



Major B.F. Hickey Detachment 57

DATE: 9/08/2016 **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 1903**

Officers Present:

X Commandant _X_ Sr. Vice./Webmaster _X_ Jr. Vice.
X Sgt At Arms _X_ Judge Adv. ___Chaplain
X Adjutant _X_ Paymaster
X Corpsman ___Jr. Past Commandant

AWARDS

- None

APPLICATION FOR NEW MEMBERSHIP

- Marine Eric Hopkins, who attended our last meeting as a guest, has submitted his Membership Application, DD-214, and first year dues, and was properly inducted into the Detachment. Welcome Aboard Marine Hopkins!

- Mr. Lonnie Winbush, 16 year Marine Corps Veteran, is attending tonight's meeting as a guest of Jr. Vice Cmdnt. Bostrom.
 - Was a member of Detachment 54, but their meeting schedule was not compatible with his work schedule.

CORRESPONDENCE

- The DAV sent out information concerning VA Disability Reform Legislation that is in the works in the U.S. House Veterans Affairs Committee. This information will be circulated to the Detachment via Email by the Adjutant.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

- Posted Online at www.stpetemcl.org
 - Motion to waive reading of the Minutes made by Marine Pate
 - Motion Seconded by Marine Gluck
 - **Motion Passes**

REPORT OF SICK

- Marine Bob Brass, life member of our Detachment, has passed away.
- Chaplain Phil Calhoun's wife was in a car wreck, and Phil is taking care of her 24/7.
- Marine Ken Friend's daughter had to go in for a brain scan today.

- The Commandant reminds the Detachment to keep all of those who have recently lost someone in their minds, and to check in on them now and again.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

Commandant:

- Our Detachment had a full page add in the program at the National Convention, and also receive our Detachment Streamer for sending a representative.
 - Though we are one of the smaller Detachments in Florida, we were the only ones to take out a large add.
- Biggest change from National this year: Effective August 2017, all membership renewal dues will be due, except Life Members obviously.
 - Dues will be due on 30 August of every year henceforth.

Sr. Vice:

- We gave the WWAR a check for \$5,000 at the Alive Ride event today.
 - They have now raised over \$100,000
- It is possible that the WWAR can get some of the \$250,000 oil spill money received by Pinellas County.

Jr. Vice:

- Membership Role is getting straightened out, and we are continuing to recruit and work on retention.

Jr. Past Commandant:

- No Report

Paymaster:

- Report of the Paymaster
 - End of Day Balance 10 August 2016 - \$6,739.48
 - Total Deposits - \$5,160.00
 - Expenditures – \$804.53
 - We did write a \$5,000 to WWAR today.
 - End of Day Balance 7 September 2016 – \$11,094.95
 - Actual Check Book Balance – \$6,094.95
 - Motion to accept Report of Paymaster made by Marine Cannon
 - Motion Seconded by Marine Dailey
- Motion Passes**

Adjutant:

- No Report

REPORT OF COMMITTEES

Rose Sale:

- Upcoming Rose Sales:
 - October 2nd at the Publix on 38th Avenue North and 4th Street North.
 - October 29th at the St. Pete Saturday Market
 - December 17 at the St. Pete Saturday Market.

Car Show:

- Marine Oudendyk – Thanks Marine Cannon for getting the Car Show a full page add in the Bivouac at NO COST! Way to go Bob.
- We were asked to do the 50/50 at Tropicana, but then the Hurricane came through, so we did not go.
- We have been offered the opportunity to run the 50/50 at a car show at Quaker Steak and Lube on 66th Street North on September 18th. Show time is 1100 hours for those Marines that want to work the event.
 - Sr. Vice Cmdnt. Cooper recently obtained a very nice Detachment Banner for us to use during such events as these, Rose Sales, Etc.
- We have 85 Trophy Sponsorships left to sell.
 - Deadline to turn in Sponsorships is 15 October 2016.

VAVS

- We are all set up to do our usual cake ceremony and other festivities at the Community Living Center at Bay Pines VA for the Birthday Ball on Nov. 10th. The fun begins at 1200 hours, and last no more than two hours.
- Unattended burial services were again well attended this month.
 - Some representatives from the VA in DC were in attendance, as was Channel 8 News.

Boy Scout Committee:

- No Report

Marine Corps Ball Committee:

- November 10th has been confirmed as the Date.
- Sr. Vice Cmdnt. Cooper. – We are going to meet with American Legion Post #273 next Wednesday, and will get final numbers and menu choices at that time.
- We will start selling tickets toward the end of next week - beginning of the following week.
 - We do not anticipate that tickets will exceed \$25

Pistol Shoot:

- Marine Gluck – We WILL be shooting this Saturday, 11 September 2016 from 1000 – 1100 hours at the Wyoming Antelope Club.
- We now have Detachment Coffee Mugs for sale for \$10

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Former Marines of the Year, please make your nominations for this year's Marine of the Year to Chaplain Calhoun.

NEW BUSINESS

- None

GOOD OF THE LEAGUE

- Marine Cannon – There is an Honor Flight returning to the St. Petersburg/Clearwater Airport on 20 September 201 at 2000 hours for those Marines that would be interested in attending.
- Corpsman Errico – Recently went on a trip to San Francisco, and stayed at the Marine Corps Memorial Club and Hotel.
 - Stayed there for \$100 less than any other place in town, and the place was Fabulous.
 - If you actually join the club for \$200 per year, they offer reciprocity with other places around the world.
 - For additional information, visit www.marineclub.com

Guest Speaker: Mr. Lonnie Winbush – Westcare Florida

- Mr. Winbush works with the Veterans Treatment Court here in Pinellas County, and is here seeking Veterans to serve as mentors for those Veterans in the Veterans Treatment Court System.
 - Most Veterans in the Veterans Treatment Court System suffer from PTSD, Drug, Alcohol, and/or homelessness issues.
 - Pinellas County is currently working on getting a Veterans Only Pod established at the County Jail.
- There is classroom training that must be completed prior to serving as a mentor, which is usually offered every 3-6 months.
- It is requested that all prospective mentors be willing to serve for a minimum of one hour per week for a period of six months.
- All prospective mentors must pass a Level 2 Background Check.

- If you would be interested in attending Veterans Court to see what it is all about, the next sessions will be held on 19 September and 26 September from 0930 to 1300.
 - Located on the 4th Floor in Courtroom 10 of the Pinellas Criminal Justice Center located at 14250 49th Street North.
- If you are interested in serving as a mentor, please contact Lonnie Winbush at 617-448-6496 or via Email at lonnie.winbush@yahoo.com

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- On 1 October 2016, there will be a Veteran Softball Game benefiting the Veterans Treatment Court. The Event is from 1000 – 1500 hours at Woodlawn Park, 1450 16th Street North.
 - Please Contact Lonnie Winbush if you would like to attend.
- The Commandant request that All Marines please plan to attend the Birthday Ball. It is important that you come.
- All Marines should keep an eye on their Email for Upcoming Events, Meeting Reminders, etc.

NEXT MEETING = Thursday, 13 October 2016 at 1900 hours.

- Closing Ceremony Performed.

CLOSING TIME: 2015