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By MC1 Lewis Hunsaker

NPS Senior Marine Corps Representative Col. Mitchell McCarthy delivers the Marine Corps service update during the NPS Dean's and Chair's meeting in Herrmann Hall, July 18.

"What do we tell the Marines that come to NPS? We tell them we are mission first, Marines always," said McCarthy. "Our requirements at NPS are very simple. We want Marines to understand that this is an education environment not a training environment and that the junior officers may actually be smarter than the senior officers, its hard to believe but it actually happens."

McCarthy also provided a progress report for, administrative support, curriculum, cohort leaders, enlisted programs and payback tours.

"One of the things we do here is set up a staff structure," said McCarthy. "The reason we do this is because when Marines are having concerns with curriculum or even personal issues, this structure helps us find out sooner and keeps a constant discussion with our Marines."

Cmdr. James Walsh, director of programs, talked about some of the U.S. Navy challenges during his state of the U.S. Navy service to the group.

"Everyone is always interested about NPS billet competition," said Walsh. "Why don't we always get all of our spots filled? The reason is because there are only 1,200 Individual Accounts set aside for education."

Of the 1,200 spots, NPS gets around 400. The list of new programs such as the Tours with Industry Program and others are competing for these spots added Walsh.

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