



## Past Department of Florida Commandant's Council

June 2nd, 2018

To: Department of Florida Commandant George Lamont  
Cc: John Marsh, Adjutant;  
From: William G. Cona President /Chair of the Council  
Subj: Past Department Commandants Council Meeting

Sir

The meeting was held at the Spring Conference at Safety Harbor resort and Spa and the following individuals were present:

Bill Cona, Jr Past Commandant Department of Florida (Chairman )  
Lou Calleja, Past Commandant Department of Florida  
Ron Ashley, Past Department Commandant  
Charlie Smith, Past Department Commandant  
Bob Beale, Honorary Past Commandant, Department of Florida

As a reminder Commandant, the Council was designed to offer our opinion on the workings of the Department of Florida, Marine Corps League. We were set up to offer our suggestions with the hope of bettering the workings of the Department.

Our suggestions may be accepted or placed aside for further reference. The decision is yours. The following is offered for your reference:

- To date almost all of our previous recommendations have been accepted and implemented by the Department. We thank you for that.
- There are still mistakes being made by instructors in the Leadership class. It is suggested that an individual be assigned to correct these mistakes immediately.
- It is also suggested that classes be broken into two sessions (Spring and Fall ) with the Spring holding classes that would directly affect Leadership(Commandant, Sr Vice and Jr Vice and Judge Adv. duties for newer installed officers . In the fall we could introduce the other remaining subjects of importance, concerning the groups within the Detachment.
- The By Law (Section 200 Standing Committees-Duties ) regarding the Past Commandant's Council and the should be changed and it is now one of the proposed changes offered for membership approval.
- The removal of the language pertaining to the IWFF (Injured warriors Fund of Florida) ) shall be removed from the Ways and Means Committee. This is being done with the introduction of a new By Law pertaining to the Standing Committee responsibilities.
- There was a general discussion on the overall functions of the Department.

Respectfully,

**William G. Cona**