

Marine Corps League

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Detachment 1262

VFW Post 2057, NC Hwy 97

Rocky Mount, NC

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Opening Ceremony:

At 1900 Commandant Dave Sannes instructed Sergeant at Arms, Claude Battle to secure the quarters. Charles Minton quickly instructs members we will no longer salute during the pledge of allegiance, rather uncover with cover held over the heart. Posting of the colors and Pledge of Allegiance led by Sergeant at Arms, Claude Battle.

Bible was opened and opening prayer was read by Acting Chaplain William Blackman.

Meeting was declared open for business by Sergeant at Arms, Claude Battle.

Roll Call of Officers:

All present except: Chaplain Melvin Wolf-excused, Jr. Past Commandant Rick Thomason-excused, National Web Sergeant Lori Sannes – excused, Jr. Vice Commandant Rick Ferguson-excused.

Visiting Guests:

Dept. Jr Past Commandant and worthy pack leader Charles Minton , and District Vice Commandant Mike Black. Also welcomed Scott Wilson the newest detachment member.

Induction of New Members:

None

Correspondence:

No Correspondence to report. Dave Sannes apologizes for not forwarding Department Emails.

Old Business:

Commandant Dave Sannes mentions the detachment is short an adjutant, asking for a volunteer. Minutes will be produced by Dave Sannes or Lori Sannes in the interim.

Paymaster Report:

Larry waiting on totals of UBW event from Dave Sannes, so the event proceeds will not be accounted for in the report tonight. After a short discussion, the Paymaster report was postponed.

Sickbay Report:

Acting Chaplain William Blackman stated there were no reports at this time. William mentioned that he had spoken to Mel about attending the meeting, Mel said he would be present. William voiced concern that Mel was not present. Dave indicated that Rick Ferguson had called saying he fell, hurt himself, and would not be present.

Officers Report:

Sr Vice stated the Dept. Growl he attended was great, Everyone there had a good time.

Jr. Vice: Absent

Judge Advocate – SGT at Arms: None

Chaplain: Absent

Commandant – Agrees with Joe about weekend in Raleigh. Dave asks if members would entertain using the Mid-East Conference as the next scheduled meeting. After discussion the idea was vetoed.

New Business

Dave Sannes uses the UBW Event to again ask member to take future One Calls that ask for RSVP's seriously and respond. Dave mentions he has just handed over \$1,145.00 to Larry from the event. Taking out expenses and taking into account product returns, we made in excess of \$650. Not great but we learned a few lessons that will help at future events for growth.

Judge Advocate Pat Milligan has called forward to instruct on league ribbons and to present color guard ribbons. Spoke of 8 basic ribbons we earn at the detachment level. Mentioned Membership Ribbon has been back ordered for a month. Information provided included unit awards, multiple award devices. Color Gard Ribbons were awarded to Charles Minton, Mel Wolfe (absent), Joe Pisarik, William Blackman, Mark Withrow (absent), and Dave Sannes.

Toys for Tots – Dave accepts coordinator position but will go forward only in members present committ tonight to support the program. Halifax is ready to become their own campaign. Pat Milligan expressed concern about history of support. Edgcombe Counting was discussed. David Evans did serious damage there and Dave did not feel they would welcome us back. Charles encouraged us to attempt to reconcile. Talked about sending a member other than Dave to the conference.

Speakers- William Blackman recommends individual members bring forth recommendations of people they personally feel would be of interest to the league. Dave named topics and gave suggestions.

Good of the League:

Charles Minton explains Department needs a trailer. Department is asking each detachment to donate \$75 toward this purchase. Charles made a motion that the detachment donate \$75 for this cause. Larry Hill seconds the motion. Discussion complete, vote taken, motion passed.

Charles talked about the success of the Department Convention. Promoted attendance to future opportunities beyond department meetings. William Blackman spoke of his experience at the conference and encouraged others to attend. Joe Pisarik agreed with all that William stated. Joe mentioned the extra programs about the Munford Point Marines and the fact that some were there.

Dave Sannes relates how he enjoys now seeing Marines he has gotten know just through the conferences.

Dave Sannes presents Sergeant at Arms Claude Battle a streamer for Detachment Flag. 100% Attendance.

Closing Ceremony:

Sergeant at Arms Claude Battle retires colors.

Acting Chaplain William Blackman reads closing prayer

Sr Vice Joe Pisarik reads closing statement.

Charles Minton encourages participation at Castalia on Saturday July 1st. Joe Pisarik opens his home for a 4th of July Celebration the evening of Saturday 1 July.

Sergeant at Arms declares meeting officially closed until Thursday, July 6th.