

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF MEMBERS  
COASTAL CAROLINA FOP LODGE 12

A regular Meeting of the Members of Coastal Carolina FOP Lodge 12 was held on February 22, 2024 at the Red Robin Restaurant, 1218 N Retail Court, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577.

The Meeting was Called to Order at 7:00 pm by President KC Canterbury.

The Body stood for the Invocation by Chaplain George Martin, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Lodge was then declared Open for Business by President KC Canterbury, who conducted the Roll Call of Officers:

President KC Canterbury - Present  
Vice President Tim Troxell - Excused (Family Matter)  
2nd Vice President Chris Schick - Present  
Recording Secretary Jade Pike - Absent ~~Work~~  
Secretary Jim Tolman - Excused (Church Obligation)  
Treasurer Dave Pfeifer - Excused (Vacation)  
Sgt-at-Arms Wayne Wells - Present

President Canterbury announced that prior to proceeding to the Regular Order of Business there would be a short presentation regarding a program of interest. Jacob Lee, President of SC Mental Health for Heroes spoke. Mr. Lee is a 15 year Georgetown Fire Paramedic and 15 year SWAT Paramedic. He created this Not for Profit organization in response to his concerns about a lack of local resources to treat addictions and PTSD for First Responders and Veterans. Before this organization was formed, addiction and PTSD treatment services were performed in Florida. This required treatment as inpatient services; SC Mental Health for Heroes provides services locally on 44th Avenue North, including neuro feedback, neuro stimulation and other treatments. All services are confidential (not shared with employers), and are provided by medical doctors and dr/psychologists. At present, the majority of funding for the organization is through donations, but Mr. Lee anticipates that the organization will soon begin applying for grants. Mr. Lee noted that it was necessary to wait 2 years after being formed as a Not for Profit organization before being qualified to apply for such grants. The Membership was attentive but asked no questions at the end of the presentation. Mr. Lee left his contact information with President Canterbury and invited calls with questions or requests for assistance.

President Canterbury requested a Motion regarding the Minutes of the last Meeting. Sgt-at-Arms Wayne Wells Made a Motion that the Minutes of the last Meeting be accepted without a Reading of the Minutes. Karen Deane Seconded the Motion. There was no discussion. The Motion carried on a Unanimous Voice Vote.

President Canterbury introduced two new applications for Membership:  
Tom Evans, active MBPD, sponsored by President Canterbury

Lou Possanza, Retired, Diplomatic Security Services, sponsored by Ed Gavin  
Mr. Possanza was present, introduced himself, and made a short statement describing his law enforcement experience.

President Canterbury requested a Motion regarding the applications for Membership. Stephanie Vanderpool Made a Motion to Accept the Applications for Membership. Ed Gavin Seconded the Motion. There was no discussion. The Motion Carried by Unanimous Voice Vote.

President's Report: KC Canterbury reported that there is a new SC State FOP President. He and the new President have had numerous conversations gearing up for the upcoming statewide conference, recruitment planning, etc.

2nd Vice President's Report: Chris Schick reported about new emails being sent to local departments, promoting FOP membership

Sgt-at-Arms Report: Wayne Wells reported on Members ill or in distress: Bob Budner, who is also Chaplain to the Blue Knights has been ill. Karen and John Deane's Grandson remains in the hospital. President Canterbury requested that we continue to send prayers to Jim Tolman and his family; his daughter is still experiencing problems due to the infection she contracted.

Chaplain's Report: George Martin reported that he sent a Sympathy card to a Member whose Father passed away 2 weeks ago. He requested that anyone who receives information regarding Members ill or in distress to let him know.

President Canterbury introduced Committee Reports, noting that there is only one active Committee at this time.

The IT Committee report was presented by Ed Gavin. He is currently continuing to catch up the Member Roster, adding changes and updates in information reported by Members. The response to the card mailed to Members with their FOP cards and stickers has been "fair"; every response has reported changes in information. Email information will be added to the email subscriber list being created. The email system was populated with the addresses of the E-Board and a test message was sent. Stephanie Vanderpool created a header with the SCFOP 12 logo for the emails.

Stephanie Vanderpool reported that both of the Facebook pages are being updated regularly, and a number of responses and emojis have been received. The posts are being noticed by other FOP Lodges, which are making positive responses and have even asked if they can copy some posts to their own pages. She invited Members to send comments: do like what they see, what they would like to see, any suggestions they may have. She also commented that it has been very challenging to get up to speed on making changes to the webpage due to the complete lack of cooperation by the website designer.

President Canterbury interjected that he has some issues with the webpage designer as well, and that original documents provided to them for inclusion as webpage content (contact application form) have not been returned; these documents are the property of the Lodge and FOP, not the webpage



designer, Gingalley. He is considering contacting a local attorney who has been of assistance in prior matters (on a pro bono basis). He asked the IT Committee to provide him with information and/or questions that need to be addressed so that he can discuss them with the attorney.

President Canterbury stated that the State Lodge had received a report of threats to law enforcement. If any Members become aware of any threats to law enforcement, you are asked to report to the E-Board.

President Canterbury also noted that as of June, we will once again have to find a new location to hold meetings, as the Red Robin is not available June, July and August. He looked into the possibility of Fuddruckers, which would be happy to host the Lodge's meetings, but it does not have room that can be closed off for privacy. He stated that the March meeting would be held at Red Robin, then we would need to make the move to a new location. Sgt-at-Arms Wayne Wells suggested that we should return to the Church and advise Members to bring their own meals.

President Canterbury described progress on the planning efforts for the State Convention, scheduled for September 28-29, 2024 at the North Shore Hotel on 75th Avenue North. They are very welcoming and fully cooperative with FOP's efforts to make the Convention an enjoyable one. Current plans include music for one night, a Shrimp Boil, and a training program. He is looking into the costs for a training program. The amount sent from the State Lodge is down from \$7500 to \$6000. This is partially due to the State Lodge's Bingo income being shut down for a year. VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to staff the event.

Current fundraising is down. President Canterbury reported that he contacted Angelo Antonucci (Angelo's Steak and Pizza), who is a big supporter of FOP and usually donates \$6-10K annually. His restaurant is for sale and he has to cut back this year, and he complained that he had been promised the inside back cover of a special magazine published by the fundraising company that is contracted to the Lodge for fundraising, but he never received a copy of the magazine. In fact, KC reports that he has never seen the magazine and doubts that it was ever published as represented. He is going to contact the company in NJ and demand copies of the magazines they have published. This may be a matter of them failing to carry out the promises they have made. A report on telephone solicitation results by the professional fundraiser will be made next month.

President Canterbury went on to present the current bills, which is only the storage unit. He is looking for a new unit. If anyone has suggestions, please let him know. The unit does not have to be climate controlled. Chris Schick Made a Motion to authorize payment of the storage unit bill. The Motion was Seconded by Ed Gavin, There was no discussion. The Motion Carried by unanimous voice vote.

There were no communications from the floor  
There were no communications from the E-Board.

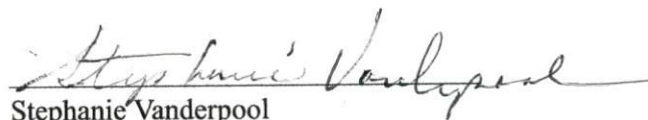
President Canterbury reminded the Members that at the March Meeting, nominations for E-Board positions will be accepted. Elections will be held at the April Meeting.

There being no further business, Ed Gavin Made a Motion to Adjourn.

The Members stood as Chaplain George Martin offered the Benediction at 7:39pm.

President Canterbury declared the Meeting Adjourned and all Lodge Business Closed at 7:40p.,

Submitted by:

  
Stephanie Vanderpool  
Acting Recording Secretary