

DUNES LEATHERNECKS DETACHMENT #1056  
MARINE CORPS LEAGUE MEETING MINUTES  
01/05/2026

**OPENING CEREMONY**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY COMMANDANT VALENZUELA. THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED, FOLLOWED BY PRAYER BY CHAPLAIN.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE WERE: 31 MEMBERS

**ROLL CALL OF DETACHMENT OFFICERS**

COMMANDANT – PRESENT  
SR. VICE COMMANDANT – PRESENT  
JR. VICE COMMANDANT – PRESENT  
JR. PAST COMMANDANT – PRESENT  
PAYMASTER – PRESENT  
ADJUTANT – PRESENT  
JUDGE ADVOCATE – PRESENT  
CHAPLAIN – PRESENT  
SERGEANT-AT-ARMS – PRESENT (SAM GOVERNALE)

**APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP: NONE**

**INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS/GUESTS:**

**ADJUTANT'S REPORT**

ADJUTANTS REPORT WAS GIVEN. MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORT AS READ. A SECOND MOTION WAS CARRIED OUT. NO DISCUSSION AND REPORT WAS APPROVED AS READ. A BINDER WITH CURRENT MINUTES, ROSTER, PAYMASTER'S REPORT AND 1<sup>ST</sup> SOURCE BANK STATEMENTS WITH COPIES OF ALL CHECKS WRITTEN IS ALWAYS AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING.

**PAYMASTER'S REPORT**

DAN TOLSON GAVE THE PAYMASTER'S REPORT. MOTION MADE TO ACCEPT PAYMASTER'S REPORT AS READ. SECOND MOTION WAS CARRIED OUT. REPORT WAS APPROVED AS READ.

**CORRESPONDANCE(S)**

HILLTOP SEND A THANK YOU CARD FOR THE TFT CHRISTMAS GIFTS. VALPARAISO COMMUNITY SCHOOLS SEND A THANK YOU CARD FOR OUR \$1,000.00 DONATION FOR THE VALPARAISO LUNCH PROGRAM.

**REPORT OF ANY MEMBER OR MEMBER'S FAMILY SICK OR DISTRESS**

NONE

**REPORT OF OFFICERS**

COMMANDANT VALENZUELA GAVE A SHORT REPORT ON OUR UPCOMING GOLF OUTING FOR OUR FOOD PANTRIES. GOLF OUTING IS 07/18/2026 AT 9:00 AM. GOLF COMMITTEE MEMBERS WERE MENTIONED.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

TFT'S COMMITTEE MEETING AFTER ACTION REPORT WILL BE 01/13/2026, 5:50 PM AT AMERICAN LEGION POST #94. 2923 KIDS WERE HELPED. HILLTOP GOT 42 BOXES OF TOYS WITH 231 KIDS HELPED.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

NONE

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

NONE

**NEW BUSINESS:** TWO (2) BASEBALL YOUTH TEAMS SPONSORED BY OUR DETACHMENT FOR \$750.00. COMMANDANT VALENZUELA GAVE A REPORT.

**GOOD OF THE LEAGUE:**

JIM ATKINSON SPOKE ON THE NOON KIWANIS RAMP PROGRAM. MOTION AND VOTE FOR \$2,500.00. MOTION SECOND AND PASSED. JIM IS SO THANKFUL.

DAN TALKED ABOUT SPRING CONFERENCE MARCH 14 & 15 AT PLAINFIELD, IN.

VIETNAM VETERANS' RECOGNITION DAY AT POST #94 IS THURSDAY, MARCH 22, 2026 AT 12:00 NOON.

**CLOSING CEREMONY**

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS RETIRED THE COLORS. CHAPLAIN LED THE DETACHMENT IN PRAYER. THE MEETING WAS DECLARED CLOSED UNTIL 1900 HOURS 02/02/2026 WHERE IT WILL BE REOPENED FOR THE TRANSACTION OF OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

RESECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

JIM ATKINSON, ADJUTANT  
MARINE CORPS LEAGUE – DUNES LEATHERNECKS DETACHMENT #1056