

Department of West Virginia

Marine Corps League

RITUAL

2022 Department Spring Meeting

Conference Call ~ 22 January 2022

1-(971)224-6585, Conf Code 845974

Department Commandant: Jim Doss

Good morning, Marines. I would like to welcome everyone to this Department Spring conference call in lieu of us attending the Meeting in Princeton. Due to the increased number of COVID cases in WV the Dept BOT canceled the onsite meeting there and we will conduct business during this call. We have modified the Ritual and have streamlined some of the normal procedures. At this time, we will go forward with the salute to the colors and pledge of Alliance to our flag.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

OPENING CEREMONY Time: _____

DEPARTMENT COMMANDANT:

Sergeant at Arms, the colors are posted. Would you lead us in honors and the pledge.

Department Sergeant At Arms:

Aye, aye, sir. - "The colors are posted so would everyone please place your hand over your heart and repeat the pledge after me.

I pledge alliance to the flag of the United States of America, etc, etc.

"ORDER ARMS"

DEPARTMENT COMMANDANT:

The Detachment Chaplain will lead us in prayer.

Department Chaplain: (OPENS THE BIBLE)

“UNCOVER”

Supreme Commandant, we ask thy blessing upon all here assembled. We pray for guidance in our deliberations, and that we here exemplify the principles and purposes of our beloved Marine Corps League. We ask thy protection and blessing for Marines, FMF Corpsmen and FMF Chaplains who have died in the service of their country, and for all our members, both past and present. Grant that the Marine Corps League may grow and prosper in the humane purposes and principles upon which it is founded.

AMEN.

“COVER”

Department Sergeant at Arms:

“Sir Commandant, I make a motion that we drape the Charter in Honor of those MCL members and loved ones we have lost in the past year.”

Department Commandant:

“I have a motion that we Drape the Charter, Is there a second. All those in favor say AYE. The motion carried.

Sgt at Arms, drape the Charter and let us have a moment of silence.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDANT

I would like to welcome all past National officers, past Dept Commandants. And the WV Pack Leader. In addition, I welcome all National Marines of the Year and Kennel Dogs of the Year.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDANT:

The Department Adjutant will please conduct the roll call of Department Officers.

DEPARTMENT ADJUTANT:

Aye-aye, sir. The roll call is:

Commandant: Jim Doss _____

Sr Vice Commandant: Mike Mclain _____

Jr Vice Commandant: Greg Irwin _____

Judge Advocate: Randy Thomas _____

Jr Past Commandant: Scott Kirby _____

Adjutant/Paymaster: Patti Leib _____

Chaplain: Frank Armentrout _____

Sergeant-at-Arms: Shawn Scott _____

Asst Sgt-at-Arms: Allen Miller _____

Chief of Staff: Roger Ware _____

Legislative: Woody Williams _____

VAVS: Roger Estep _____

Historian: Mike Lynon _____

Public Relations: Jean Lamb _____

Aide-de-Camp Larry Goff _____

Aide-de-Camp Richard Sneigle _____

Web Sergeant: Steve Swenton _____

Adjutant : Sir Commandant , with your permission I will conduct the roll call of détachements :

DETACHMENTS : Commandants, Please give me the number of members from your Det on this call :

Hicks-Hamrick (339), Richwood _____

Huntington (340), Huntington _____

Earl Anderson (342), Morgantown _____

Danny M. Greene (577), Logan _____

Jones-Wolin-O'Brien (771), Wheeling _____

Herbert J. Thomas (947), S. Charleston _____

Leland D. Crow Crawford,(956), Elkins _____

Mountaineer Marine (957), Princeton _____

Cpl Walter L. Mann (1065), Ravenswood _____

Wood County (1087), Parkersburg _____

Eastern Panhandle (1143), Martinsburg _____

MGM (1180), Pt. Pleasant _____

SGT. Mecot Camara (1461), Beckley _____

Cpl William B. Fulks (1474) Hurricane _____

Total: _____

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

DEPARTMENT COMMANDANT:

Department Adjutant since you have already posted the past department meeting minutes on line, I would ask if anyone needs to ask any questions. If not we will accept as written

CORRESPONDENCE

DEPARTMENT COMMANDANT:

Department Adjutant, do we have any correspondence for the department?

REPORT OF THE PAYMASTER

DEPARTMENT COMMANDANT:

Department Paymaster, will you give the paymaster's report?

PAYMASTER:

Aye, aye, sir. I have submitted these on line to all dept officers and detachment commandants.

GENERAL ACCOUNT:

Balance forward: \$ 20,623.48

Income: \$ 601.00

Expenses: \$ 2,334.10

Total carried forward: \$ 18,890.38

SCHOLARSHIP:

Balance forward: \$ 24,323.58

Deposits \$ 2,700.00

Interest received \$ 23.78

Expenses: \$ 0.00

Total carried forward \$ 26,347.36

DEPARTMENT COMMANDANT:

Any questions or corrections to the Paymaster's report?

Corrections: _____

Call for a motion only if there is a dispute over a correction. If there are no (further) corrections Paymaster's Report is approved as distributed/corrected.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDANT:

Department Chaplain, did we have any deceased members in this last quarter? If so, would you please read the list of names?

DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN:

 X Yes, we did. _____ No, we did not. (10 Reported this quarter with NODs)

Deceased members are: Dexter Owsley Det 947, Jose Reyes-Torres Det 1143 ; Marshall

Bonecutter Det 1180, Joseph Marshal Det 342, Thomas Sawyer Det 957, Harold Cosner Det 956,

Charles Ranew Det 956, Jack Ellis Det 956, Michael Doyle Det 956, John Nanny Det 771,

Ed Westfall, Det 1087

DEPARTMENT COMMANDANT:

Are there any members sick or in distress? **Yes**

Reported members are: _____

REPORT OF OFFICERS We will only have those that are necessary

DEPARTMENT COMMANDANT: All submitted with Adjutant to report

Senior Vice Commandant's report:

Junior Vice Commandant's report:

Judge Advocate's report:

Junior Past Commandant's report:

Adjutant report: report required – PLM : 411 Paid : 308 Total : 719 Unpaid : 68

Chief of Staff report: received

Legislative Officer's report:

VAVS Officer's report:

Historical Officer's report:

Web Sergeant's report:

REPORT OF DETACHMENTS All submitted

DEPARTMENT COMMANDANT:

We will dispense with the reading of your reports unless you have something significant to report which will benefit the other detachments. We will have your respond to the selected questions we sent in advance to you.

Report of Detachments

Hicks-Hamrick (339), Richwood - received

Huntington (340), Huntington

Earl Anderson (342), Morgantown

Danny M. Greene (577), Logan

Jones-Wolin-O'Brien (771), Wheeling

Herbert J. Thomas (947), S. Charleston

Leland D. Crow Crawford (956), Elkins - received

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STANDING COMMITTEES

Convention: Mike McLain

Time & Place: Mike McLain

Credentials: Mike McLain

Rules: Randy Thomas

Nominating: Mike McLain

Bylaws & Admin: Randy Thomas List those that have been submitted

Resolution Randy Thomas

Uniform: Randy Thomas

Budget & Finance: Patti Leib

Audit: George Gill

Awards: Rick Shank

Scholarship: George Gill

Membership & Retention : Gregory Irwin

Marine for Life: Mike Lynon

Professional Development: Rick Shank

Marine of the Year: Greg Irwin

Associate Member of the Year : Greg Irwin

Legislative : Woody Williams

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Boy Scouts Fred Brunner

Toys for Tots (January only) Roger Ware

Young Marines Steve Swenton

Fire Team Rick Shank

Dept Convention – Mike Mclain

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Membership – Snapshot page - IRS 990 N efile: Some are on the calendar year vice fiscal year, national wants everyone to be on the fiscal year. As the Parent Company, National must file IRS form 1128 to change to fiscal year for any Detachment that is not on a July to June fiscal year.

NEW BUSINESS

Use National web site for all administrative forms – COS Roger Ware will report

2022 Department of WV Convention – Gallipolis, OH – 1180 staff (– **Jerry Bain will provide an update on progress and needs**)

2022 Department BL and AP deadline for submission – Randy Doc Thomas will report

2026 National Convention in Charleston – initial info for discussion Mike Mclain

Pistol raffle for fund raiser – Scott Kirby will report

Department Officer Nominations submitted to Dept Sr Vice Mike McLain

Department Scholarship deadline March 15 – George Gill

Department awards submission deadline March 30 Submit to Rick Shank

Department MOY and Associate MOY nominations deadline March 1 Submit to Greg Irwin

Detachment awards to members

Department 50th anniversary ribbon and mini medal, challenge coin voting on any that were submitted.

Kentucky tornado disaster – funds requested have been returned (Patti Leib)

Donation: \$200 Chapel of Four Chaplains suggested

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2022 MCL Midwinter Staff Conference is February 23– 27 2022, Norfolk, VA

2022 Modern Day Marine Expo will be 10 – 12 May 2022 at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center in Washington, DC

2022 Department of West Virginia Convention will be May 20-21 in Gallipolis, OH

2022 MCL National Convention will be August 15-20, 2022, in Daytona Beach, FL

CLOSING CEREMONY

DEPARTMENT COMMANDANT:

There being no further business, we will proceed to close.

(Rap the gavel TWICE).

DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN: (*without hesitation* following the raps of the gavel)

Please join me in a moment of silent prayer. (15 Seconds)

Amen.

COMMANDANT:

Sergeant-at-Arms, retire the colors.

DEPARTMENT SERGEANT AT ARMS:

Sir Commandant, the colors are posted, would everyone place their hand over their heart as we retire the colors/

DEPARTMENT SERGEANT AT ARMS:

Sir Commandant, the colors are retired.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDANT:

The Department Chaplain will lead us in prayer.

DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN:

Aye, aye, sir. "UNCOVER".

Supreme Commandant, we humbly beseech Thee to bless what good we have accomplished and forgive that which we have done amiss. As we separate to go our several ways, we commit ourselves to thy loving care. AMEN.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDANT:

Department Senior Vice Commandant, perform the last duty of your post.

DEPARTMENT SENIOR VICE COMMANDANT:

Marines, the Department of West Virginia thanks you for your attendance, and requests you secure new members and further that you favor us at every future meeting with your presence, so far as your circumstances will permit.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDANT:

Sergeant-at-Arms, declare this meeting of the Department of West Virginia, Marine Corps League, officially closed.

DEPARTMENT SERGEANT-AT-ARMS:

By the authority of the Commandant of the Department of West Virginia, Marine Corps League, I declare this meeting officially closed until 10 a.m. May 21, 2022 when it will be re-opened for the transaction of official business at the Quality Inn, Gallipolis, Ohio.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDANT: (Rap the gavel TWICE)

The meeting is adjourned. I thank everyone for being on this call. Stay safe and I look forward to seeing you in Gallipolis, OH for the Dept convention.

Closing Time : _____