

Minutes of the Department Convention Committee meeting
October 23, 2009 at Department Headquarters FITG

Chairman PNC Paul Hastings called the meeting to order at 1700

- The Chair asked for a roll call of the committee: All members of the committee were present

Chairman PNC Paul Hastings	Vice Chairman PDC Paul Semanco
Commandant Leanna Dietrich	Sr. Vice Commandant Neil Corley
Judge Advocate Edwin Ringer	Paymaster Kathy Van Gorder
Adjutant Eric E. Fussenegger	Pack Leader PDC Tom Tanner
President, MCLA of PA Pat Engel	District Vice Commandant Gary German
Local Chairman Dave Brady	

Also present were Jr. Vice Gordy Sheriff, Allen Ferguson and Teena Engel.

- The Chair allowed the Vice Chair to give the welcome and opening remarks.
- The Chair called for the minutes of the previous meeting. **A motion was made by Neil Corley and seconded by Gary German to accept the minutes of the June 24th, 2009 Convention committee meeting as written.**
- The Chair called for the minutes of the Local Convention Committee meeting held August 30, 2009. **A motion was made by Sr. Vice Neil Corley and seconded by PDC Tom Tanner to accept the minutes of the August 30th, 2009 committee meeting as written.**

Unfinished Business:

- Report of Local Convention Committee: Per Dave Brady there will be a meeting set up with the local Detachments in January after Toys for Tots is over.
- October Staff meeting Hospitality & assignments: Per Sr. Vice Gordy Sheriff and Dave Brady, everything is set up.
- Roast/Toast of PDC Dick Brown: Everything's set and there are still tickets available if anyone is interested
- Report of Convention Committee Financials: Paymaster Van Gorder reviewed the finances
- Future dates of Staff meetings: Jan 8-10, 2010; Mar 19-20, 2010; Jun 23-27 2010; Oct 22-23, 2010; Jan 7-9, 2011; Mar 17-19, 2011; Jun 22-26, 2011
- National Northeast Division meeting March 26-27, 2010: One of the local Detachments in the Scranton area is manning the Hospitality room

New Business:

- Planned Guests for 2010 Convention: ***We need convention book messages from the Guests***
 - MCL of PA: National Sr. Vice Commandant Vic Voltaggio
 - MCLA of PA: Guest info needed
 - Pack of PA, MODD: Guest info needed
- Suggested Guests to invite for Opening ceremony: TAG, DTAG, VA County Director, Attorney General, Auditor General, State Senator and Representatives from York County, VSO Reps.

- Review and approve Forms to be published: Agenda, Ads, Registration etc.:
 - Convention book ads:
 - **A motion was made by Commandant Leanna Dietrich to eliminate the 1/16th page Ad. The motion was seconded by Neil Corley and the motion passed.**
 - **A motion was made by Sr. Vice Neil Corley to accept all proposed prices for Convention book ads. The motion was seconded by PDC Tom Tanner and the motion passed.**
 - **A motion was made by Commandant Leanna Dietrich whereby the Local Convention Committee Detachments will retain 50% of any commercial ads they sell. The motion was seconded by Sr. Vice Neil Corley and the motion passed.**
 - **A motion was made by Sr. Vice Neil Corley to pick up the costs for the MODD Guest. The motion was seconded by PDC Tom Tanner and the motion passed. Pack Leader PDC Tanner will bring it up with the Dogs at the Growl on Friday 10/23/2009.** The idea is also going to be brought up to the Detachments at the Board meeting on Saturday 10/24/2009 pertaining to all of the other Guests.
 - Fax number to be deleted from Ad form
 - Date to be changed from 2009 to 2010 on Convention agenda and the Delegate registration is to be updated to 2010 dates
- Banquet menu for 2010 convention: Per a request from Sr. Vice Neil Corley, we will postpone a decision on the menu until the January 2010 meeting.
- Friday Evening convention trip or event: ***Everyone is to bring ideas back to the January meeting***
- Entertainment for Convention Banquet: Dave Brady will follow up with Bill Schweigler for ideas.
- Cover for Program book: Local Detachments will submit ideas. Cover must be approved by March 2010.
- Pictures for the Program book: Needed by March 2010 meeting
- 2012 State Convention proposals: Locations for 2012 Convention are going to be entertained. Interested Districts or Detachments must prepare a proposal for the committee.

A motion to adjourn was duly made at 1847 by Sr. Vice Neil Corley and seconded by PNC Paul Hastings to adjourn until the next meeting at 1700 on January 8th, 2010 at the Hollywood Casino. **Motion passed**

Respectfully submitted,

Eric E. Fussenegger, Adjutant, MCL of PA, Inc