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

**Date**: 03/20/2021

**Location**: Trinity Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall Recorded By: Rudy Vuchinich – Adjutant/Paymaster

**Called to Order**: 07:35 AM, by Robert C. Jonson – Commandant

**Attendance**: Officers Present: Robert C. Jonson (Commandant)

Ron D. Russell (Senior Vice Commandant) John R. Alums (Junior Past Commandant)

Harry Hooper (Judge Advocate) John J. Reichman (Sergeant at Arms)

Perry Caldwell (Chaplain)

Rudy Vuchinich (Adjutant/Paymaster)

Officers Absent: Kenneth Hill (Junior Vice Commandant)

William J. Broome (Web Sergeant)

Approximately 12 Regular and Associate members and guests were

present.

**New Members**: Charles A. Block, a retired Col., was present and plans to initiate transferring his membership to our Detachment. Chris Richie, an active duty Col., will be active in the Detachment until his retirement from the Marine Corps in Summer, 2022, at which point he will join the Detachment.

Paymaster Report: Current checking account balance is \$9355.26.

**Distinguished Service Awards:** The Commandant presented DSAs to Earl Allen, Rusty Alums, and Ricardo Garcia.

**Election**: The position of Junior Vice Commandant is currently vacant and an election is needed to fill the slot. But no one present volunteered for the position.

**Funeral Detail**: The Funeral Detail for the next six months will be Rusty Alums, Bob Jonson, Ron Russell, and Rudy Vuchinich. They will coordinate with the Marine Reserve Unit in Montgomery.

**Memorial Service**: The memorial service for Jean Weidner will be held on Saturday, March 27, at 2:00 at the Town Creek Cemetery.

**Web Master**: The current Web Master, Bill Broome, will be stepping down from this post this summer. Caleb Pipes will be asked if he is willing to assume the duties.

**Social**: A Detachment Social has been scheduled at Venditori's restaurant for Tuesday, March 30, at 5:30. Inform Rudy Vuchinich at <a href="mailto:rudyvuch@gmail.com">rudyvuch@gmail.com</a> or 205 492-4290 by Tuesday, March 23, if you plan to attend.

Marine4Life: Ricardo Garcia will be the Detachment liaison for the Marine4Life program.

**Golf Tournament**: The Detachment is sponsoring a tee at the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Veterans Golf Classic for the AU Veterans Student Organization. Registration information was sent to members earlier. To be held Tuesday, April 13.

**Department Convention**: The Alabama Department annual convention will be in June. Bob Jonson will be attending. Let Bob know if you will also be attending.

**Annual Membership Cards**: MCL National is in the process of sending out plastic annual membership cards to the Detachment. The cards will be distributed when they are received.

**New Detachment Bylaws**: Judge Advocate Harry Hooper drafted new bylaws for the detachment, which will be distributed to members and then will be voted on at a future meeting.

**Food Bank**: The Food Bank is going to reinitiate their volunteer work shifts. The Detachment will resume sending volunteers on the second Wednesday of the month. Rusty Alums will send out an email as the date approaches.

What Does It Mean to be a Marine: Commandant Jonson read a moving statement composed by Gene Stanaland about what it means to be a Marine. The statement will appear in local newspapers.

**Raffle**: \$50.00 won by John Reichman and donated to the Detachment

Adjourned at 8:50 by Robert Jonson, Commandant