



BRAZOS VALLEY DETACHMENT #1391

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Meeting Minutes of February 8, 2016

LOCATION: Kreuz Market Bryan, 768 N Earl Rudder Fwy, Bryan, TX 77802

OFFICERS PRESENT: Commandant John McGuire; Sr Vice Commandant Thorin Moser; Jr Vice Commandant John Withers; Paymaster Glenn Burnside; Chaplain Doug Crabtree; Jr Past Commandant David Sahn

OFFICERS ABSENT: Adjutant Leo Rivera; Sergeant-at-Arms Chris Paulson; Web Sergeant Ed Holcomb

OPENING CEREMONY: The meeting was called to order at 18:57

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP: None

GUESTS: None

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Minutes not available.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

REPORT OF THE PAYMASTER:

- o Processed eight Life Memberships in last 45 days
- o Checking: \$5,483.97
 - Large balance is result of influx of Life Membership dues
 - Since membership dues will be submitted to MCL National, balance does not reflect actual funds available
- o Savings: \$1,253.11
- o Only outstanding fee at the time is annual post office box fee of ~\$82.00
- o Received anonymous donation of \$600.00 to purchase the Harry Bruce "Retreat Hell" award to be given at TAMU Commissioning ceremony in May 2016

REPORT OF SICK/INJURED MEMBER OR FAMILY: None

REPORT OF OFFICERS:

- Senior Vice Commandant report:
 - o Working on location and date/time for Detachment hike
 - o Confirmed the Mrs. Dottie Bruce will be present at the TAMU Commissioning ceremony ~May 13 with her son
- Junior Vice Commandant report:
 - o Attended Sul Ross Valentines for Vets with Marine Olivia Burnside
- Staff Judge Advocate report: Nothing significant to report
- Junior Past Commandant report: Nothing significant to report
- Chaplain report: Family of Sam Gresham, a Marine supporting operations in Syria, asked the detachment to be thinking of him
 - o Marine Olivia Burnside suggested submitted his name and address for troop boxes from American Legion



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REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

- Programs Committee

- o TAMU Professor of Naval Science and the TAMU Semper Fidelis Society presented at the February meeting
 - Col James Bright - Professor of Naval Science
 - Major Jason Morgan - Marine Officer Instructor
 - MSgt Victor Ortiz - Assistant Marine Officer Instructor
 - SSgt Andrew Wood - President, Semper Fidelis Society
 - GySgt Matthew Arias-Mendez - Semper Fidelis Society
 - Sgt Marcel Howard - Semper Fidelis Society
- o Roy Robinson confirmed to present at the March monthly meeting on the bombing of the Marine Barracks in Beirut
 - LtGen John Miller may be present as well

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Upcoming calendar events

- o Feb 27 Texas Concealed Handgun Licensing Class
- o Mar 9 Det Leadership meeting
- o Mar 14 Regular meeting: officer elections/Program: Marine Barracks Beirut
- o Apr 11 Regular meeting: officer installation
- o Apr RSS College Station Poolee function
- o May 13 Harry Bruce "Retreat Hell" Mameluke sword award presentation
- o Jul 4 Chappell Hill 4th of July parade; Bush Library Celebration
- o Nov 10 USMC Birthday
- o Nov 11 Veterans Day
- o Dec Make-A-Smile-Happen (MASH); Det Christmas party

NEW BUSINESS:

- Commandant McGuire presented current nomination slate for officer elections in March:
 - o Election for current slate of elected officers will take place at the March detachment meeting
 - o If interested in nominating someone or in serving as an officer, then please contact Commandant John McGuire
 - o Current nominations:
 - Commandant John McGuire
 - Sr Vice Doug Tennis
 - Jr Vice Doug Crabtree
 - Paymaster Glenn Burnside
 - Staff Judge Advocate Roger Martinez
 - Adjutant Thorin Moser
 - Chaplain Cary Tennis
 - Sergeant at Arms *pending nominee*
 - Web Sergeant Ed Holcomb
 - o District 5 Vice Commandant James Andrews confirmed to conduct elected officer installations at April 11 monthly detachment meeting

GOOD OF THE CORPS:



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- License to Carry course on February 27 in Millican
 - o Course cost: \$65
 - o License application cost: \$25 for military veterans
 - o Fingerprints: \$10 (*be sure to schedule an appointment*)
 - o If interested or need more information, then contact Marine Doug Tennis at dougtennis@starliteadvisorygroup.com
- Brazos Valley Veteran Memorial
 - o Pavers along walkway are available
 - If interested, then contact Paymaster Glenn Burnside or Jr Past Commandant David Sahn. Or visit www.bvvm.org
 - o Future monument will feature Marines in the Battle of Chapultapec
 - Sculpture pending final design
 - Tentative dedication date - September 2017
 - Detachment will be well served if involved in sculpture funding
 - Detachment would be represented as sculpture supporter
 - Detachment donation will need to be significant and will require large scale fundraiser
 - Ideas and volunteers are welcome!

CLOSING CEREMONY: The meeting concluded at 20:10.

Meeting Attendees:

Glenn Burnside
Olivia Burnside
Bill Collopy
Doug Crabtree
Roger Martinez
John McGuire
Maggie McGuire
Thorin Moser
David Sahn
Wade Smith
Keith Stephens
Doug Tennis
Benny Vallejo
Sherry Vallejo
John Withers