

Minutes MCL Granite State Detachment

« March 8, 2016 »

Officers Meeting
1800 - 1830

Membership Meeting
1830 - 2000

Opening Ceremony Conducted by the Commandant

Establishment of a Quorum Sgt. at Arms
(2 elected officers + 10% of the membership)

Roll call of Officers Adjutant

P = Present
E = Excused
A = Absent

Cmdt.	Bruce Katz	<u> P </u>
SVC	Tony Romano	<u> P </u>
JVC	Chris Aberding	<u> P </u>
JA	Woody Haskell	<u> P </u>
Jr. Past Cmdt.	Frank Silva	<u> A </u>
Adjutant	Mark Rivet	<u> P </u>
Paymaster	Mark Rivet	<u> P </u>
Chaplain	Joe Duquette	<u> E </u>
Quartermaster	Armand Lavoie	<u> A </u>
S@A	John Jenkins	<u> P </u>
Web Sgt.	Frank Diekmann	<u> P </u>

Other Members in Attendance George Snell, Gary Gahan

Applications for Membership No applications for membership.

Adjutant Report Minutes are read prior to the meeting allowing time for Discussion and corrections.
Motion to accept the January minutes, 1st Frank Diekmann, 2nd Tony Romano. Motion accepted. There were no minutes in February; Adjutant was absent.

Correspondence	All correspondence is presented at the meeting.
Announcements	
Report of Paymaster	Motion made to accept paymasters report; 1 st Frank Diekmann, 2 nd Tony Romano. Motion accepted.
Presentation of expenditures	Frank Diekmann presented an expense for \$11.99 for the updated display board. Motion made to accept reimbursing Frank D. made, 1 st Woody Haskell, 2 nd Gary Gahan. Motion passed.
Report of sickness and distress	Robert Plichta (Doc) and his wife are very sick.
Report of officers/standing committees	
Awards Committee	Chair Bruce Katz, Frank Diekmann, Mark Rivet Nothing to report
Fundraising	Chair Tony Romano, Mark Rivet, R. Plichta The gun show produced a whopping \$1624. The raffle will be held on April 23. Many thanks go to Chris Aberding, Woody Haskell, and Tony Romano for making this raffle the huge success that it was. Hopefully, in the future we can get other members to step up to the plate. I'll just say that it was all officers of the detachment that showed up for duty; just saying. Special thanks to Tony Romano. Despite his age and challenges, he still managed to participate. He's one Marine you want at your back; Hoorah!
Membership	JVC – Chris Aberding Chris has some prospects for membership in the works. More on that as things develop. Chris is also working on making calls to Marines on the roster that haven't paid their dues. This can be attributed to a couple different things. Some members have died. Our detachment is aging. I am confident that with Chris Aberding's leadership ability and participation from the membership that we can bolster our ranks.
Public Relations	Cmdt. Bruce Katz

Bruce put a press release in the Union Leader for our college scholarship. Good luck to the upcoming recipient of this award.

Scouting Committee

Chair Frank Diekmann, M. Rivet, Woody Haskell
Giving Eagle Scout awards continues to be a great honor for this detachment. Six were done in the months of January and February.

Scholarships

Chair Derwood Haskell, Bruce Katz, Frank Diekmann
There are no applicants to the scholarship as of yet. We continue to be hopeful that a worthy young man or woman will apply for this award.
Motion was made to add young Marines to the list of eligible recipients. 1st Gary Gahan, 2nd Chris Aberding.
Motion passed.

Veterans (VAVS)

Frank Diekmann, Deputy is open
Frank reported on VAVS activities as usual. Too much to put in the minutes. If anyone is interested in learning more about VAVS activities please contact Frank Diekmann; he is a wealth of information.

Web Site

Chair Bruce Katz, Frank Diekmann
Motion was made to authorize up to \$100 for the year in website payments. 1st Frank Diekmann, 2nd Tony Romano.
It was mentioned that the annual payment is \$7.99.
Motion made to get a debit card for the detachment. 1st Tony Romano, 2nd Gary Gahan. Motion passed.

Unfinished Business

Please let Frank Diekmann know of anything done in the name of Granite State Detachment. The activities list that Frank maintains is a key in the selection of Marines for Detachment awards. If it is not known what you are doing, then how do we select Marines for awards.

New Business

Motion was made to donate \$250 to building dreams for Marines. 1st Tony Romano, 2nd Woody Haskell. Motion passed.
There is a new ribbon available; funeral detail ribbon.

Good of the League

Upcoming Events

2nd Tuesday of every month at 18:30 – detachment meeting is held at the Elks Club, 290 Granite street, Manchester NH. Your input is needed for a successful detachment.

Last Saturday of the month at 08:00 Detachment Breakfast at Blake's restaurant on the west side of Manchester, 353 Main St. mark your calendars now as we would like to see you.

3rd Tuesday of every month at 11:30 the "Together We Served" organization holds a luncheon in Rochester, NH. Contact F. Diekmann for details.

Check the National, Department and Detachment web sites for latest info

Closing Ceremony Conducted by Cmdt. Bruce Katz

Semper Fi

Mark R. Rivet
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