

Marine Corps League

Department of North Carolina



Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

14 July 2023

Presided by: Commandant Ric Ledford
Department of North Carolina
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Meeting start time: 1909
Meeting Location: zoom Call

A. BOT attendees

1. Commandant – Ric Ledford
2. Sr. Vice Commandant – Robert Hare
3. Jr. Vice Commandant – AJ Pitts
4. Judge Advocate – Bill Brown
5. Jr Past – Rick Thomason
6. Paymaster – Scott Shermeyer (absent)
7. Adjutant – Laura Hamilton

B. Subject of discussion

1. Bulling of members who do not regularly attend meeting.
 - An email will be sent out department wide.
 - The person should be talked to ‘to the side’ and be given a chance to correct their behavior.
2. MOY submittals
 - Should not be a buddy system selection/nomination.
 - Can only receive each level one time.
3. Shirts – AJ Pitts
 - He has a person working up the shirt logo options. He should get the roughs next week.
4. Fundraiser – Robert Hare
 - It is going. Scott was to get with the bank, they are coordinating this.
 - 80 tickets sold. 320 made.
 - The site has been visited.
 - Working on getting it on the website.
5. Bylaws – Bill Brown
 - He will be sending to national soon and will get them on the website once national approves them.
 - All on call are good with them.
 - He has created a cross reference spreadsheet.
6. Donations / bank account awareness – Bill Brown
 - He is re-working an email to be sent.
 - He is wanting to emphasize to each detachment to look at their accounts each year to help the community better.
7. A/V team – Bill Brown

- Patrick has not responded about how to sell it.
 - Jim Mitchell's daughter has it in her garage.
 - Something needs to happen.
 - Jim and Patrick talked at the last detachment meeting this week.
8. Re-imbusement – Bill Brown
- National does have a process. We should look at adapting it for the department and create an MOU for it.
 - National does allow for 30 days after the end of FY for re-imbusement.
 - Give a time frame to submit such as 60 days after the expense occurs.
 - Maybe after convention only allow 30 days.
 - Send out a generic email about how to handle re-imburements.
9. Commandant's Counsel meeting (virtual) – Ric Ledford
- Some concerns expressed about how beneficial it is, the night of the week.
 - Offers suggestion of quarterly.
 - Robert Hare – Friday was selected due to MCL meeting nights.
 - Bill Brown – suggest meeting every other time a Wednesday or Friday.
 - Robert Hare – would like to send out to detachment commandants to get feedback.
 - Laura Hamilton – explained some of the issues she has heard about and how the virtual versus in person have been handled.
 - Robert Hare – The quarterly reports have some concerns they have listed on them. They also feel the department is not helping them.
 - Bill Brown – some of this is on the DVCs also. Robert concurred.
 - Ric Ledford – the detachments also need to reach out and use the QRF for contact information.
 - Rick Thomason – the original inception was for the Sr Vice to moderate and for the commandants to just talk.
 - This is a good networking opportunity. We need to encourage more attendance for this aspect.

No other topics discussed. Meeting was adjourned. 2021.