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MEMORANDUM

From: Active Duty & Unit Recreation Dept Head, Semper Fit Division,

Marine Corps Community Services, Camp Pendleton

To: Sergeant Major, Marine Corps Installations West, Marine Corps

Base, Camp Pendleton, California

Subj: MINUTES OF THE SINGLE MARINE PROGRAM COUNCIL MEETING THURSDAY,

03 April 2025

Ref: (a) MCO 1700.36B

(b) MCIWEST-MCB CAMPENO 5420.10

1. As provided in reference (a), the Single Marine Program (SMP) Council meeting was called to order by the SMP Dept. Head at 0900. The SMP meeting is now offered virtually and is currently live for all those unable to attend.

2. Attendance

- a. Units with Junior Service Member Representative(s) Present
 - (1) Wounded Warrior Battalion
- (2) School of Infantry, West Advanced Infantry Training Battalion
 - (3) Combat Logistics Battalion 5
 - (4) 9th Communications Battalion
 - (5) Headquarters and Support Battalion
 - (6) Deployment Processing Command/ Reserve Support Unit West
 - (7) 1st Maintenance Battalion
 - (8) Assault Amphibian School Battalion
 - (9) 1st Battalion, 5th Marines
 - (10) 1st Marine Division Headquarters Battalion
 - (11) 1st Marine Regiment
 - (12) Combat Logistics Regiment 1

- (13) Combat Logistics Battalion 13
- (14) 11th Marine Expeditionary Unit
- (15) 1st Radio Battalion
- (16) Marine Corps Tactical Systems Support Activity
- (17) Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 39
- (18) 1st Battalion, 1st Marines
- (19) 1st Intelligence Battalion
- (20) 3rd Battalion, 1st Marines
- (21) 11th Marine Regiment
- (22) 5th Marine Regiment
- (23) 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines
- (24) 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines

b. Units with Senior Enlisted Adviser(s) Present

- (1) Headquarters and Support Battalion
- (2) 11th Marine Expeditionary Unit
- (3) 1st Radio Battalion
- (4) 1st Light Armored Reconnaissance Battalion
- (5) Assault Amphibian School Battalion

c. Others Present

- (1) Active Duty & Unit Rec Department Head
- (2) Single Marine Program Assistant Coordinator
- (3) Recreation Center Supervisor
- (4) 21, 22, 24, 33, 41, 43, 53 and 62 Area Active Duty Recreation Center Managers
 - (5) Bachelor Housing Manager
 - (6) Drug Demand Reduction Coordinator
 - (7) MCCS Coordinator

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 - (8) Research Audiologist Naval Hospital
 - (9) Sports Specialist Lead
 - (10) Human Performance Coach
- 3. Mr. Eddie Hadley. Started the meeting by encouraging everyone to sign in and hand in appointment letters at the end of the meeting.
- 4. SgtMaj Cook. It is so great to be at the stables today. I see a lot of new faces, thank you everyone for being here. The Marines rely heavily on you as the SMP reps to spread the information here at the meetings. Please bring the information up to leadership as well. We want everyone to be successful here. I encourage you all to speak up and ask questions. I expect you all to lean into this brief and be active in the conversation. I will take all this information back to my staff and we will see how we can fix these problems and make this base even better.

5. Quality of Life Issues

- a. Old Issues
 - 1. No Old Issues.
- b. New Issues
- 1. Is there a list of all stores on base that allow gift cards?
- 2. Not a lot of gluten free options in PX's. Can we get more options for people with dietary restrictions?
- 3. Barracks 4157- Not enough parking spaces for Marines. As a result, people parking where they shouldn't.
- 4. Can we get better transportation options for those who don't have cars? Can we get more information about the bus schedules, fees, etc.?
- 5. Barracks 620432- Any timelines on barracks being updated? Several outdated keys, and a lot of damage.
- 6. Barracks 4343- Overcrowding in this barracks. Some people $\operatorname{don't}$ have rooms.
- 7. Can we get security cameras installed in 43 area? Addressed at meeting. As of right now there is no new contract to get new security cameras installed.
- 8. Will the SMP trips be replaced since some were canceled? Addressed at meeting. Due to the executive order restricting federal employees from traveling, we had to cancel some of our trips. We will be replacing them with more local trips instead. Please stay tuned

for more information on these trips in the future.

- 9. Any update on when Basilone Rd will be repaired? Addressed at meeting. The contract has been awarded, but construction won't start until 2026.
- 10. Are they replacing the subway in Horno? **Addressed at meeting**. Yes, eventually this will be replaced. We encourage you all to speak up about what you would like to see on base, to see if we can make it happen.
- 11. Will the potholes in Las Pulgas be fixed? Addressed at Meeting. After the rainy season, they will go through the base and examine all the potholes and road damage. If they are bad enough, they will fix them.
- 12. 22 area near the gym, IPAC parking lot There is a very large pothole. Addressed at Meeting. After the rainy season, they will go through the base and examine all the potholes and road damage. If they are bad enough, they will fix them.
- 13. Can we get more spiritual events on base that will help improve Marine & Sailors spiritual fitness? Addressed at Meeting. Please reach out to your units RP and Chaplain. They are there to support you and can send you resources. Let them know you are interested in spiritual events, if they do not offer them already.

6. Guest Speakers

- a. <u>Ms. Tori Shepard.</u> We are looking for volunteers to help us at the stables. We are always looking for additional help, it can be a very rewarding opportunity. We need help with weed whacking, cleaning arenas and stalls, and welding. Horse experience is a plus but not needed. If you do have experience, you can help us saddle, brush, ands wash horses. Please reach out to us if you are interested.
- b. Mr. Michael Rumbaua. 180 sq ft living space is what a Sgt rates in the barracks, per the Marine Corps order. Currently, occupancy in the barracks is at 70%. Barracks 2030 new initiative, the 2nd phase of operation clean sweep. "2030" includes several new initiatives, such as hiring new civilian BEQ managers. Some areas already hired them. Several of these guys are veterans and understand the logistics of unaccompanied housing already. The barracks will also be receiving new furniture. Metal bunk beds and metal cabinets. Clean sweep part 3 will happen sometime in September. The goal is two clean sweeps a year. Please be aware there will be a power outage on 12 April from 0900-1500 in the 33 area. Theft is still a big issue in the barracks, please lock up your valuables and be cautious of who you let in your room.
- c. Mr. Eduardo Veytia. The NOISE Study aims to learn more about Tinnitus in the military. This is a long-term study, and we need more participants. It's simple to enroll, you just set up an appointment

with us and we will see if you qualify. We then do an in-depth hearing test. Anyone who is active duty is eligible to participate. Every year for participating you get a \$100 Amazon gift card. Ideally looking for a five-year commitment, but if you decide to stop that's fine, there are no repercussions. If you move in the next five years, we will fly you back out to San Diego and pay for everything. We can also refer you to a specialist at naval if your hearing loss is significant. Please call or text us to set up an appointment 253-317-0209.

- d. Ms. Gail Johnson. There is a prescription take back day happening on 26 April from 1000-1400. You just drive through and drop off expired or old medicine. We have heard of Active Duty using AI to generate prescriptions. Please report this behavior if you see or hear of anything. OPSS.org is where you can find all the DoD prohibited substances. Please make sure you don't take anything accidentally, review the list carefully and be informed.
- e. Ms. Theresa Flores. We offer adult sport leagues on base. We are currently in our Softball league. Open to all authorized base patrons. Our prices are very affordable. Our next CG cup is Kickball Homerun Derby. 30 April is 7x7 dodgeball. You get automatic points just for participating, so attendance is important. First place division I is Maintenance Bn, division II is 1st LAR, and division III CLR-1.
- f. Mr. Allen Guevarra. There will be a Fitness Challenge for children at Paige Fieldhouse Monday, 07 April from 1100-1300. Operation Purple Joy celebrates our military children. There will also be bounce houses, snacks, and promotional tables for the families to enjoy. Please look at our website, we have several classes and events coming up. 09 April from 1100-1200 we have Nutrition 101. 22 April 1100-1200 we have our Warrior Network Group Class. Our coaches and nutritionists are here to assist you with any goals you may have. https://pendleton.usmc-mccs.org/recreation-fitness/fitness/programs/human-performance
- g. Ms. Carina Johnson. Outdoor Adventures (OA) offers events such as mountain bike rides, hikes, surf lessons, archery and stand up paddle. You must reserve at least 2 weeks in advance. The more notice the better availability. Gravel Ride Hustle is now happening only once a month. The next gravel ride is 09 April at 1100 behind the 22 area barracks. Please email Pen.oa@usmc-mccs.org to sign up for any OA activity. All OA events are for active duty only. Our Hike Challenge was canceled due to the executive order restricting federal employees from traveling, but we are working on alternatives. Information sheets for you to complete this challenge on your own time will be posted tomorrow. Please email us if you have any questions.
- h. Mr. Eddie Hadley. We have a Seaworld trip coming up 18 April. The cost is \$35, which includes transportation and admission. April is volunteer month; our week of service is back. We have several volunteer opportunities available to all active duty. LOA's and light refreshments are always provided. These opportunities are listed in

our newsletter on our website, and on our social media pages. Please also check out the recreation center events, there are eight centers across the installation that host several different events every month.

- 7. Closing Remarks. Mr. Hadley thanked everyone for attending and reminded everyone to sign in on the sheets in the back of the room and send in appointment letters to Carina Johnson. Area breakout meetings will be held with your area recreation center managers after the meeting. Ms. Crystina Valverde announced that future meetings will be offered virtually for those unable to attend. A link to the meeting will be shared on our social media pages prior to the next meeting. Email crystina.valverde@usmc-mccs.org or pensmp@usmc-mccs.org for more information. Our Instagram is cpactivedutyrec. Our Facebook is MCCS Camp Pendleton-Active Duty Rec.
- 8. Meeting adjourned at 1030. Questions can be emailed to PENSMP@usmc-mccs.org.