

Marine Corps League of Pennsylvania, Inc.
1631 Bridge Street,
New Cumberland, PA 17070

Minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting
March 18, 2011 at the MCL of PA Department HQ Building

The elected Board of Trustees, Marine Corps League of PA, Inc met in Executive session on March 18, 2011

Commandant Leanna Dietrich opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Sgt at Arms Lisa Solarczyk followed by the opening prayer by Chaplain Johnny Gill.

A MOTION was made by Sr. Vice Commandant Neil Corley to appoint PNC Paul Hastings as the Jr Past Commandant for this meeting. Adjutant Eric Fussenegger seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED

A MOTION was made by Sr. Vice Commandant Neil Corley to appoint Don Desantis as the Northeast District Vice Commandant for this meeting. Jr. Vice Commandant Gordy Sheriff seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED

Adjutant Eric Fussenegger called the roll of elected officers as follows:

Commandant Leanna Dietrich, present
Sr. Vice Commandant Neil Corley, present
Jr. Vice Commandant Gordy Sheriff, present
Jr. Past Commandant Dick Brown, excused. PNC Hastings sat in
Judge Advocate Ben Cero, present
Paymaster Allen Ferguson, present
Adjutant Eric Fussenegger, present
Chaplain Johnny Gill, present
Central District Vice Commandant Gary German, present
Northeast District Vice Commandant Edmund Pienta, present
Northwest District Vice Commandant Dave Radaker, excused. Don Desantis sat in
Southeast District Vice Commandant William Miller, present
Southwest District Vice Commandant Jim Walters, present
Others present were: Sgt at Arms Lisa Solarczyk, Aide de Camp Anthony Capelli, Assist. Southwest District Vice Commandant Ed Forster

Minutes of previous meeting: Sr Vice Commandant Neil Corley made the MOTION to approve the minutes of the January 07, 2011 Executive Session which was seconded by Jr. Vice Commandant Gordy Sheriff. MOTION CARRIED

Correspondence:

- Received a card from the Family of SgtMaj John Bodnar who recently passed

Commandant called for any reports/issues from officers present:

- Sr. Vice: Asked for those in office who are looking to step down or change positions and roles to please let him know by the end of the weekend. He also asked about the certifications of the Veteran's advocates.
- Jr. Vice: Asked if there were any quotes coming in pertaining to printing of calendars and V&Y tickets. He also spoke about a better way to sell and track the calendars including putting a number

(not matched to anything inside the envelope) on the exterior of the envelope. He spoke about the budget. He also asked that any pictures for the calendar program for next year be sent in to Angie Heck by the 1st of May.

Sr Vice Commandant Neil Corley made the MOTION to continue using the same printers for the calendars and V&Y tickets for 2012. This MOTION was seconded by Jr. Vice Commandant Gordy Sheriff. MOTION CARRIED

- Jr. Past Commandant: No report
- Judge Advocate: Complimented SWDV Jim Walters for his hard work in the District
- Adjutant: No report
- Paymaster: Reported on membership
- Chaplain: Reported that as of March 13th we had 136 Marines added to the final Roll Call
- Central Vice: Asked about the ability of a member of one of the Detachments to wear a medal from the Spirit of 45? No one knew of this but it was stated that we would ask if anyone else was aware of this medal. It was stated that since there was no mention of it in the MCL Uniform Code that it was probably not authorized for wear with the MCL Uniform
- NW Vice: Nothing to report
- SE Vice: Everything's good
- SW Vice: Handling what he has
- NE Vice: Spoke about Detachments hurting from past Department membership drive program (Each One Reach One)
- PNC Paul Hastings: Spoke about 990 and EIN issues found during the audit of GySgt Ronald E. Baum Detachment.

Sr Vice Commandant Neil Corley made a MOTION for the Department Commandant to send a letter of censure to the Commandant of the GySgt Ronald E. Baum Detachment. This MOTION was seconded by Chaplain Johnny Gill. MOTION CARRIED

PNC Hastings continued and spoke about By-laws changes that had been received thus far, specifically pertaining to redistricting of the Department Districts. There was much discussion on this topic with several of the District Vice Commandants voicing their opinions against this idea.

Unfinished Business:

- New Detachment updates: – No new updates
- Juniata Detachment : Uniform issue response received with the Detachment Commandant thanking the Department for raising their awareness

New Business:

- Appointments
 - Holidaysburg VHAB
 - Reappoint Vincent Fiola

PNC Paul Hastings made a MOTION in favor of the reappointment of Vincent Fiola as listed above. The MOTION was seconded by Jr. Vice Commandant Gordy Sheriff. MOTION CARRIED

- Soldiers and Sailors VHAB
 - Reappoint PDC Raymond Chambers

Sr Vice Commandant Neil Corley made a MOTION in favor of the reappointment of PDC Raymond Chambers as listed above. The MOTION was seconded by Jr. Vice Commandant Gordy Sheriff. MOTION CARRIED

Good of the League

Calendars will be for sale tomorrow

Announcements

Commandants Council – 19 March – 0800

VA Suicide Prevention Hotline

VA Veterans Court

DMVA – Agent Orange and GI Bill changes

Hospitality Room

Next Meeting

Executive Session – 22 June 2011 at 1800, Holiday Inn New Cumberland

Working Party

Department Mailing – 9 April

Convention reports – Due to Commandant by 17 June for copying

Uniform of the Day for 19 March

Short sleeve white shirt

There being no further business, the meeting proceeded to close with the closing prayer by Chaplain Gill and a salute to the Colors.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric E. Fussenegger
Department Adjutant