

Marine Corps League

Department of North Carolina



Executive Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

06 October 2023

Presided by: Commandant Ric Ledford
Department of North Carolina
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Meeting start time: 1910
Meeting Location: zoom Call

A. EBOT 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 (absent)
6. Adjutant – Laura Hamilton

B. Subject of discussion

1. Spring and Fall Membership meeting uniforms.
 - a. The front table will wear a new version of a polo shirt to make the meetings more relaxed.
 - b. These two meetings will be more relaxed feeling of the cover being the only uniform item.
 - c. Convention will remain the more formal attire type of meeting.
2. Email request from John Dilday – 2025 and 2026 conventions
 - a. Asking if the hosting detachments can get a little larger stipend to go more above and beyond since these are the 250th anniversaries of the USMC and USA.
 - b. He is asking for \$2500 in addition to the \$200 that is currently in the budget for each convention.
 - c. Is this truly needed? Look at what 1482 and 750 have done recently with the regular stipend.
 - d. There will need to be a good justification for this kind of request.
 - e. This will be presented to the membership at the Fall Membership meeting.
 - f. The current stipend may need to be increased in general.
 - g. SOP for hosting needs to be formally adopted into the Administrative Procedures.
 - h. We need to reach out to past hosting Departments of past National Conventions for their input.
3. Robert Hare – fundraising progress –

- a. Overall, we are at \$1400 to \$1500 with what we had roll over. He thought the giving back would have boosted the sales better than what it has done.
 - b. He will look at going to a couple of gun shows.
 - c. It is not on Facebook since he is not an Admin.
 - d. It is on the Instagram page and Webpage.
 - e. He is working on the next fundraisers – a room at National and a cruise.
 - f. It is getting more difficult for all fundraising. We are looking at different types of fundraising items.
4. AJ Pitts – recruitment
- a. A possible recruitment monetary award.
 - b. The billboard is not really an option as they are more restrictive on where they will provide a billboard for c3 organizations.
 - c. We need to hammer out a Department level award for recruiting.
5. Bill Brown –
- a. Bylaw have Fall Membership meeting as September and October but Fall goes into November.
 - b. Received a call from David Anderson, DVC, Detachment 1320 about the new roster of officers not being in good standing and Debi Taylor is the acting Commandant since she is the Jr Past. Their charter could possibly be temporarily suspended. This detachment know what to do, they just don't want to do it.
 - i. Ric Ledford and Robert Hare will meet with DVC David Anderson and will give them their options. The ROI has not been sent in.
 - ii. *Bill Brown made the motion to give them 30 days to get things in order after the meeting before pulling charter. Second by Robert Hare. Approved by EBOT.*
 - iii. Bill Brown asked to be on the phone if not zoom when the meetings take place.

- c. We need to start pulling charters since they all know that we are lax on doing this. There is no accountability. No one wants to pull the charter but we will have to follow the rules.

No other topics discussed. Meeting was adjourned. 2042.