

**Billy Stelpflug Detachment #1064
Marine Corps League
Business Meeting Minutes**

Date: 06/19/2021
Location: Trinity Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall
Recorded By: Robert Jonson - Commandant

Called to Order: 0730 by Robert Jonson, Commandant

Raffle: \$47.00 won by Charles Block and donated back to the Detachment

Attendance: Officers present: Robert C. Jonson, Commandant
Ron D. Russell, Senior Vice Commandant
Rudy Vuchinich, Adjutant/Paymaster
Harry Hooper, Judge Advocate
John J. Reichmann, Sergeant at Arms
Perry Caldwell, Chaplain
John R. Alums, Junior Past Commandant
Ricardo Garcia, Marine for Life

Offices absent: Michael Carreca, Junior Vice Commandant
Bill Broome, Webmaster

Members present: Bob Jonson, Caleb Pipes, Ray Humphrey (potential new member, email: AU1973alum@gmail.com), Perry Caldwell, Ricardo Garcia, John Reichmann, Rusty Alums, Ron Carson, Harry Waites, Charlie Block, Ron Russell, Earl Allen, Harry Hooper, Gene Stanaland, Lee Kelley, Rudy Vuchinich

New Members: Membership applications were emailed to Ricardo Garcia and Ray Humphrey

Paymaster Report: Current account balance in \$8873.50

Swearing in of officers: All officers were sworn in by the Junior Past Commandant, except for Michael Carreca, Junior Vice Commandant, who was absent

Detachment History input: John Reichmann will email charter members names to Rudy Vuchinich.

USMC Birthday Dinner update: 1) The contract with the Grand National was signed and the cost will be \$2,978.48, which does not include the cost of liquor consumed. There will be a hosted bar which will be paid for by the Commandant, hopefully with some help from others.

2) We will charge each member \$30/person, but the truth cost is closer to \$60/person. We decided we didn't want anyone to avoid coming because it is too expensive, but there again we could use some help.

3) Harry Hooper moved, and Rusty Alums seconded, a motion for our detachment to host the Auburn University MESEPS (Marine enlisted scientific program students) and their wives/dates, but not to host either the Auburn University midshipmen or the Marine Corps ROTC staff who attend our birthday dinner. The motion was approved.

4) Money from our members to pay for our birthday dinner is due to our paymaster, Rudy Vuchinich, by October 31. Our paymaster will keep a list of who has paid.

5) Our detachment is exempt from state sales tax for this event and will save about \$300.00

Search for a new detachment webmaster: Perry Caldwell moved, and Harry Hooper seconded, a motion to allow Rusty Alums to pursue negotiations with Tim Blackman to become our new webmaster. The motion carried.

Status of Detachment Bylaws: Ron Carson has scanned and emailed a PDF version of our proposed detachment bylaws, written by Harry Hooper, Detachment Judge Advocate, and approved by Ricky Pitts, Department Judge Advocate, to each of our members for review. We will vote to approve/revise the bylaws at our next monthly meeting. Please review these and be ready to discuss/vote on them.

Food Bank: After some discussion, the decision was made, without a vote, to continue our detachment's involvement with no changes.

DARE Camp: 1) Ron Russell distributed a sign-up sheet for our members to work the lunches on Monday through Thursday during the week of 28 June.

2) Our detachment will provide ice cream to the DARE Camp from Brusters one day during the week. The cost will be \$300.00 and will be paid through member donations. Please mail your contributions to Billy Stelpflug Detachment, MCL, PO Box 1347, Auburn, AL 36831-1347. If sending a check, please write "DARE Ice Cream" in the "For" space.

3) Ron Russell will tell Rudy Vuchinich to whom to write our detachment check for the ice cream.

Mentoring Program: Ron Russell stated he has received several pledges from our members to assist with developing this program.

Recruiting: Ron Russell addressed the detachment and encouraged each member to wear Marine insignia in their everyday comings and goings and to carry our detachment info cards with them to hand out. He has had personal success encountering folks who initiated conversations with him because he was wearing some Marine Corps/Marine Corps League insignia. Thanks, Ron!

Social: A Detachment Social has been scheduled at Venditori's restaurant for Tuesday, July 13, at 5:30. Inform Earl Allen earl.allen@myops.net or 334 559-9213 if you plan to attend.

Adjourned at 8:50