

Minutes- MCL Granite State Detachment

July 11, 2017

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.	Derwood Haskell	<u> P </u>
SVC	Chris Alberding	<u> E </u>
JVC	John Jenkins	<u> P </u>
JA	Bruce Katz	<u> A </u>
Jr. Past Cmdt.	Bruce Katz	<u> A </u>
Adjutant	Mark Rivet	<u> A </u>
Paymaster	Mark Rivet	<u> A </u>
Chaplain	Joe Duquette	<u> P </u>
Quartermaster	John Petralito	<u> P </u>
S@A	Shawn Carboni	<u> E </u>
Web Sgt.	Chris Alberding	<u> E </u>

Other Members and Guests in Attendance

Pauly Labbe, Cherie Monnell, Joey Duquette, Ellen Petralito, David Freschi, Frank Diekmann, Rick Plichta, Nancy Gero, Tony Romano, Cherie Monnell a guest, Randy Tobine, who served 18 months in Mosul Iraq and is considering joining our Detachment at our next meeting. Our scholarship recipient, Quinn Hamlin joined us for the initial part of our meeting.

Applications for Membership: We were joined by the Department of NH Commandant Cherie Monnell who brought a Marine with her, Randy Tobine who is considering joining the League. Randy served 18 months in Mosul Iraq. After the meeting Randy stated that he was impressed by the items covered during the meeting and it's thoroughness of the meeting. Stated that he would bring his DD 214 to our next meeting so he can join.

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Adjutant Report Minutes are read prior to the meeting allowing time for

discussion and corrections. Motion to accept the minutes was made by Frank D. and seconded by John P. Motion passed by the members is attendance.

Correspondence The Commandant received an email from Dillon Detachment noting that Dillon was making a donation to the NH Gold Star Families Monument in Boscawen.

Announcements There were no announcements.

Report of Paymaster Paymaster absent NO REPORT

Presentation of expenditures Due to the paymaster's absence None presented

Report of sickness and distress None reported

Report of officers/standing committees

Awards Committee Chair – Woody Haskell, Frank Diekmann, Mark Rivet
Frank D reported that he ordered about \$125 to \$150 of certificates and ribbons for future awards. Woody reminded the membership that earlier in the year that the DNH Commandant awarded the members of the Granite State Detachment the Department Meritorious Unit Award. Frank D to check inventory to assure there is sufficient inventory to present a ribbon to all members at our meeting in September.

An Individual Meritorious Citation was awarded to John and Nancy Gero for their efforts in support of the Market Basket fundraiser. A Distinguished Citizens Award was presented to Tony Romano for his efforts. The Commandant thanked Bruce Katz, John Petralito, Frank Diekmann and Joe Duquette for their contributions.

Fundraising Chair - Chris Alberding, Tony Romano, Robert Plichta
A major fundraising event was led by Tony R. at Market Basket that resulted in the raising of \$4,117.90 for the Detachments funds.

Tony is working on a fundraiser at IHOP in Bedford for November 11 where the Detachment will receive 20% of receipts.

John Jenkins mentioned that he has a connection to do a fundraiser at Bass Pro Shops.

Membership
Chair – John Jenkins, Bruce Katz, Chris Alberding, Gary Gahan + all GSD Members.
Membership ribbons were given to John J. who will make sure that all members received one for their ribbon bar..

Public Relations
Chair – Bruce Katz
The decision to merge the Public Relations Committee and Fireteam Bravo was tabled till next meeting.

Scouting Committee
Chair – Frank Diekmann, Mark Rivet, Gary Gahan
Frank D. reported that there were no scouting awards during the past month nor does he have any pending at present.

Scholarships
Chair – Woody Haskell, Bruce Katz, Frank Diekmann
NO REPORT

Veterans (VAVS)
Representative Frank Diekmann
Frank D stated that he visited the vets at the VA a few times during the past month. The Detachment volunteered to cover two bingos in July. The volunteers and the dates are:

July 16 th @ 18:15	July 30 @ 18:15
Frank D	Frank D
Dave W	John P
Gary G	Ellen P
Joe D	Woody H
Judith J	Tony R
Rick P	Rick P

THANKS TO ALL WHO VOLUNTEERED TO ASSIST

Web Site
Chris Alberding, Bruce Katz
NO REPORT

Fire team Alpha
Detachment Social Activities – Gary Gahan, Nancy Gero, John Petralito, Pauly Labbe, Judith Jones
NO REPORT

Fire team Bravo
Social Media – Chris Alberding, Bruce Katz
NO REPORT

Unfinished Business

The Commandant reported that the Concord Gun Shows matter is resolved. The Granite State Detachment will conduct the August 26 show at Becktash Shrine Center but will no longer be able to raffle in Concord

Need to follow-up with Paymaster to see if donation was made to NH Gold Star Family Monument in NH State Veterans cemetery.

New Business

Weare Military Vehicle Show July 27-29. We need to schedule staff for the raffle table Does anyone have an awning? This is outdoors. If you can volunteer to assist with the event advise Chris Alberding call 603-213-6049 or send email to chrisalberding@gmail.com

A major organization sponsored by the GAD is Building Dreams for Marines. They will beholding a Golf Tournament on 18th of August at the Amherst Country Club. During the meeting additional members of the detachment volunteered to assist with this event so we now have sufficient personnel to cover the money hole. The volunteers for this event are: Joe Duquette, Gary Gahan, Tony Romano, John & Ellen Petralito.

Thanks to every one helping with this event. If you every saw the happiness this Organization brings to disabled Marines families you would understand the benefit the GSD provides our Marine Corps family. A motion was made by Frank D and seconded by Tony R to donate \$1,000 to BDFM to assist them in their effort. Motion passed by the members present.

The challenge coins aren't selling as desired. A motion was made seconded and passed to reduce the selling price from \$12 to \$10.

Good of the League

Detachment Activity Report (Diekmann) – Copies of the Detachment Activites were presented. This past year we had six pages of activities that the detachment participated in or that individuals represented the Detachment at. If you have any activities that failed to be noted, report these activities to Frank so they may be added.

In support of the yearly National fundraiser for Children's hospitals a motion was made by Frank D, seconded by Tony R and passed by the membership present to donate \$500. to this fundraiser and present a check for this amount at the National Conference in August.

Upcoming Events

Annual Seacoast Detachment 394 Picnic – 19 August,
Coast Guard Station, Newcastle, NH

2nd Tuesday of every month at 1830 – 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 the Airport Diner on Brown Ave in Manchester NH. Hope that you and your spouse, family and friends can join you. Especially try and get any Marines you get to know to attend as it's a great recruiting opportunity

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

Members should try and go to Pease Air Facility in Portsmouth NH to greet troops arriving from overseas or deploying. Anytime I hve participated in a greeting the look on the troops faces show they are really taken back by the greeting and made to feel that their efforts to protect our freedom is appreciated. The time for their flights continuously change so go to their web site for the latest flight schedule.
www.peasegreeters.org

Closing Ceremony

Acting Adjutant

PDD Frank Diekmann