

**NCCOC Zoom Meeting**  
**04 August 2022**  
**Agenda - 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM**

CALL TO ORDER - CW4 Jay Garbus, USA (Ret)

ROLL CALL (if needed) Sue Harris (SOM) Quorum A quorum was announced but was incorrect. There was no quorum. Nine is needed but only seven voting members were present. 12 total present.

DATE AND LOCATION OF 2022 MEETINGS

- a. In Person 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarterly, Raleigh, August 12<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> & Mid-Atlantic Leadership Workshop
- b. 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter meeting will follow Leadership Workshop at 2:30 pm
- b. Zoom meeting, September 15<sup>th</sup>
- c. In Person/Hybrid 4<sup>th</sup> Quarterly, November 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Hawthorne Inn, Winston-Salem

A. CW4 Jay Garbus USA (Ret) presented the recent LOE change from National stating that “review assessments from Council Presidents and visit reports from Council” will be considered by judges. Jay is against this addition because Council is NOT over the Chapters, but is here to support them. Other Council presidents he has spoken with agree with him

COL Jeri Graham USA (Ret) is a judge and feels it is appropriate to send this opinion to Erin Stone. She notes that Jay sends reports to National every time he makes a Chapter visit. She stated that she does NOT review any North Carolina Chapters or the NC Council.

Dr. Vivianne Wersel said this is an integrity check to be sure the Chapters are doing what they say they are doing.

LTC Joe Anderson USA (Ret) suggests that we continue to participate in the LOE awards.

Jeri suggested that Jay meet with Erin at the Leadership Meeting in Raleigh.

B. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President REPORT - CDR Ken Klassen, USN (Ret) Ken prompted Chapters to send in reports as soon as possible. Seven out of the 14 chapters have already sent them in. If you make changes in the CM, send to the Council AND to National.

Capt. Donna Culp, USAF (FMR) said that she sends all information changes to National herself as a service to her members. She also copies her Chapter treasurer and membership chair. This is especially helpful for members who are not computer savvy.

C. COL Jim Brumit USA (Ret) Jim reported that General Dana Atkins sent a congratulatory note and commemorative coin to the Council for the great strides in advocacy in 2021. There were 16 people on the team who went all the way.

Vivianne noted that the PACT Act passed the Senate. Sen. Tillis voted against it but Sen. Burr came on at the last minute.

Jeri said that thousands of veterans helped get it passed with calls and post cards. It makes a difference when a lot of people participate.

D. Convention Cruise Annual Meeting - Please send your deposit of \$50. per person by September 10<sup>th</sup> to Col. Ken Hillman. Checks should be made out to "NCCOC Cruise".

E. Jay will be happy to help with LOE Forms. Next year there will be 5 Star, 4 Star and 3 Star Awards.

F. Open Floor

- Jeri said that the speaker for Friday night meeting in Raleigh is COL Dana Tucker and we have a meeting room Saturday for our Quarterly NCCOC meeting at 2:30.
- Dress is casual, even for Friday night dinner. No coats and ties.
- Jeri mentioned the Veterans Last Patrol for veterans in Hospice Center or the Veterans Home. She and Ed Baisden are certified volunteers.
- Donna thanked Jeri for her interest in this program. Donna participates in We Honor Veterans who perform a pinning ceremony for veterans in hospice. CAPT Mike Covell was the 800<sup>th</sup> person who received this ceremony.
- Donna reported on her time in Ukraine with her husband, John. It was rewarding and meaningful and there is a lot more to be done there.
- Jeri asked us to bring medical supplies to the meeting in Raleigh to be sent to Ukraine through a group she works with.

G. Adjournment was at 11:00.