

Sons of the American Legion
Squadron 291
Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting
May 3, 2023

Meeting called to order at 1805 hrs.

Call to Order - Tim Sullivan, Cmdr

A quorum was present, five members of the Executive Committee constituting a quorum.
Roll Call List attached.

Guests Present

American League Baseball representatives Judy Leonardi and Ray Flores (requesting a sponsorship for the state tournament) Looking for a banner stating the SAL 291 sponsorship at the Jackie Robinson stadium. July 20, 2023 tournament date.
In addition Paul Mesmer former state Cmdr. attended the meeting

Commander's Remarks - Tim Sullivan, Cmdr

Cmdr Sullivan greeted all in attendance. We plan on making improvements for the future golf fund event.

Jeff Gottfredson will represent the Squadron at the Post meeting Thursday 4 May post Ex-com Meeting. 6 pm

Tim Sullivan will represent the Squadron at the Post meeting Wednesday 10 May Post General Meeting.

Sales for clothing, hats and blankets are performing well.

Adjutant's Report – Don Allen, Adjutant

We have a quorum and a thank you to Rene Alvarez for timely posting the minutes.
No change in annual dues for the SAL's per the board motion.

Chaplain's Report – Randy MacDougall, Chaplain

The following individuals passed away:

Steven Southerland -SAL

Health matters:

Skipper Tim – very sick get well soon

Membership Report - Jeff Gottfredson, 1st vice Cmdr

Looking forward to renew your membership online (button on website is working well)

We are ahead of our membership renewal goal.

There are 25 new applicants from April 5, 2023 to May 3, 2023. See attached report. Each applicant's name was read during the meeting. A motion was passed to bring these fine men into the Squadron. Calling on individuals who have not renewed and looking for transfers. Special thank you to Jeff for his past efforts.

Squadron Activities - Art Jimenez, 2nd vice Cmdr

Future fishing day trips will be held on Thursday's for the disabled veterans (co-ordinate with Benny Halck for time and location). If the boat is not filled with disabled veterans then will fill in with other vets. Next fishing $\frac{3}{4}$ trip (father/son) will be held on July 20, 2023 able to accommodate 35 fishermen. A motion was passed to approve a budget up to \$3,000 for this fishing trip. Benny will work with Art regarding future fishing trips

Future events may outsource the Honor Guard to the Boys Scouts.

For the future Xmas boat parade event consider preparing a parking map and possibly utilizing Venmo for ticket sales. Raffle tickets state matter inquiry will be addressed if necessary.

Flag Day event June 14, 2023 (requesting from SAL's ~~wrap~~ gifts to give to the kids) and Golf event memorial weekend (planning in process and requesting donors and sponsors for the event) Golf event for players is sold out.

Possibly sell brick tiles (your name on it) for a fund raiser at the Legion patio?

Finance Report – Todd Clucas, Finance Chmm.

The Squadron as of March 31, 2023 has approx. \$204,000 (comprised of general checking \$42,000, events account \$16,000 and money market account \$146,000 at Chase Bank. Todd Clucas presented the accounts balances for the current month. Tim Sullivan will oversee the accounting periodically. Continue to improve financial reporting. Todd Clucas will be providing additional data to the Post monthly. Included in the money market account is a CD for \$50,000 which is currently paying a high rate.

District 29 / Detachment of California / National Report

State convention Visalia, California June 22, 2023 to June 25, 2023

A motion was passed to approve \$50 per diem, mileage and hotel for 3 nights up to \$1,000 per delegate. We have 7 delegates attending (will be representative as a proxy form) (Tim Sullivan, Jeff Gottfredson, John Long, Don Allen, Bill Finster, Todd Clucas and Dan Swedt) A motion was passed and approved for state delegate fees for \$800. Note we have 169 votes divided by 7 delegates and have one voice for the squadron in addition could split the votes up and that will be decided at the convention.

Paul Mesmer commented that they behind in mailings for the convention.

Jeff Gottfredson is running for state Cmdr. and requesting our support.

Donations Report – John Long Chair

See attached report. The committee did not meet this month also no new donations. Possible recurring subscriptions for donations on our website – John will review for the potential of this donation process.

Concierge Program - Tim Sullivan, Cmdr

Program is performing well- requesting for volunteers -always needed and welcomed. We have shirts for the volunteers.

Fund Raising Committee - Tim Sullivan, Cmdr Tim Sullivan will roll out details of future fund raising events. In addition we will need to investigate the possibility of fund raising from companies in the area.

Technology-Tim Sullivan, Cmdr.

Cmdr has engaged an IT assistant to adjust the website. This individual Patty is in process to upgrade the website. Website is working and will be improved. Would like change from the use of constant contact. Rene Alvarez requested at the beginning of the year e board members should email documents to each board member. Add a place for roll forward charitable donations

Old Business

We will be following up on inactive members to renew. Benny Halck has organized the sale of SAL merchandising for hats, blue and red shirts, other shirts and blankets.

New Business

Waiting on SAL covers to be delivered. Rene Alvarez will conduct the election at the to the general meeting tonight for the current board members with the exception of Jeff Gottfredson who will not be running and Bill Finster running for donation chair. John Long will be elected as the 1st Vice Cmdr. membership. Officer swear-in will occur on June 29, 2023 -6 pm. American Legion baseball team will be supported by the SAL post.

Next meeting location will be at the post

The next Executive Committee Meeting will be held Wednesday June 7, 2023 at 1800 hrs.

The meeting was adjourned at 1855

Submitted by,


Don Allen Adjutant

Distribution:

Squadron Executive Committee

Squadron Appointed Positions

Squadron Advisors

Attachments:

Roll Call List

May Membership Report

May Donation Report



Sons of the American Legion
Squadron 291
2021 Roll Call List
Executive Committee Meeting (5 members)
General Membership Meeting (15 members + 1 officer)

Date: May 3, 2023

Meeting Start Time: 1805

Meeting End Time: 1855

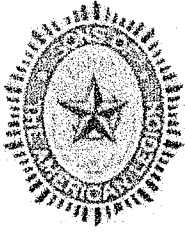
Executive Committee (Voting):

		Present	Excused	Absent
Commander	Tim Sullivan	P	E	A
1st Vice Cmdr.	Jeff Gottfredson	P	E	A
2nd Vice Cmdr.	Art Jimenez	P	E	A
Adjutant	Don Allen	P	E	A
Finance Officer	Todd Clucas	P	E	A
Sgt. at Arms	Brad Semonell	P	E	A
Chaplain	Randy MacDougall	P	E	A
Parliamentarian, Historian & Judge advocate	Rene Alvarez	P	E	A
3 rd Vice Cmdr. Donations	John Long	P	E	A

Post Supervisory Committee (Non-voting):

Post Advisor	Evin Planto	P	E	A
Post Advisor	Cory Vigil	P	E	A

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Membership Report 2023-05-03

New members April 5, 2023 to May 3, 2023	25
Active 2023 members processed	1,653
Total membership 2023	1,678
Membership goal	1,675

New Members 2023-05-03

Name	Type
Rudolph J Baldoni	Regular
Mark Strait	Regular
Michael Smith	Regular
Hank Donaldson	Junior
Jake Donaldson	Junior
Robert Schroff	Regular
Roger Turk	Regular
John "Jack" Area	Regular
Robert Ervolina	Regular
Mike Kipper	Regular
Luis Chavez	Regular
Dennis G Smith	Regular
Robert Green	Regular
William A Blaine	Regular
John Parker, Jr	Regular
Ingo Schultz	Regular
Ethan Morgan	Regular
Thomas Patton	Regular
Glen Odis	Regular
Wes (Walter) Simmons Jr	Regular
Benjamin Green	Regular
Patrick Bartolic	Regular
Vince Salvati	Regular
Rod Conklin	Regular
Cory Price	Regular

