



North Carolina Council of Chapters



Agenda for the NCCOC Meeting
09 February 2023
1000, hours

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10:00 - CALL TO ORDER: Council President CW4 Jay E Garbus, USA (Ret)

ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM Chapter represented and Council officers.

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TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Col Ken Hillman, USMC (Ret)

PRESIDENT REPORT – CW4 Jay E, Garbus

1. Level of Excellence (LOE) submission to the President by COB 14 April 2023
2. LOE to National by May.
3. October - 5th4th **Quarter Meeting on Zoom** - Election of council officers

MEMBERSHIP - 1st Vice President CDR Kenneth Klassen, USN (Ret)

CRUISE UPDATE - CDR Kenneth Klassen

1. embroidery

SATELLITE CHAPTERS – COL Jim Brumit

ADVOCACY: 2nd Vice President LCDR Mark Sandvigen, USN (Ret)

SURVIVING SPOUSE: Dr. Vivianne Wersel, D. Aud., (SSL)

OPEN FLOOR - Discussion

ADJOURNMENT: President

- Note agenda can change during the meeting.

All meeting on Zoom except November

March – 9th 1 hour

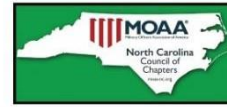
* April – 5th **2nd Quarter Meeting**

May – 3rd 1 hour

Jun – 1st 1 hour



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July - 6th 1 hour

* August – 3rd **3rd Quarter Meeting**

September – 21st 1 hour

October - 5th 1 hour **4th Quarter Meeting** - election of council officers on Zoom.

* November -11th and Annual Meetings on Cruise 5 days

December – 16th 1 hour (Note: Saturday)

Minutes of the 7 January 2023 NCCOC Quarterly Meeting

The Quarterly meeting of the NCCOC was held on Zoom on 7 January, 2023.

The meeting was called to order by President CW4 Jay Garbus, USA (Ret) at 1009. Roll call was taken visually and with each attendee introducing himself.

No quorum was present despite 15 attendees.

Minutes were postponed until the next meeting.

Treasurer Col. Ken Hillman, USMC (Ret) presented the treasurer's report. See three attachments.

First Vice President CDR Ken Klassen, USN (Ret) gave a brief tutorial on filling out the semi-annual report which has a new format. Six chapters have already completed it, and 2 of them are correct on the website in the Backroom. They are New River and SENCLand Chapters.

There are 70 guests currently registered for the cruise. The cruise is open to family and guests, whether they are military or not.

Jay introduced the guest speaker CAPT Frank Michael, USN (Ret), Program Director, Council and Chapter Affairs, MOAA. Refer to slides attached. Key points:

- Harris Communication Award portal is open until 1 February.
- 2023 Monthly Roundtable Discussion Schedule is online, usually the 4th Thursday.
- 29 Chapters were closed in 2022, most because of no one willing to hold offices
- Evergreen workbook can be downloaded.
- Council initiatives that are working to grow membership were presented.

COL Herb Segal, USA (Ret) mentioned that a new satellite in Wake Forest will meet 15 April at the American Legion #187. He also asked why JROTC units are being closed down, even the flagship unit at Sanderson High School in Raleigh. Capt. Michael will look into it.

After a break, Capt. Michael presented a 30-minute Leadership Training with slides.

The meeting adjourned at 1200.



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Minutes of the 19 January NCCOC Board Meeting

The Quarterly meeting of the NCCOC was held on Zoom on 19 January, 2023. The meeting was called to order by President CW4 Jay Garbus, USA (Ret) at 1003. Roll call was taken visually. A quorum was present.

Col. Walt Havenstein, USMC (Ret) moved to approve the minutes of the November annual meeting.

COL Herb Segal, USA (Ret) seconded it and the motion passed.

COL Herb Segal moved to accept the treasurers report and COL Walt Havenstein seconded it. The motion passed.

CDR Ken Klassen, USN (Ret) reported on Membership.

- Recruiting is going well in North Carolina. Eight chapters have submitted their semi-annual reports which are posted on the website. The six remaining chapters need to submit theirs by the end of January. CAPT Doug Ehrhardt, USN (Ret) or Ken can help with the new format if needed.
- Chapter dues invoices have been sent out and dues should be sent to treasurer Col. Ken Hillman, USMC (Ret).
- There are 81 people signed up for the cruise. Logo apparel is available from the Queensboro Company online. More information coming soon.
- CAPT Frank Michael, USN (Ret) attended the 7 January virtual meeting as a National Representative, but now virtual meetings don't count as a national visit. Jay will look into this.
- There will be a new CM in the next few weeks.
- 29 chapters have folded. Minimum membership is 20 for a chapter and 10 for a satellite. Lack of leadership is also a problem.
- Advocacy in Action is April 25 and 26 and all chapter presidents and legislative chairs are encouraged to attend. Ken Klassen is going. National has a stipend for travel.
- AMS will replace the CM in the 2nd Quarter with training on the new form.
- Recruiting materials are available at no charge.
- Triangle Chapter will have a 60th Anniversary this year and Charlotte-Metrolina Chapter is celebrating 50 years and Lt. Gen. Brian T. Kelly, USAF (Ret) will attend. Save the date for 6 April, 2023.

COL Jim Brumit, USA (Ret) reported on Satellite initiative.

- Triangle Chapter and Piedmont Chapter have Meet and Greets scheduled.
- Recommend having a Project Manager for the satellite work.



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- Consider using the facilities of a Veterans organization for the meet and greets. Often there is no charge to use them.
- National will send out postcards to prospective members.
- \$300 is available from National and \$100 from the Council to satellite work.
- NC Council is the first to use the satellite model to increase membership instead of as a way to save a dying chapter.
- Contact each base for policy on satellite recruitment. Fort Bragg and Camp LeJeune do not allow, but Elizabeth City Coast Guard does allow notifications.
- Capt. Donna Culp, USAF (FMR) said that she can't get the Black Mountain Satellite off her CM, but they are trying to revive it. National does not have procedure for closing a satellite.

COL Jim Brumit reported that DOD is proposing changes to TriCare for Life, requiring a charge for it. Write to senators and representatives to object to the change. This information was in the MOAA magazine online. CW4 Jay Garbus will get the link and send to all.

Open Floor: COL Rich Underwood, USA (Ret) said that CAPT Frank Michael discussed the proposed change to TriCare for Life. Discussion on the cost of healthcare, increased cost of Medicare and Express Scripts versus TriCare for Life being a contract which we signed up for and deserve.

The meeting adjourned.