

8 July 2017
Meeting Time: 1000-1200
Location: Hoover Tactical Firearms



THE LT. GEN. VICTOR "BRUTE" KRULAK DETACHMENT OF THE MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

Business Meeting Minutes

July 8, 2017

[REVISED PURSUANT TO DETACHMENT VOTE ON 9 JUNE 2018]

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ATTENDANCE - 41

I. OPENING CEREMONY

- Sr. Vice Commandant Valentin called the meeting to order at 10:00AM.
- Jeff Bacon led the color guard in the posting of the colors.
- Harvey Jones gave the invocation.

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II. OFFICER/TRUSTEE REPORTS

- A. **Commandant** – Fernando Valentin (krulak.commandant@gmail.com)
- The June meeting minutes were approved.
 - There were no guests in attendance.
 - There were no new members to be sworn in.
 - Recognized Tom Krebs for spearheading the outreach from our detachment regarding HB440.
- B. **Sr. Vice Commandant** – Carol Higgins (krulak.srvic@gmail.com)
- No report
- C. **Jr. Vice Commandant** – Al Barfield (krulak.jrvic@gmail.com)
- No report
- D. **Judge Advocate** – Tom Krebs (krulak.judgeadvocate@gmail.com)
- Governor Ivey signed HB440, which was passed on May 4th.
 - Never has there been such a speedy act passed by the Alabama legislature.
 - There were no dissenting votes.
 - It is the first bill of its kind in the country.

E. **Paymaster** – David Landier (krulak.paymaster@gmail.com)

- We currently have \$23,044 in the bank.
- We currently have 153 current members.
- Everyone’s dues are due now - \$30

F. **Chaplain** – John Simmons (krulak.chaplain@gmail.com)

- Absent

G. **Adjutant** – Jessica Findley (krulak.adjutant@gmail.com)

- Made a motion for the detachment to pay for a full-page ad in the program for national convention. She provided a copy of the proposed ad, which included information about Shoot with the Brutes. John O’Malley asked that the ad be modified to showcase our detachment’s Marine of the Year, Associate of the Year and Recruiter of the Year.
- Will start working on a detachment brochure per DC Scivley’s recommendation.
- Took note of those members who are not receiving Brute Blasts.
- If anyone would like information sent out in a Brute Blast, send all details and accompanying pictures/graphics to krulak.adjutant@gmail.com.

H. **Jr. Past Commandant** – Ed Smith, Jr. (krulak.jrpast@gmail.com)

- Absent

I. **Sergeant-At-Arms** – Jeff Bacon (krulak.sgtatarms@gmail.com)

- No report

III. **GUEST SPEAKER: BRUTE CLYDE PENDLETON**

- Brute Pendleton shared an engaging and emotional presentation showcasing his recent trip to the South Pacific Islands of Saipan, Tinian, Guam and Iwo Jima.
- He encouraged everyone to take the trip.
- There didn’t seem to be a dry eye in the room through his presentation.
- He also gave each member in attendance a small sample of sand from the beaches of Iwo Jima.

IV. **COMMITTEE/SQUAD REPORTS**

A. “Second Chance” Gun Donation Drawing (David Landier)

- We still need members to step up to collect donations for the gun drawing.
- Flyers can be downloaded from the website on the home page or under the “Events/Fundraisers” tab. You can then print them. Otherwise request digital or print copies of the flyer from Jessica Findley (krulak.adjutant@gmail.com)
- Request tickets from David Landier (krulak.paymaster@gmail.com)

B. Shoot with the Brutes (David Landier)

- Reminder that Shoot with the Brutes will be held on Saturday, October 28th, at Brock’s Gap Training Center. Shooting will begin at 1000 and will end at 1700.
- The main goal of Shoot with the Brutes is to expose our detachment to the public. Fundraising is secondary.
- There is a committee meeting after the detachment meeting today.

- We are looking to partner with other organizations/detachments whereby they receive half of the proceeds of any tickets they sell.

C. Three Hots and a Cot/Veteran Projects/Outreach (Don Lehman)

- We had a great time working with Home Depot helping them to make a Navy vet's home accessible. Rick Sayers, Robin Schaefer, Bob Simpson, ~~Don Lehman, Matt Bein and Oather Alred~~ all helped out.
- Considering having an appreciation day for Hoover Tactical staff and invite first responders and police officers. Perhaps a cookout at HTF after one of the detachment meetings.
- We will be signing birthday cards again for the guys at the Three Hots house.
- Will be having another household goods drive soon.

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D. National Cemetery/Veterans Memorial Park (Don Brooks)

- ~~No report~~

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E. Lillian Jones

- Thanked Tweety Byrd and Don Brooks for helping her at the Flag Day ceremony at the Pelham Civic Center.

F. Birthday Ball Committee

- The detachment's Marine Corps Birthday Ball will be held on Friday, November 10th, at The Club. More details coming soon.

G. Scholarship Committee

- The scholarship committee will be meeting to draft a scholarship application and work on criteria for selection.
- Sarah Kate Higgins has been nominated for a scholarship.

V. **OLD BUSINESS**

A. Brute Bash (Picnic)

- The annual picnic will be held at the Indian Springs Village Town Hall Pavilion on Saturday, August 12th, from 11am - 3pm.
- Let an officer know if you can attend. You can also sign up via the website.
- Feel free to bring a snack or an activity to share.

B. National Convention

- The National Convention will be held August 14th-18th in Overland Park, Kansas.
- Brute O'Malley and Sr. Vice Commandant Higgins will be representing our detachment.

VI. **FOR THE GOOD OF THE DETACHMENT**

A. State Convention

- Commandant Valentin gave a brief report on the State Convention

B. Detachment Outreach

- Commandant Valentin announced that the Howlin' Mad Smith Detachment will be hosting a golf tournament in October and encouraged our detachment to participate as a sponsor or by putting together a foursome to play.

C. Lamar Scott Support

- Lamar Scott is a MCL member from Georgia who has a travelling military display.
- Brute O'Malley made a motion to support him with a \$250 donation and to see if we can get him to bring his display to the Hoover School System.
- The motion passed.

VII. DONATION DRAWING

- All of the money brought in from the donation drawing goes in the scholarship fund.

VIII. RETIRING OF THE COLORS/ADJOURNMENT

- Harvey Jones gave the closing prayer.

****NEXT OFFICIAL DETACHMENT MEETING WILL BE SEPTEMBER 9, 2017****

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Submitted by

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Adjutant