



United States Marine Corps League

Granite State Detachment #542

290 Granite St. Manchester NH 03102

09 July 2019 Meeting Minutes

Members present: John Jenkins

Shawn Carboni

Joe Duquette

Judith Jones

Frank Diekmann

Gary Gahan

John Petralito

Kevin Brown

Joe Duquette Jr.

Guests: Junior Past Department Commander Cherie Monnell and Bill Miller from Department of Pennsylvania

Meeting began at 1833. A quorum was present. Opening ceremonies were conducted by the Commandant, Chaplain, and Sgt at Arms.

Roll Call of Officers: All Officers were present or accounted for.

Applications for Membership: None

Adjutant Report: Motion made by Kevin Brown to accept minutes. Seconded by Joe Duquette. Motion Passed.

Correspondence: None

Report of Paymaster: Checking Balance: \$13,706.07

Money Market: \$7,699.35 PayPal: \$0.

Presentation of Expenditures: none

Report of sickness and distress: Frank Diekmann

Report of Officers and standing committees:

Awards Committee: None

Manchester Veterans Council: None

Fundraising: Market Basket on June 29 at both the Hooksett and Bedford Locations raised about \$3,500

Motion made by Frank Diekmann to allow up to \$300 for (4) kits for fundraisers. Seconded by Gary Gahan. Motion Passed.

Membership: All GSD members are recruiters, use the brochures and business cards

Public Relations: Nothing to report

Scouting: 1 new and 1 canceled (no makeup date)

Scholarship: none

VAVS: Bingo first Sunday of every month, volunteers always welcome

Website: Activity has risen on both Facebook page and website

Newsletter: 1st issue to be in September

Fire Team Alpha: BBQ planned for summer. John Jenkins and Judith Jones talked to Manchester Recruiting station poolees.

Fire Team Bravo: Our Facebook page has seen an uptick in Likes and Shares.

Commandant's Goals:

Member Engagement: Increase % of members who participate in Detachment Activities.

Community Support: Who do we want to support? USMC has asked for more funeral detail help from MCL.

Membership: Sustain, increase, get younger

Unfinished Business:

Update By-laws: Abolish term limits, special meeting by email vote by the Board of trustees (BOT), vote for donation also by email updated By-laws to be presented at September meeting

New Business: Jarhead MC Fallen 7 motion made by Judith Jones to donate \$500 Jarhead MC for the families and donate \$500 more to Veterans Count in memorial of the Fallen 7 to help fellow veterans. This will be sent to Jarhead MC on our letterhead informing them and the families of our donations. Seconded by John Petralito. Motion passed with two objecting.

Good of the League: Detachment Activity Report-Report your detachment activities to John Jenkins.

Brian retiring from VA in November maybe the Detachment could present something

Upcoming Events:

10 September 2019 membership meeting at 1830

10 August Poolee cookout

17 August Seacoast cookout

23 August Building dreams for Marines Golf tournament

Last Saturday of every month at 0800 detachment breakfast held at the Airport Diner in Manchester NH

3rd Tuesday of every month at 1130 the "Together We Served" organization holds a luncheon in Rochester NH Contact Frank Diekmann for details.

Meeting ended at 2000. Closing ceremonies were conducted by the Commandant, Chaplain, and Sgt at Arms.

Submitted by: Shawn Carboni, Detachment Adjutant