINUTE BREAK ??? Time to be back in Session Good time for a Head Call, and prepare to finish the meeting and prep. Close the Bible – Chaplain

Pause the Meeting - Sergeant at Arms

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

PDC Bill Webb - Dept of Missouri 2023 Convention – Branson – Any Updates?? There is not a speaker for this convention but they are going to roast Sgt ED FOX. 100 years old

Branson, MO - Stone Castle Hotel, June 9-10, 2023

(Dept Website updates to Andy Riggle) New updates are out on the department website.

Is there an Events / Meeting Itinerary yet? \$100.00 for full page ad \$50.00 for a half page ad in the Convention in the Ad book. Still waiting to hear if anyone else wants to go on the Branson Bell dinner cruise please RSVP

Chuck Covert or Hugh Nisbet- Det 1405 Disbanding - Any Updates?? NO

Any Unfinished Business that was missed? NO

NEW BUSINESS:

Fred Romaine – Det 1356 Tripoli Marines Disbanding – Any Updates?? NONE At this time.

Marine Francis #1081 makes motion for the Department of Missouri to take out and ad in the Department Convention Ad Book for \$100.00 seconded by Doug Robinson #183. Marine Francis #1081 makes a motion that the Department of Missouri takes out a full page ad in the National Convention Ad book for \$170.00 seconded by Wendell Webb #1393. The ad will be full color. The design will be done by Mike Lee. Motion passed. Doug Robinson makes a motion the Department donates \$100.00 dollars towards the Marine Corps League Foundation. Seconded Teresa Terry #1137. Motion passed. Paymaster

Maever's makes a motion that we transfer \$5000.00 from our operating account to the Stanley Morgan account. Seconded Marine Chief Spicer #1081. Motion passed. Last year SRVC Dotson brought up the Junior ROTC awards program competition. We covered the bill last year. This year the cost went up and they asked \$1745.63. Detachment #183 has passed the motion to help with \$875.00. SRVC Dotson is asking that other Detachments in the area assist that detachment with the Marine Junior ROTC. They are from Pacific High School. Joe Gentile Private George Phillips detachment #1214 said they will carry the balance. Paymaster Jim Maever's makes a motion to reimburse MCL #183 , \$605.40 for travel expenses associated with the MidWinter Conference. SRVC went in lieu of Dept Commandant Petras. Seconded by Wendell Webb #1393. Motion passed.

Any New Business that needs addressed?

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE:

Wendell Webb. Discussion at the last department meeting about moving all Marines at large in Missouri to a home detachment within the department. Currently there are 56 Marines in good standing. More in bad standing. MCL Nationally is starting to adopt this method. Benefit is all the PLM members in that group the funds would go to the department. PNC Webb has been tasked by the Department of Missouri to forward with a proposal to present at the National Convention.

Commandant Petras – Detachments turning in charters:

“Participation !! Both current detachments that will be turning in their charters are a direct cause of participation. When we have members who are just an annual fee, we should ask ourselves why.

Why are they not invested into the MCL? Why are they not at meetings? Why are they not on Staff? Why are they not at events?

When they are not involved, they will not get involved unless we take action. Are we staying in touch, are we willing to mentor and give direction. Are we asking them to take a leadership role no matter how small the role is? Delegate responsibilities! When we don't do this, the Participation dwindles away. Eventually the detachment will too.

Consider how our detachments can overcome this obstacle. Look to our busy and motivated Detachments and ask them what they do to get and keep members engaged.”

Department Convention Rules read aloud by the Judge Advocate also turn in all MOY/AOY by today.

Department Committee Chairs discussed by Paymaster Jim Maever's. Discussion of elected positions as well as committee chairs.

Marine Francis #1081 Discussion on starting a new detachment and the details that are involved.

#183 Doug Robinson formally announced he is running for Department SRVC in June and #707 Bob Stone is running for Department of MO.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: *HAS ANYTHING BEEN OVERLOOKED THAT NEEDS ATTENTION AT THIS TIME?*
MODD Growl to begin at what time? GROWL to start at 1300.

National Convention 2023 (Oklahoma City, OK)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

JUN 9-10, 2023 DEPT CONVENTION (BRANSON, MO)

AUG 14-18, 2023 NATIONAL CONVENTION (OKLAHOMA CITY)

PROCEED TO THE CLOSING CEREMONY

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COMMANDANT: Sgt of Arms, secure the quarters & satisfy yourself that all present are qualified to be present during the deliberations of this detachment meeting.

SGT OF ARMS: Aye ,Aye ,Sir. The quarters are secure and all present are qualified to remain. (Prospective members to be initiated are to be outside the meeting room)

COMMANDANT: (2 raps of the gavel) All Rise. Sgt of Arms, advance & post the colors and lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

SGT OF ARMS: Aye, Aye, Sir. Hand Salute. "I Pledge Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America....." Ready Two.

COMMANDANT: The Chaplain will lead us in prayer.

CHAPLIN: Uncover. (Chaplin opening prayer) Cover.

COMMANDANT: Sgt of Arms, declare this meeting open for the transaction of official business.

SGT OF ARMS: By the authority of the Commandant of the Dept of Missouri of the Marine Corps League, I declare this meeting open for the transaction of official business.

COMMANDANT: (1 rap of the gavel) Please be seated.

CLOSING CEREMONY ON REVERSE

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COMMANDANT: There be no further business, we will proceed to close. (2 raps of the gavel) Please Rise. UNCOVER. The detachment will stand silent in respect for our deceased members. (Chaplin reads members names) (after moment of silence)

CHAPLIN: (Chaplin's closing prayer)
Cover.

COMMANDANT: Sgt of Arms, Retire the Colors.

SGT OF ARMS: Aye, Aye, Sir. Face the Colors. Hand Salute. Ready Two.

COMMANDANT: Senior Vice Commandant, perform your last duty of your post.

SR. VICE COMMANDANT: Marines & Associates, the Dept of Missouri thanks you for your attendance, and requests you to secure new members, and further, that you favor us at every future meeting with your presence so far as your circumstances will permit.

COMMANDANT: Sgt of Arms, declare this meeting of the Dept of Missouri of the Marine Corps League officially closed.

SGT OF ARMS: By the authority of the Commandant of the Richard Scott Haymes detachment of the Marine Corps League, I declare this

meeting closed until_ (date)_ when it will be reopened for the transaction of official business.

COMMANDANT: (Member to lead us into the Marine Corps Hymn.) **COMMANDANT:** (1 rap of the gavel) Meeting Adjourned.