

# **Marine Corps League**

## **Department of North Carolina**



## **Department Convention**

### **Minutes**

**7 June – 9 June 2019**

Hosted by: Onslow County Detachment #262

Host Commandant: Lee Walker

Presided by: Commandant Jeffrey Jones  
Department of North Carolina  
Marine Corps League

Meeting start time: 0830

Meeting Location: Hilton Garden Inn

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**1. Opening Remarks by Dept. Commandant Jeffrey Jones 0830**

- Welcome all members and guests to the DoNC's 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention & special thanks to the Onslow County Detachment for organizing it.
- This meeting is dedicated in the memory of all North Carolina Marine Corps League Members who answered the final call over the past year.
- Colors presented by the New River Young Marines
- National Anthem sung by Major General Arnold Fields
- Pledge of Allegiance – Sgt-at-Arms – Ralph Farthing
- Open Bible and Invocation – Chaplain Jason Hall [Uncover]
- Presentation of Certificate of Appreciation
  - New River Young Marines
  - Hilton Garden Inn
  - Lisa Murabito

**2. Recognition of other Guests by the Host Detachment**

- Jacksonville Mayor Sammy Phillips with Proclamation of Marine Corps League Week June 2 – 8, 2019.
- Onslow County Commissioner Royce Bennett with Proclamation of Marine Corps League Week June 2 – 8, 2019.
- Major General Arnold Fields and Master Sargent Sampson with Vietnam Veterans 50th Commemoration
  - The commemoration exists to say Thank You to those who served during the Vietnam War era from 1 Nov 1955 to 15 May 1975.
  - 2008 congress established the Commemoration until 2025. It is a temporary government agency.
  - President Obama gave the first Proclamation on May 28, 2012.
  - Presentation is to be done in public for public recognition of service.
  - March 29<sup>th</sup> is Vietnam War Veterans Day
  - MajGen Fields sang the 2<sup>nd</sup> verse of America the Beautiful.
- Guest speaker – LtCol Scott Meredith, Marine Corps Warrior Recovery Care Service, Wounded Warrior Battalion

- Wounded Warrior Regiment has 2 battalions – Lejeune and Pendleton.
- Approximately 450 Marines are with the Regiment; approximately 475 Marines are with their parent unit.
- The overall approach is a relationship.
- Carey Hawkins – Semper Fi Fund case manager at Camp Lejeune
  - It was started in 2004 by 5 Marine wives in Camp Pendleton were making care bags for the hospital, with 6 to 7 percent overhead.
  - This last year they were able to help with hurricane recovery from a huge donation. They helped 276 Marines.
  - They are mostly volunteers, with very few staff throughout the nation.
- Welcome remarks & thanks from the Host Detachment Commandant, Lee Walker of the Onslow County Detachment #262

### **3. Recognition of National Officers**

- National Marine of the Year 2006 & Navy Cross recipient - Joe Blick (absent)
- Mideast Division Vice Commandant – Bruce Rakfeldt
- Mideast Division Marine of the Year 2018 – Rick Thomason
- National & MED Boy Scouts Committee & MED Sgt at Arms - Charles Minton
- National Youth Physical Fitness Chairman - Devell (Bull) Durham (absent)
- M.O.D.D. Kennel Dog of the Year – Rick Thomason
- National Assistant Sgt At Arms – Ken Parker
- National Assistant Sgt At Arms – Rick Thomason
- National Historian – Greg Ciesielski
- National Marine 4 Life – Mark Munger

### **4. Recognition of the Department Marine/Woman of the Year**

- 2018 Department Marine of the Year – Glenn Perkins (Gen Raymond G Davis Det #1162)

- 2018 Department Woman of the Year – Gwen Perkins (Gen Raymond G Davis Det #1162) (absent)
- Ask all past MOY & WOY Recipients to stand and be recognized

## 5. Recognition of Past Department Commandants

- Jr. Past Department Commandant Charles Minton
- Ask all the Past Department Commandants to stand and be recognized.

## 6. Recognition of Guests with Invitation to address the membership

- Mideast Division National Vice Commandant Bruce Rakfeldt
  - Welcome as a ‘family reunion’ & thank you to the host detachment.
  - He has visited 3 of the 4 Departments
  - There is new leadership in most of the Departments.
  - MED Conference is June 21-23 in Princeton, VA.
- Past Mideast Division Vice Commandant – Mike McLain (no report)
- Kennel Executive Director – PDD Leanna Dietrich
- Past Mideast Division Vice Commandant – Jim Tant
  - 96<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the MCL
  - In Burlington, a Marines commendation was read in the Good of the League. This should be more front and center.
  - Had Dave Crumpton read PFC Joe Blick and Cpl Jason L. Dunham commendations of medals.
  - (slide presentation of the first MCL National meeting)
  - 2020 is the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Department of North Carolina. We are in good shape. He has been a member for 35 years and started as the Department Adjutant/Paymaster. (He gave some history of a few members who helped to grow the Department.)
  - God and Country Award presented to Jeffrey Jones and Charles Minton by Dennis Brockman. They also received NCO Sword with a wall mount.
- SgtMaj Thresher – 2nd MEF, Carolina MAGTAF. Continue to reach out to those sheltered Marines and be their voice.

- MODD NC Pack Worthy Pack Leader –PDD Charles Minton
  - There were 55 dogs at the growl last night. 419 pounds of dog/cat food was collected to be given to a shelter here in Jacksonville.
  - Winston Salem area dogs get with him this afternoon to start a new pound.
- MCL Auxiliary Mideast Vice President – Pat Walker
  - The Auxiliary worked hard to put the hospitality room together.
  - It is the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Vietnam Memorial.

7. **Chapel of Four Chaplains Presentation**

- Jeremy Barton read through the presentation ceremony.
- Presentations to:
  - Ken Parker – Legion of Honor Award
  - Thomas Bates – Legion of Honor Award

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

**Meeting called to order - 1041**

8. **Roll Call of Department Officers**

(By the Adjutant– “When called, each Officer shall rise and salute the Commandant.”)

- Commandant – Jeffrey Jones
- Sr. Vice Commandant – Rick Thomason
- Jr. Vice Commandant – Keith Shearin
- Judge Advocate – Denny Mathias
- Jr. Past Commandant – Charles Minton
- Aide-De-Camp- John Dilday
- Chaplain – Bill Boyd (absent)
- Assistant Chaplain – Jason Hall
- Sgt.-at-Arms - Ralph Farthing

- Paymaster – Randal Rempfer
- Young Marines Service Officer – Jeff Petway
- Assistant Young Marines Service Officer – Ryan Siemer
- Toys For Tots Coordinator– Larry Hill
- VAVS Service Officer – Ken Parker
- Legislative Officer – Phil Randall (absent)
- Assistant Legislative Officer – Thomas Bates
- Bylaws Committee Chairman – Lisa Ciesielski
- Eagle Scout Coordinator – Charles Minton
- Assistant Eagle Scout Coordinator – Karen Barton
- Marine For Life Liaison – Todd Abbott
- Adjutant – Laura Hamilton
- Web Sergeant – Robbie Savage (absent)
- Public Relations – Tim Manchester
- Assistant Adjutant– VACANT
- Historian - Greg Ciesielski
- Chapel of Four Chaplains – Jeremy Barton

9. **District Vice Commandants**

(By the Adjutant – “When called, each DVC shall rise and salute the Commandant.”)

A. **NC West DVC’s**

- West District – Ric Ledford
- Northwest District – Chuck Wright
- Midwest District – Glenn Perkins
- Northcentral District –Chuck Stotz
- Central District – John Dilday
- Southcentral – Denny Mathias

B. **NC East DVC’s**

- North District – John Staley
- Northeast District – Mike Black (absent)
- South District – Howard Boyd
- Southeast District – Lee Walker
- East District – Steve Tracy

**10. Roll Call of Detachments**

(By the Adjutant – “Per our Department Bylaws, a Convention quorum is met by having at least one Delegate from the majority of our Detachments present. As your Detachment is called, a Delegate shall rise, salute the Commandant, state they are a Delegate then state the number of members present.”)

1. John V. Berg Detachment #257 (Kinston)
2. Greater Greensboro Detachment #260 (Greensboro)
3. Onslow County Detachment #262 (Jacksonville)
4. Tar Heel Detachment #733 (Raleigh)
5. Charlotte Detachment #750 (Charlotte)
6. Blue Ridge Detachment #848 (Asheville)
7. PFC Charles D. Hare Detachment #914 (Monroe) (absent)
8. Smoky Mountain Detachment #973 (Franklin) (absent)
9. Shawn Knisley Detachment #983 (Fayetteville)
10. Sand Hills Area Detachment #1001 (Aberdeen) (absent)
11. Paul Ray Purgason Detachment #1005 (Shallotte)
12. Cherokee County Detachment #1011 (Murphy)
13. Stanly County Detachment #1021 (Albemarle) (absent)
14. Carolina Boarders Detachment #1036 (Calabash) (absent)
15. Cherry Point Detachment #1067 (Havelock)
16. Cape Fear Detachment #1070 (Wilmington)
17. Percy John Fulton Detachment #1075 (Winston-Salem)
18. Gen. A Hal Turnage Detachment #1096 (Salisbury)
19. Iredell County Detachment #1097 (Troutman)
20. Gen. Raymond G. Davis Detachment #1162 (Gastonia)
21. Catawba Valley Detachment #1163 (Hickory)
22. NC Foothills Detachment #1164 (Shelby) (absent)
23. Cpl. Johnny A. Williamson Detachment #1165 (Asheboro)  
(absent)
24. Cabarrus Detachment #1175 (Concord) (absent)
25. Sgt WE Plueddemann Detachment #1186 (Greenville) (absent)
26. Brushy Mountain Detachment #1187 (North Wilkesboro) (absent)
27. PFC. Terry C. Smith Detachment #1193 (High Point) (absent)
28. Table Rock Detachment #1197 (Morganton)

29. LCpl. Alan D. Lam Detachment #1209 (Burlington)
30. Cpl. Chris S. Ebert Detachment #1221 (Spindale) (absent)
31. Sgt. Doug Myers Detachment #1222 (Sylvia) (absent)
32. Sanford Detachment #1223 (Sanford) (absent)
33. PFC. Jerry L. McKinney Detachment #1232 (Wentworth) (absent)
34. Carry-On Detachment #1236 (Clayton)
35. PFC. Bruce Larson Detachment #1242 (Huntersville)
36. Richmond Leathernecks Detachment #1252 (Rockingham)  
(absent)
37. Air, Land, NC Detachment #1257 (Wake Forest)
38. Cpl. Suzi Sannes Detachment #1262 (Rocky Mount)
39. Outer Banks Detachment #1264 (Kitty Hawk)
40. Capt. Jeb F. Seagle Detachment #1265 (Lincolnton)
41. Mt. Mitchell Detachment #1266 (Spruce Pines) (absent)
42. Gold Leaf Detachment #1276 (Wilson)
43. Orange County Regulators Detachment #1292 (Hillsborough)  
(absent)
44. Walter Frank Osborne Jr. Detachment #1298 (Sparta)
45. Northwest Triad Detachment #1314 (Stokesdale)
46. Mountaineer Detachment #1320 (Watauga)
47. Hampstead Detachment #1321 (Pender)
48. Surry County Detachment #1322 (Surry)
49. Crossed Rifles Detachment #1346 (Harnett) (absent)
50. Waynesborough Detachment #1350 (Wayne)
51. High Country Detachment #1389 (Ashe)
52. Swansboro Detachment #1407 (Swansboro)
53. Oriental Dragon Detachment #1413 (Oriental)
54. Asheville Detachment #1417 (Asheville)

**11. Adjutant's Report**

("The minutes from the Spring Membership meeting are 24 pages long. These are available for downloading from the Department Website. In the interest of time, I would like to request waiving the reading of the minutes and will gladly accept any corrections you may have concerning them.")

- The most current version of the minutes is posted on the website.



- The Detachment Quarterly Reports attached to the email announcements for the Quarterly meetings are the most up-to-date versions to be completed. Please do not use older versions as information may have changed from the last version sent.
- Quarterly Reports now have a question about the number of funerals your detachment has participated in some form.
- If you would like to receive emails from me directly, besides through your detachment commandant or adjutant, please get me your Name, Email, Detachment #, and Phone # so I can add you to my email group.
- Detachment commandants and adjutants – if you are not getting my emails please check your spam filter and make sure the addresses are in your contact list to come through. The alternative email address has changed to doncmcla@gmail.com with the primary remaining as adjutant@ncmcl.org .
- Please make sure a copy of your latest ROI is sent to the Adjutant as well as the Paymaster (who gets the original signed hardcopy).
- An Excel spreadsheet titled “2019 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.
- Use the current forms emailed to you as data requested changes.

*Commandant Jones, asks for a motion to waive reading and approval of the minutes*

*Ken Parker made the motion to waive the reading and approve the minutes. Second by John Irwin. Approved by members present.*

## **12. Paymaster’s Report – Randal Rempfer**

- Report through May 31<sup>st</sup>

Paymaster Report  
06/01/2018 – 05/31/2019

- Cash brought forward 03/31/2019
  - Checking ..... \$ 58,044.18
  - Money Market ..... \$ 9,188.50
  - Total ..... \$67,232.68
  
- Deposits made for the time period
  - Checking ..... \$ 7,255.14
  - Money Market ..... \$ 0.46
  - Total ..... \$ 7,255.60
  
- Cash disbursed for the time period
  - Checking ..... \$ 12,359.04
  - Money Market ..... \$ 0.00
  - Total ..... \$ 12,359.04
  
- Balance as of 05/31/2019
  - Checking ..... \$ 52,940.28
  - Money Market ..... \$ 9,188.96
  - Total ..... **\$ 62,129.24**

MCL, Department of North Carolina  
 Profit & Loss Budget Overview  
 Fiscal Year 2018/2019

	Jun '18 - May 19	Actual '18-'19	
<b>Income</b>			
Investments			
Money Market	2.00	2.76	
Total Investments	2.00	2.76	
<b>Other Types of Income</b>			
Fundraising Revenue	20000	30237.06	
2019 Calendar Raffle			17370.00
Challenge Coins			40.00
Compat Wounded Vet Signs			559.45
Gun Raffle - Ruger Rifle			12267.61
Total Other Types of Income	20000.00	30237.06	
<b>Program Income</b>			
Humanitarian/Disaster Relief		20808.78	
Cmrdt Overage Reimbursement			
Life Member Interest Rebate	?	2207.64	*Based on amount received last year
Membership Dues	5250	5825.00	*Based on 1050 paid memberships
Total Program Income	5250.00	28841.42	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>25252.00</b>	<b>59081.24</b>	<b>33829.24</b> Above Budget
<b>Expense</b>			
Advertising	500	0.00	*Convention Ad Books
<b>Department Officer's Expenses</b>			
Adjutant Expenses	600	597.44	2.56
Chaplain Expenses	500	0.00	500.00
Commandant's Expenses	3540.25	2647.34	892.91
<b>DVC Expenses</b>			
Central	400	400.00	0.00
East	400	0.00	400.00
Mid West	400	0.00	400.00
North	400	188.48	213.52
North Central	400	400.00	0.00
North East	400	0.00	400.00
Northwest	400	400.00	0.00
South	400	384.80	15.20
South Central	400	400.00	0.00
South East	400	39.48	360.52
West	400	322.67	77.33
Total DVC Expenses	4400.00	2533.43	
Jr. Vice Commandant's Expenses	600.00	497.14	102.86
Judge Advocate Expenses	600.00	600.00	0.00
<b>Paymaster Expenses</b>			
Postage, Mailing Service	400.00	232.00	168.00 *
Printing and Copying	25.00	110.47	(85.47) *
Supplies	100.00	97.12	2.88 *
Paymaster Expenses - Other	300.00	404.97	(104.97) *
Total Paymaster Expenses	825.00	844.56	*Calendar Raffle Expense
Sr. Vice Commandant's Expenses	600.00	600.00	0.00
<b>Total Department Officer's Expenses</b>	<b>11665.25</b>	<b>8319.91</b>	
<b>Meetings Expenses</b>			
Mid-East Divison Host	100.00	0.00	
Mid-East Divison Conference	0.00	0.00	*Hosting Expenses
Convention/Membership Mtg.	100.00	71.82	*Guest Speaker Hotel Room
Host Detachment Allowance	600.00	600.00	
Total Meetings Expenses	800.00	671.82	
<b>Operations</b>			
Bank Fees	0.00	0.00	
Books, Subscriptions, Reference	100.00	39.99	*Legal Rocket
Multi-Media Expense	100.00	13.95	*Multi-Media Adaptor
Web Site Expenses	100.00	0.00	
Total Operations	300.00	53.94	
<b>Other Types of Expenses</b>			
Humanitarian Fund/Disaster Relief	1000.00	2500.00	
2018 Hurricane Relief	0.00	11919.39	500.00 Sue Radcliff
2019 Calendar Winners	8500.00	3850.00	2000.00 Jeremy Tank
Awards	400.00	353.18	(Promissary Note: Payback by 09/2020)
MidEast Conference Expense	0.00	550.57	8899.39 Balance Available
Combat Veteran Sign Purchase	0.00	450.00	13520.00 Balance to Date
Fundraiser Expense (Purchased Items)	0.00	1945.00	
Wreaths Across America	1000.00	1000.00	
Gunny Clause	1000.00	0.00	109.45 Balance to Date
New Detachment Allowance	200.00	0.00	10322.61 Balance at Completion
NC Veterans Council	150.00	0.00	
Total Other Types of Expenses	11250.00	22568.12	
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>24515.25</b>	<b>31613.79</b>	
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>736.75</b>	<b>27467.45</b>	

- ALL Paymasters must have an email. National is only using digital responses now.
- Ask for motion to accept the Paymaster’s report as given, subject to audit.
  - Chuck Wright made the motion to accept the report subject to audit. Second by Greg Ciesielski. Approved by members present.

**13. Chaplain’s Report – Jason Hall**

- Report of any member or member’s family known to be sick or in distress.

Sickness and Distress:

Pound 210 Dog Robber PDD Mike Black has recently undergone heart surgery and is recovering well but is unable to attend the Convention this weekend. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers for a speedy recovery.

- Report of any deceased MCL member within the last quarter.

The following Marine Corps League members in the Department of North Carolina have been reported to have answered their final Earthly Roll Call since our last meeting:

Clarence M. Lott	Cabarrus Det. 1175	4/13/2019
Lenaro J. Clark	Swansboro Det 1407	3/18/2019
John J. Dozier	Outer Banks Det 1264	6/2/2019
Todd Carter	Iredell County Det1097	2/3/2019

- Please pause for a moment of silence for our fallen Marines.

**14. D.V.C.’s - Report of Officers – (skipped the reading of reports at the convention)**

**A. NC West DVC’s**

- West District – Ric Ledford
  - I have visited with 848(x2), 973, 1011(x2) and 1417(home Detachment).

- I observed the officer elections for 848, 1011 and 1417. I also performed the Officer Installations for all three of these Detachments.
- I have no response or contact with any active members of 1222. The former Paymaster has not returned any phone calls. Within the next quarter I will get in touch with the acting Commandant and make arrangements for the surrender of the Charter and all properties and money held by the Detachment.
- I represented the Dept of North Carolina at 2 Memorial Day ceremonies.
- One at the State Veteran's Cemetery in Black Mtn., NC. I sang the National Anthem and Amazing Grace during the dove release.
- At the ceremony held in Asheville, NC that afternoon I sang the National Anthem and played TAPS following the 3:00pm moment of silence.
- Northwest District – Chuck Wright
- Midwest District – Glenn Perkins
- Northcentral District – Chuck Stotz
  - I have had the pleasure of visiting all of the detachments in the NorthCentral District either at a regular meeting or by visiting special events conducted by the detachment during this past quarter. I attended the annual Golf Tournament for Detachment 1165. It was a grand success raising \$3800 for designated charitable offerings. On June 1st I had the privilege of attending my first Mud Run conducted by Detachment 1075. Though the final figures were not in as of this report past events have raised more than \$25,000. It was awesome to see the work put into this effort and the numbers of runners involved (including many of our Department leaders – “The Mud Turtles). I am not sure I could have survived such a course when I was a boot.
  - I conducted the Instillation of Officers for Detachment 1322 and will upon my return from this convention conduct the Instillation of Officers for Detachment 260. All of the Detachments in the NorthCentral District continue to support Marines, their families, other service veterans as well as local charitable organizations. We raise the flag and honor the dead

on national veteran holidays and through the Wreaths Across America program. We still remain the best kept secret in our communities.

- Over this fiscal year the NorthCentral District has inducted 25 new members. I hope we can meet or surpass this number next year,
- It has been my honor to serve as district vice commandant this past year and look forward to continuing my service in the coming year.

- Central District – John Dilday

- As District Vice Commandant I have attended 90% of all the five Detachment events that have been held. This has caused me to travel over 5500 miles over the past year. It has truly been a great joy to work with each of these Detachments in the Central District. I had the honor to be the installing officer for two Detachments and assisted in one other.
- Events that have been held by these Detachments include:
  - Parades, including Christmas and Veterans Day
  - Family Dinners
  - Helping at Food Kitchens
  - Picnics and entertainment to attract potential Marines for membership
  - Memorial Day Ceremonies
  - Placing of flags cemetarys on Memorial Day
  - Toys for Tots Drives with Banquets to recognize volunteers
  - Eagle Scout Court of Honor presentations
  - Honor Guards at Funeral Services
- Ways that have helped in fundraising:
  - Belks Dollar Days
  - Pancake Breakfast
  - Raffles
- Ways to promote self in community:
  - Sponsor Youth Sports Teams
  - Becoming members in the local Chamber of Commerce
  - Assigned trash pick-up routes
  - Using resources of promotion company
  - Facebook
  - Websites

- As with most organizations it has been challenging to attract younger Marines to the Detachments but each are trying to make themselves visible to keep their name in the spotlight. Positive attitudes and camaraderie are big selling points each of us must show to make sure that a potential new member can see what's in it for them
- I have thoroughly enjoyed being a small part of each of these Detachments and I look forward to being associated with them again in the next year.

- Southcentral – Denny Mathias

- Detachments visited/contacted during this reporting period:
  - a. 750 Charlotte
  - b. 914 Pfc. Charles Hare – Monroe
  - c. 1021 Stanly County - Albemarle
  - d. 1175 Cabarrus County - Concord
  - e. 1242 Pfc. Bruce Larson – Huntersville

Detachment #	Total Life,Reg & Assoc mbrs	Total unpaid mbrs	Total % unpaid
750 Charlotte	94	7	9.6% *
914 PFC C D Hare	16	0	0.0% *
1021 Stanly Co	41	1	2.4% *
1175 Cabarrus	44	1	2.3% *
1242 PFC B Larson	46	0	0.0% *
District Total	241	9	0.5%

- What are you doing to assist these Detachments to gain a total membership of 20 or more members? The PFC Charles D Hare Detachment 914 in Monroe has maintained its 19 membership count; up from 16 last quarter. We are keeping visible at community events and seeking out Marines when the occasion arises.
- Special District projects you are involved in at this time: I am chairing the 2020 Committee to plan the 2020 Spring Meeting and the 2020 Convention in Charlotte. Both the Charlotte and PFC Bruce Larson Detachments will host both events.
- New Detachment Recruiting Efforts: None during the past quarter.
- Suggestions for the ‘Good of the League’ as a result of your DVC activities: This repeats the last report, but I will continue to emphasize the need for at least one elected officer attend

each Department meeting and that all elected officers attend at least one Department meeting each year. A discussion should be had at the next staff meeting whether this should be a policy to be added to the Department Bylaws.

- Detachments deserving special recognition in your District and reasons why: Pfc Bruce Larson Det (Huntersville) conducted two, single-day bucket brigade yielding \$7634. A 5-hour effort yields over \$3800, making it more revenue-effective than any raffle. They are planning four bucket brigades for 2019. Two detachments lead the District with an average of 26.6 volunteer hours per member (PFC Charles D Hare – Monroe) and 20.2 volunteer hours per member (Stanly County – Albemarle).

**B. NC East DVC's**

- North District – John Staley

- Detachments visited/contacted during this reporting period: 5

Detachment #	Ttl Reg & Assoc mbrs	Ttl unpaid mbrs	Ttl % unpaid
733	74	11	14.8%
1209	36	6	16.7%
1232	29	4	13.8%
1236	44	1	2.2%
1257	48	19	39.6%
1292	11	1	9.1%

- How many Detachments are in your District? 6
- How many of these Detachments were represented at the last Quarterly meeting? 6
- Special District projects you are involved in at this time:  
Installation ceremony of Carry On Detachment #1236 officers.  
Installation of Tar Heel Detachment #733 in March.
- Suggestions for the ‘Good of the League’ as a result of your DVC activities: Detachments could publish an item in local newspaper or tv each month to publicize MCL and local detachment and its accomplishments.
- Detachments deserving special recognition in your District and reasons why: All detachments continue to do noteworthy accomplishments; one is working with members to become more active both in MCL and local community All detachments have supported Memorial Day activities; 3 led ceremonies for their areas. All detachments are providing



numerous VAVS hours. Several participate/lead activities at the local VA hospital.

- Northeast District – Mike Black
- South District – Howard Boyd
  - Detachments visited/contacted during this reporting period:
    - a. 1005 Paul Ray Purgason Detachment - Shallotte
    - b. 1070 Cape Fear Detachment - Wilmington
    - c. 1321 Hampstead Detachment - Hampstead

Detachment #	Total Reg & Assoc mbrs	Total unpaid mbrs	Total % unpaid
1005	25	4	16.00%*
1036	34	1	2.94%*
1070	100	2	2.00%
1321	72	6	9.00%*

- How many Detachments are in your District? 4
- How many of these Detachments were represented at the last Quarterly meeting? 1
- Suggestions for the ‘Good of the League’ as a result of your DVC activities: The detachments that are maintaining or increasing membership are very active in their communities. The exposure puts them in a favorable light to prospective members. Detachments 1005 having internal strife issues while 1036 having issues with growth.
- Detachments deserving special recognition in your District and reasons why: All Detachments are working closely with their communities in various philanthropic endeavors.

- Southeast District – Lee Walker
  - Detachments visited/contacted during the reporting period. 2
  - Detachment 1407 Swansboro
  - Detachment 262 Onslow county

Detachments	TLREG & Assoc Members	Tlt unpd mbrs	tlt % unpd
1407	54	7	11.48
262	40	10	11.7

- Total unpaid member percentage for the district. 23.1
- How many Detachments are in the District? 2
- How many of these Detachments were represented at last quarterly meeting? 2
- East District – Steve Tracy

## 15. Commandant's Report – Jeffrey Jones

- Give accounting of work since Spring Membership Meeting
  - First of all I would like to thank all of you for attending this Department Convention. I would also like for us all to give the Onslow Country Detachment and the Auxiliary Detachment a big round of applause. This will be a Convention to remember.
  - As you heard earlier from Randal our Department is in very good financial shape. Please help support the Department by Participating in the Fund Raisers that the membership has approved. This will allow us to financially help the charities we support.
  - The Mid-East Division is leading the way with our new program, Marine for Life and no surprise to me the Department of North Carolina is leading the way in the Division. We currently have 26 Detachment with M4L representatives. If you have not assigned one yet please get with Todd Abbott and he can tell you what he needs.
  - Since our Spring Membership meeting I attended 16 different events. I spent 3 days at Marine South aboard Camp Lejuene. If you have never attended the event I would encourage you to go next year. I went to a Veteran's Appreciation Ceremony at the Governor's Mansion in Raleigh, where I received mixed comments from some members. Some people actually thought that there was some type of political motivation. I stressed to them there was not! Anytime I could promote the Marine Corps League in the Public Eye I would gladly do so. We actually recruited a FMF Navy Chaplain so it was a success. Last weekend I did my final event as your Department Commandant. Myself and rest of Team Turtle (STAND UP PLEASE) participated in the 10th Annual Mud Run in Pinnacle. We had a great time. I was very happy with 15 DoNC members and 1 member that came down from Maryland to participate. I hope there will continue to be increased interest from our members. Don't let the name of the event scare you. "We Start Off Slow and Taper Down"! It's just a gingerly walk through the woods with a little mud. We have a lot of fun. Since the Spring Membership Meeting I

have traveled 2,482 miles & have made (4) 1st time Detachment visits. That brings my yearly total miles to 16,177 miles and my total different Detachment visits to 30 of the 54 this year. I have represented the Department in 80 events this year. Since I have been in the Department Chairs I have traveled over 200,000 miles and represented the Department in over 700 events.

○ Later this afternoon you will have the opportunity to pick the future leaders of this Department. Please give them as much support as you have given me. I appreciate the opportunity that you have given me over these past 6 years. It has been my honor and it is something I will never forget.

- Commandant mileage report

2018 - 2019  
Commandant DoNC Milage

July 1, 2018	DoNC Convention	141 miles
July 11, 2018	<u>Tarheel</u> # 733 *	100 miles
July 14, 2018	Pound # 210 Growl	70 miles
July 16, 2017	NC Veterans Council	100 miles
July 19, 2018	<u>Shawn Knisley</u> Detachment 983*	166 miles
July 20, 2018	<u>SgtMaj</u> Jonathan Clark Retirement	198 miles
July 20, 2018	Col. William Carlson Life Celebration	
July 26, 2018	<u>Dept</u> of Military & Veteran Affairs	100 miles
July 26, 2018	Iredell County # 1097 *	390 miles
Aug 1, 2018	<u>Tarheel</u> # 733	100 miles
Aug 11-18 2018	National Convention Buffalo, NY	1240 miles
Aug 21, 2018	Gold Leaf #1276*	26 miles
Sept 6, 2018	Cpl. Suzi <u>Sannes</u> #1262*	30 miles
Sept 7, 2018	<u>Tarheel</u> Unit # 733 MCLA	100 miles
Sept 7&8 2018	Department Fall Meeting	408 miles

6 Detachments  
5 First time visits  
3169

Sept 21, 2018	Marine 4 Life	100 miles
Sept 23, 2018	Greater Greensboro # 260*	244 miles
Sept 25, 2018	Modern Day Marine Quantico, VA	428 miles
Oct 2, 2018	Swansboro 1407*	222 miles
Oct 6, 2018	Pound # 210 Growl RM	30 miles
Oct 9, 2018	Hampstead # 1321*	252 miles
Oct 13, 2018	Dept of SC Quarterly	472 miles
Oct 14, 2018	Mudd Run Cookout	350 miles
Oct 16, 2018	Onslow County # 262*	198 miles
Oct 23, 2018	Beirut Observance	198 miles
Nov 1, 2018	Waynesborough #1350*	64 miles
Nov 6, 2018	Cape Fear # 1070*	252 miles
Nov 9, 2018	GoldLeaf # 1276	26 miles
Nov 10, 2018	Shawn Knisley # 983*	166 miles
Nov 11, 2018	Cpl Suzi Sannes # 1262	30 miles
Nov 12, 2018	Oriental Dragons # 1413*	234 miles
Nov 13, 2018	Carry-On # 1236*	60 miles
Nov 17, 2018	Raleigh Recruiters Ball	100 miles
Nov 20, 2018	GoldLeaf # 1276	26 miles
Dec 2, 2018	Carolina Billiards Toy Run	26 miles
Dec 4, 2018	Sgt W.E. Plueddemann # 1186*	88 miles
Dec 7, 2018	Gunny Claus 2 <sup>nd</sup> Tanks	198 miles
Dec 12, 2018	Oriental Dragons # 1413 Officer Installation	234 miles
Dec 13, 2018	Paul Ray Purgason Detachment # 1105*	316 miles
Dec 14, 2018	Gunny Claus Quantico, VA	428 miles
Dec 15, 2018	Gunny Claus 2/8 & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mar Div Band	198 miles
Dec 16, 2018	Gunny Claus @nd Com Battalion	198 miles
Dec 17, 2018	LCpl Alan D. Lam # 1209*	190 miles
Dec 27, 2018	Pfc Terry C. Smith # 1193*	260 miles
Jan 3, 2019	Gen Raymond G. Davis # 1162*	450 miles
Jan 10, 2019	Catawba Valley # 1163*	430 miles
Jan 15, 2019	Onslow County # 262	198 miles
Jan 19, 2019	Pound # 210 Growl	100 miles
Jan 22, 2019	Ashville # 1417*	578 miles
Jan 28, 2019	Tarheel Charges	100 miles
Feb 2, 2019	NC Pack Growl	22 miles
Feb 5, 2019	Sgt W.E. Plueddemann # 1186	88 miles
Feb 6, 2019	Tarhell # 733	100 miles
Feb 8, 2019	NC-1 W.M.A.	198 miles
Feb 11, 2019	Greater Greensboro # 260	244 miles
Feb 15, 2019	Marine 4 Life Raleigh	100 miles
Feb 21, 2019	Cherry Point # 1067*	218 miles
Feb 28-2, 2019	Mid-Winter Conference Fredricksburg, VA	392 miles
Mar 4, 2019	Sanford Detachment # 1223*	156 miles
Mar 17, 2019	Outer Banks # 1264*	340 miles
Mar 19, 2019	Charlotte # 750*	416 miles
Mar 22-23, 2019	South East Division Conference	564 miles
Mar 26, 2019	Orange Co Regulators # 1292*	154 miles

Apr 1, 2019	<u>Cpl Suzi Sannes #1262</u>	30 miles
Apr 5 &6, 2019	Spring Membership Meeting Burlington, NC	190 miles
Apr 9, 2019	Air, Land NC # 1257*	66 miles
Apr 10 – 12 2019	Marine South Camp <u>LeJeune</u>	198 miles
Apr 16, 2019	Gold Leaf # 1276	26 miles
Apr 27, 2109	Pound # 210 Growl	22 miles
May 1, 2019	<u>Tarheel # 733</u>	100 miles
May 2, 2019	<u>Waynesborough # 1350</u>	64 miles
May 8, 2019	<u>Sandhills # 1001*</u>	212 miles
May 9, 2019	NW Triad # 1314*	248 miles
May 14, 2019	Carry-On # 1236	60 miles
May 16, 2019	Crossed Rifles # 1346*	126 miles
May 17, 2019	NC Governor	100 miles
May 19, 2019	Charlotte # 750	416 miles
May 21, 2019	Gold Leaf # 1276	26 miles
June 1, 2019	10 <sup>th</sup> Annual Mud Run	342 miles
June 4, 2019	<u>Sgt W.E. Plueddemann # 1186</u>	88 miles
June 7, 2019	49 <sup>th</sup> Department Convention	198 miles

4 1<sup>st</sup> time visits  
30 Total 1<sup>st</sup> time visits  
Total visits representing the Department 80

2,482 miles  
16,117 Total miles

- Communication – Please regularly check the DoNC website for meeting minutes, updates, and other vital information necessary to carry out the business of the league. The website is [www.ncmcl.org](http://www.ncmcl.org) .
- Discuss 2019 National Convention – ‘Submit **full** Detachment Delegate strength’ encourage members to attend if possible.

## 16. Report of Staff Officers

- Sr. Vice Commandant – Rick Thomason
  - As the fiscal year of the Department comes to a close, I reminisce about the first time I stood before you as your Senior Vice Commandant. We were at the Convention Banquet. I had just been sworn in as the SCV and the Commandant said, “Senior Vice Commandant, perform the last duty of your post”. And I didn’t know what to say. My mind went blank. I really had not anticipated the saying anything, nor did I have the script before me. I make it to the podium, recovered, and

read the closing statement. I was sure everyone lost all faith in my ability to perform as SVC. I have made an honest effort over the last two years to correct any misconception that may have been created that night. So far this year I have covered 15,345 miles representing the Department of North Carolina and the Marine Corps League. Attended all the Department meetings, Mideast Division Conference, Mid-Winter Conference, National Convention, Modern Day Marine, Marine South, Armed Forces Day at the Governor's Mansion, visited twenty-five different Detachments, attended 38 Detachment meetings and participated in four Officer Installations. The majority of the time I carried the DoNC rifle we were selling tickets for, the Veteran parking signs, Challenge coins and a stack of calendars. I can look back with utmost clarity and state that the DoNC is much more financially stable this year than we have been in several years. The details of the fundraising will be in the Paymaster's report.

- I look forward to continuing to serve the Department with the same dedication and attention to detail in the future.

- Jr. Vice Commandant – Keith Shearin

- Not as much to report since the Spring Membership meeting in Burlington. I have visited 5 detachments, either swearing in or assisting with the swearing in of 3 Detachment's officers. I have been working with several Detachments with Administrative Procedural questions, with the idea being having continuity within the DoNC. I believe that our Department is strong, but there is always room to grow and become even stronger and have a larger present in our communities, state, and the Marine Corps League. I have been working with the Commandant and Senior Vice Commandant on getting our Department cleaned up, and think we have done well at accomplishing that task.

- Some of the Detachments that I have visited have chosen younger Marines to take the helm or sit in positions that require knowledge of the League and our by-laws. I feel as though this is a great thing, but with this come a challenge. With a younger generation of Marine leading the charge there is a new way of thinking that follows. This sometimes

receives pushback from the Marines that have been the backbone of the Marine Corps League for many years. My recommendation to all of you is simple. Work together, have open discussions about the pro's and con's of ideas presented. Commandants remember, you are the spokesperson for your detachment. No decisions can be made without the vote, approval, and support of the detachment. For those Marines that have been a part of the Marine Corps League for many years, keep in mind that times are changing, and we must change with it. I am a firm believer that nothing is as powerful as a handshake and face to face interaction. The younger generations of Marines that we are searching for are techno savvy. We must be prepared to connect via social media outlets, and then actively pursue getting that individual to attend a meeting.

- Once we get the Marine to a meeting, we must have a mission to accomplish. From October until January many detachments are busy with Marine Corps Birthday, Veteran's Day, and Toys for Tots. Then we deal with the slower Winter months of January and February before Spring and Summer arrive and the many opportunities that warmer weather bring. Your detachments need to have quarterly ideas so that there is always something working in the background to keep your membership interested and active. The size of your detachment will dictate the projects you are capable of handling, but as you recruit new members and your numbers grow the capacity of your detachment will grow also.
- I have enjoyed serving as your Department Junior Vice Commandant for the past year. I look forward to continuing service for the Department of North Carolina and all my brothers and sisters who make up our ranks. I have tremendous pride in being a member of this Department when I attend the Mideast Conference, Mid-Winter Conference, and National Convention. I believe without hesitation that we are one of the strongest Departments within the Marine Corps League and have a voice that is heard by others.
- I hope to see everyone in Greensboro for the Fall Membership Meeting. I hope to see more members present, new faces, and

hear new ideas. I have told every detachment that I have visited, that the Marines wearing the red covers are the backbone of the Marine Corps League. We who are chosen to lead the Department are here to help those within our Department. Semper Fi, Marines.

- Judge Advocate – Denny Mathias
  - In addition to the required duties of the Judge Advocate as defined in the Department bylaws, I continue to work with detachments to get their bylaws updated. My action items include:
  - Bylaws Hard & Soft Copy – As presented at the Convention, the status of the updating of the detachment bylaws is: Only three detachments have a current, certified copy of the bylaws AND a soft copy (MS Word or WordPerfect) in the Judge Advocate's files. Another three detachments are in the process of updating their bylaws. A spreadsheet providing the status of all detachments will be sent in a separate email for distribution to all detachments. This will include a check list of issues that need to be addressed in order to get detachment bylaws compliant with Department and National Bylaws and Administrative Procedures.
  - Grievances – For the fiscal year 2019 there have been no departmental grievance hearings. With district vice commandants maintaining contacts with their detachments, obtaining department assistance where needed, all potential grievances have been addressed. I commend our detachments' leadership in immediately addressing and resolving issues before elevating them to the grievance stage.
  
- Bylaws Committee Chairman – Lisa Ciesielski
  - There were no bylaw changes this year.
  
- Sgt.-at-Arms – Ralph Farthing
  - No report



- Aide-De-Camp – John Dilday
  - Fall 2019 – Greater Greensboro Detachment #260, Greensboro, Wyndham Garden Hotel, 415 S. Swing Rd., September 13-14
  - Spring 2020 – joint host Pfc Bruce Larson Detachment #1242 and Charlotte Detachment #750, Hilton Charlotte University Hotel, April 17-18
  - Convention 2020 - Detachments Pfc Bruce Larson Detachment #1242 and Charlotte Detachment #750, Hilton Charlotte University Hotel, June 12-13
  - Fall 2020 – Shawn Knisley Detachment #983, Fayetteville
  - Spring 2021 – need detachment host to volunteer
  - Convention 2021 – to be voted on later in meeting (have 1 host volunteer)
  - Fall 2021 – need detachment host to volunteer
  - Spring 2022 – need detachment host to volunteer
  - Convention 2022 – to be voted on next year (have 1 host volunteer)
  - Fall 2022 – need detachment host to volunteer

17. **Report of Project Leaders**

(3-5 minutes)

- Toys For Tots – Larry Hill
- Eagle Scout Program – Charles Minton & Karen Barton
  - A report was put together comparing the Council / Troop location and the Detachment locations. With meeting or contact information. Every Commandant needs to get their copy from Karen. DVC's please get the information for the detachments not in attendance.
  - Please let us know the coordinator for each detachment so we can reach out to them directly.
- Marine For Life Liaison – Todd Abbott and Mark Munger
  - Department of North Carolina has the most M4L liaisons in the country.
  - The MCL Library has training information.
  - It is not a recruiting effort, but recruiting can be a side effect of helping the Marines.

- Young Marine Program – Ryan Siemer – ppt presentation
- VAVS Program – Ken Parker
  - Total hours report for this past year is 4,346.
- Fund-Raising – Rick Thomason & Keith Shearin
  - Rifle – all of the tickets were sold and the winner drawn at the Spring Membership Meeting.
  - Calendars – Most were sold. We extended the deadline to sell and register to April 14<sup>th</sup>.

Commandant Jones “At this time I ask for a motion from the Floor to accept the Officer and Committee reports as given or submitted.”  
 Todd Abbott made the motion to accept the reports. Second by Ralph Farthing. Approved by members present.

**18. Unfinished Business**

- None.

**19. Awards**

Commandant Jones assisted by Adjutant Hamilton

- Certificates of Appreciation
  - John Dilday
  - Bill Boyd
  - Jason Hall
  - Ralph Farthing
  - Jeff Petway
  - Ryan Siemer
  - Larry Hill
  - Ken Parker
  - Phil Randall
  - Thomas Bates
  - Lisa Ciesielski
  - Charles Minton
  - Karen Barton
  - Todd Abbott
  - Robbie Savage

- Tim Manchester
- Greg Ciesielski
- Jeremy Barton
- Department Level Meritorious Unit Citation Awards
  - Onslow County Det 262 (2 awards)
  - Shawn Knisley Det 983
  - Paul Ray Purgason Det 1005
  - Carolina Boarders Det 1036
  - Cherry Point Det 1067
  - Cape Fear Det 1070
  - Percy John Fulton Det 1075
  - Alan D Lam Det 1209
  - Hampstead Det 1321
  - Swansboro Det 1407
  - Oriental Dragon Det 1413
  - Northwest District
- Department Level Individual Meritorious Commendations
- Distinguished Service Awards
  - Distinguished Citizens Bronze
    1. Ric Ledford
    2. Chuck Wright
    3. Glenn Perkins
    4. Chuck Stotz
    5. John Dilday
    6. Denny Mathias
    7. John Staley
    8. Mike Black
    9. Howard Boyd
    10. Lee Walker
    11. Steve Tracy
  - Distinguished Citizens Silver
    1. Randal Rempfer
    2. Laura Hamilton

**20. Recess of the DoNC Convention morning session - 1152**

- Chaplin to close Bible
- Sgt-at-Arms to announce that the meeting will reconvene at 1300.

**21. Reconvene the afternoon DoNC Convention meeting - 1300**

- Sgt-at-Arms to bring meeting to order
- Chaplain to open the Bible

**22. Paymaster Discuss and vote on 2018-2019 budget.**

MCL, Department of North Carolina  
**Profit & Loss Budget Overview**  
 Fiscal Year 2018/2019

Income	Jun '19 - May '20	Actual '19-'20	
<b>Investments</b>			
Money Market	2.75		
<b>Total Investments</b>	2.75	0.00	
<b>Other Types of Income</b>			
Fundraising Revenue	30,000.00		
2019 Calendar Raffle			13520.00
2020 Calendar Raffle			0.00
Challenge Coins			0.00
Compat Wounded Vet Signs			0.00
2019/2020 Gun Raffle - M1A			0.00
<b>Total Other Types of Income</b>	30,000.00	0.00	
<b>Program Income</b>			
Humanitarian/Disaster Relief	0.00	0.00	
Cmdt Overage Reimbursement			
Life Member Interest Rebate	2,200.00	0.00	<i>*Based on amount received last year</i>
Membership Dues	5,825.00	0.00	<i>*Based on 1065 paid memberships</i>
<b>Total Program Income</b>	8,025.00	0.00	
<b>Total Income</b>	38,027.75	0.00	

Expense			
Advertising	500.00		<i>*Convention Ad Books</i>
Department Officer's Expenses			
Adjutant Expenses	600.00	0.00	600.00
Chaplain Expenses	500.00	0.00	500.00
Commandant's Expenses	4,007.83	0.00	4007.83
DVC Expenses			
Central	400.00	0.00	400.00
East	400.00	0.00	400.00
Mid West	400.00	0.00	400.00
North	400.00	0.00	400.00
North Central	400.00	0.00	400.00
North East	400.00	0.00	400.00
Northwest	400.00	0.00	400.00
South	400.00	0.00	400.00
South Central	400.00	0.00	400.00
South East	400.00	0.00	400.00
West	400.00	0.00	400.00
Total DVC Expenses	4,400.00	0.00	
Jr. Vice Commandant's Expenses	600.00	0.00	600.00
Judge Advocate Expenses	600.00	0.00	600.00
Paymaster Expenses			
Postage, Mailing Service	600.00	0.00	600.00
Printing and Copying	100.00	0.00	100.00
Supplies	100.00	0.00	100.00
Paymaster Expenses - Other	400.00	0.00	400.00
Total Paymaster Expenses	1,200.00	0.00	
Sr. Vice Commandant's Expenses	600.00	0.00	600.00
Total Department Officer's Expenses	12,507.83	0.00	
Meetings Expenses			
Mid-East Division Host	100.00	0.00	
Mid-East Division Conference	0.00	0.00	<i>*Hosting Expenses</i>
Convention/Membership Mtg.	100.00	0.00	
Host Detachment Allowance	600.00	0.00	<i>* Tri-Annual Meetings</i>
Total Meetings Expenses	800.00	0.00	
Operations			
Bank Fees	0.00	0.00	
Books, Subscriptions, Reference	0.00	0.00	
Multi-Media Expense	100.00	0.00	
Web Site Expenses	1,000.00	0.00	<i>* 10 yr Domain &amp; Hosting</i>
Total Operations	1,100.00	0.00	
Other Types of Expenses			
Humanitarian Fund	2,500.00	0.00	
2018 Hurricane Relief	0.00	0.00	8889.39 Balance Available
2019 Calendar Winners	0.00	0.00	13520.00 Balance to Date
2020 Calendar Winners	0.00	0.00	0.00 Balance to Date
2019/2020 Rifle Raffle-M1A	1,730.00	0.00	0.00 Balance to Date
Awards	400.00	0.00	
Mideast Conference Expense	0.00	0.00	
Combat Veteran Sign Purchase	0.00	0.00	0.00 Balance to Date
Fundraiser Expense (Purchased Items)	2,000.00	0.00	
Wreaths Across America	1,000.00	0.00	
Gunny Clause	1,000.00	0.00	
New Detachment Allowance	300.00	0.00	
NC Veterans Council	150.00	0.00	
Total Other Types of Expenses	6,580.00	0.00	
Total Expense	21,487.83	0.00	
Net Income	16,539.92	0.00	

**Department Commandant's proposed FY-2020**

							(Receipt supported)	
	Event	Flight cost allotment	Hotel night allotment	Hotel approx cost	Registration amount	Banquet amount	Gas allotment	
1	Mideast Division Conference	0	2	\$ 200.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 80.00	
2	National Convention	0	10	\$ 985.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 584.08	
3	DoNC Fall Quarterly Meeting	0	1	\$ 115.00	\$ 10.00	\$	\$ 64.00	
4	National Mid-Winter Conference	0	3	\$ 420.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 40.00	
5	DoNC Spring Quarterly Meeting	0	1	\$ 115.00	\$ 10.00	\$	\$ 60.00	
6	DoNC Annual Convention	0	2	\$ 230.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 60.00	
				<b>Misc items</b>				
7	Weighted hotel taxes			\$ 309.75				
8	Additional gas allotment						\$ 500.00	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR</b>		\$ -		\$ 2,374.75	\$ 55.00	\$ 190.00	\$ 1,388.08	
<b>GRAND TOTAL EXPENSED</b>		\$ 4,007.83						
<b>Comments</b>								
2018-2019 Approved Budget		\$3,540.23						
Budgeted more/(less) than previous budget		\$467.58						

- The proposed budget was presented and answers were answered.
- Bob Fullmer made the motion to accept the proposed budget. Second by Mike Wartenbee. Approved by members present.

**23. New Business**

- 2021 Convention bids - We can hold the Department Convention anytime from 01- May through 15-June, per the By-laws. Conventions are typically held in June
  - Ask any Detachments that would like to submit a proposal for 2021 Convention to come forward to make a presentation
    - Catawba Valley Detachment #1163 - Jeremy Barton presented bid.
      - Crowne Plaza in Hickory just off I-40
      - June 11-13, 2021
      - \$109 + tax single occupancy
      - \$115 + tax double occupancy
      - Lunch / dinner buffet prices are not set at this time
    - No other bids.
    - Approved by members present.
- New fund raising event
  - Rick Thomason – weapon
    - It was approved at the Spring Membership Meeting to have M1A SOCOM 16 (7.62/308) weapon.
    - He has 1000 tickets.
    - Every DVC and Detachment Commandant needs to pick up some tickets before they leave today. They are grouped in 25.
    - They are \$10 each.
    - The drawing will take place at the next Department meeting when all tickets are sold.

- Keith Shearin – calendar program
  - Calendars will be available at the Fall Membership Meeting.
  - The basic program will be the same.
  - Need to track where the calendars are for better count of sales.
  - There will be 1000 and each will be \$30.

#### **24. Election of Officers for the 2018-2019 year**

- Election Chairperson will be Jr. Past Cmdt Charles Minton assisted by the Credentials Committee.
- Credentials Committee – Larry Hill and Bruce Goeden. If necessary, they will report on voting strength of each Detachment and the registered Delegates from each Detachment.
- Nominations:
  - Commandant – Rick Thomason
  - Senior Vice – Keith Shearin
  - Junior Vice –
    1. Jeremy Barton
    2. Ric Ledford
  - Judge Advocate – Denny Mathias
- Adjutant Hamilton cast one unanimous vote for Commandant, Senior Vice and Judge Advocate.
- Caucus and voting took place for Junior Vice.
  - Ric Ledford won the vote.

#### **25. Good of the League**

- Chuck Wright & Dennis Brockman – have an officers training program they are willing to present to the detachments if they want to contact either of them to schedule it. It is a 3 hour program.
- DoWV has a leadership program at their convention in the middle of the afternoon on Friday.
- Denny Mathias – Charlotte will be hosting the Spring Membership Meeting and the Convention next year. Any presentations for those meetings need to be to him and Adjutant Hamilton by Friday afternoon of each meeting.

- It was requested to have a class for the new detachment Commandants on Friday afternoon of the convention weekend.
- Chuck Stotz – Fall Membership Meeting is September 13-14. Come early and go by Carolina Field of Honor in Triad Park.
- Tom Northrop – Poker Run & Car Show on September 28<sup>th</sup> at the Blue Ridge Event Center to support Wreaths Across America.
- Bruce Goeden – Raleigh area young Marine & family is in need of a car.
- June Farthing – There were professional classes at the state meeting back in the 2010 era.
- A thank you to the detachments who donated to the hurricane relief.
- Chuck Wright – Gunny Claus meeting after this business session for 15 to 20 minutes.

## 26. Announcements

- National Convention registration – Register ASAP (bring a copy to show) details at <https://www.mclnationalconvention2019.com/> for events and pricing.
- Karen Barton – Eagle Scout lists will be given to the DVC to get them to the detachments.
- Joe De Angelo – [www.JDforJA.org](http://www.JDforJA.org) is running for National Judge Advocate.
- Charles Minton – Teal Yaking About It had a good turnout. He has tickets for a kayak raffle.
- DoWV will be submitting a bid for the 2022 National Convention.
- Barb De Angelo – [www.VetsForWarriors.com](http://www.VetsForWarriors.com)

## 27. Recessing of the Meeting (per Ritual until the Banquet at 1800) - 1434

- Remarks by Cmdt. Jones
- Singing of the Marines Hymn
- “Good night Chesty, wherever you are!”
- Retire the Colors
- Chaplain – Prayer and close the Bible – Jason Hall