



Sons of the American Legion  
Squadron 291  
Minutes of the General Meeting  
March 2, 2022

Meeting called to order at 1914 hrs.

The Colors were saluted-  
Tim Sullivan offered an opening prayer  
POW chair cover was presented by Sgt. at Arms  
Pledge of Allegiance was led by Tim Sullivan  
Tim Sullivan led the reading of the Preamble to the SAL Constitution  
Meeting was held at the Post  
We have a quorum of general members

Call to Order - Tim Sullivan, Cmdr

Adjutant conducted the roll call.  
A quorum was present, fifteen members besides a qualified presiding officer constituting a quorum. Roll Call List is attached. (Sign-in listing of members - attached)  
Tim Sullivan made the following comments during roll call:  
We are looking forward to an exciting year.  
We will have our next meeting at the Post

Commander's Remarks - Tim Sullivan, Cmdr

Cmdr greeted all in attendance.  
Evin Planto POST Cmdr., Doug Nye past Post Cmdr., Cory Vigil Veteran Service Officer  
In addition Guest Lt Cmdr. Richard Obriter (Director Calif. St. Guard Dept.) commented regarding an overview of the Army National Guard activities and a thank you for the SAL 291 donation.  
Art Jimenez is still in the Rehab facility in the South Bay (recovering from the various health matters)  
Continue to be faithful to our charities and accomplishing our membership goals.

Adjutant's Report – Don Allen, Adjutant

A motion was passed to dispense with the reading of past minutes. Meetings are recorded in order to produce the monthly minutes. Copies of the minutes are posted on the Squadron website and placed on the sign in table at the meeting. The recordings are erased upon completion of the minutes.

Chaplain's Report – Randy MacDougall, Chaplain- absent (Tim Sullivan presented)

Reported the following:  
Praying - (looking for a recovery for Art Jimenez)  
Helicopter crash in Newport Beach praying for the men and their families  
Passed away: pray for those who have passed away and Mike Morrissey's Dad  
Health matters: Virus has been difficult for many individuals

### Membership Report - Jeff Gottfredson, 1st Vice Cmdr

Good month - The individual names (19) were read.

See attached February 5, 2022 to March 2, 2022 report. For local area individuals who qualify to become a SAL- we would like to encourage them to join. The name of each new member was read during the meeting. Jeff Gottfredson asked the individuals who were present to comment on their background. A motion was passed to approve to bring these fine men into the Squadron. We are looking to add young members to the SAL's  
Dues not paid by 30 June - membership is forfeited (Const. Art. VII).

Squadron Activities –Art Jimenez 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Cmdr (in the Rehab center) (Tim Sullivan presented)  
The fishing trips will be reviewed for this coming year.

We plan on having the Fins and Fairway event - May 2022(memorial weekend). Please reach out to sponsors for the event. Flag Day June 14, 2022 will be forth coming.

### Finance Report – Todd Clucas, Finance Chmm.

The Squadron has approx. \$183,000 (comprised of general checking \$66,000, events account \$15,000 and \$102,000 in money market) at First Republic Bank. Financially in great shape. Looking for donations!!!

District 29 / Detachment of California / National Report -Tim Sullivan commented  
Tiny Stewart a state current Jr. Cmdr. passed away this month.

### Donations Report – John Long Chair -

See attached report. A motion was passed and approved for each attached donation in which each were read. A hold on the OC Music donation was made. Our objective is to donate over \$100,000 for the year.

Technology – Tim Sullivan indicated the website (sons291.com) will be upgraded by our IT outside consultant which is almost complete.

Concierge Program – Tim Sullivan - Many of you have been volunteering and still need your help going well- Will be trying to improve the experience for the guests. We have new shirts for the volunteers.

Fund Raising Committee – Tim Sullivan  
Cmdr - working on new and different fund raising events.

### Old Business

Continue to support the Legion

### New Business

Various new ideas will be forthcoming. First nominations for the board were conducted. The existing board members were nominated and accepted the nomination. No other nominations were made. Second board nominations will be conducted at the April 6, 2022 general meeting. Election will be held on May 4, 2022 at the general meeting.

Looking Ahead

Raffle for 2 covers was given away to members. Next SAL meeting April 6, 2022 at the post  
Shirt orders are being accepted.

Closing Prayer – Tim Sullivan

Prayers to all

The meeting was adjourned at 2030 hrs.

The next General Meeting will be held Wednesday April 6, 2022 at 1900 hrs. Post location

Submitted by,



Don Allen  
Adjutant

Distribution:

Squadron Executive Committee  
Squadron Appointed Positions  
Squadron Advisors

Attachments:

Roll Call List  
Sign-in listing of attending members  
March Membership Report  
March 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: March 2 2022

Meeting Start Time: 1914

Meeting End Time: 2030

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	Rene Alvarez	P	E	A

Appointed Positions:

Donations	John Long (Non-voting)	P	E	A
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Post Supervisory Committee (Non-voting):

Post Advisor	<del>Evan</del> Evan Planto	P	E	A
Post Advisor	<del>Cory</del> Cory Vigil	P	E	A





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Squadron 291  
Membership Sign-in for General Meeting  
2 March 2022

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| 1. John GRADISHAR     | 21. Pat Sullivan      |
| 2. Dennis Bygg        | 22. MARK FATOR        |
| 3. LARRY PARKER       | 23. Boyd JOYER        |
| 4. JILL PIRDY         | 24. ERIC Kohn         |
| 5. Mike Hennacey      | 25. Scott Seccivan    |
| 6. DAVE THEIL         | 26. Michael Wold      |
| 7. Norm Witt          | 27. Scott Fader       |
| 8. Allen Jensen       | 28. Chad Gibson       |
| 9. Jeff Pordoni       | 29. Luke Amaro X      |
| 10. <del>John</del>   | 30. RONALD GARDINER X |
| 11. PAUL MESMER       | 31. JON LONG          |
| 12. Howard Langhansen | 32. Chris Anshon      |
| 13. SCOTTY SEMONEL    | 33. LUISEN ELBRED X   |
| 14. BRAD SEMONEL      | 34. THOMAS TAYLOR X   |
| 15. Tim Fohl          | 35. Brett Woods       |
| 16. ROBERT RIECK      | 36. Julie Woods       |
| 17. David Soderud     | 37. Tony Bobber       |
| 18. John D'Abisco     | 38. Gregg Cannell     |
| 19. <del>John</del>   | 39. Paul Connor       |
| 20. Bobo Ferking      | 40. <del>John</del>   |
| 41. John              | 42. <del>John</del>   |

\* Received A cover

- 43 John C. [Signature]
- 44 SCOTT MABERRY [Signature]
- 45 Ron Costabile
- 46 Ralf Schwabe
- 47 James [Signature]
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- 49. Chris Menninger
- 50. William Ross

**SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, SQUADRON 291**

**DONATIONS CHAIR E-BOARD REPORT**

**MARCH 2, 2022**

The Donation Committee met on February 23, 2022. All six members were present. The following actions were approved by the committee for presentation to the E-Board and at the General Meeting.

- **Newport Beach 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion 1<sup>st</sup> Marines Foundation - \$20,000:** A motion was made to approve \$20,000, seconded and after discussion, the motion was **passed 5-0**.
- **CHOC Follies - \$1,000:** A motion was made to approve \$1,000, seconded and after discussion, the motion was **passed 5-0**. The donation would be a direct donation without tickets to the Follies.
- **Honor Flight Southland - \$1,000:** A motion was made to approve \$1,000, seconded and after discussion, the motion was **passed 5-0**.
- **OC Music and Dance Program - \$3,000:** A motion was made to approve \$3,000, seconded and after discussion, the motion was **passed 5-0**.
- **Walt Wagner Assistance Grants - \$10,000:** A motion was made to approve \$10,000, seconded and after discussion, the motion was **passed 5-0**. The plan is to hand out the grants at the May or June SAL meeting.
- **Veterans Legal Institute - \$2,500:** A motion was made to approve \$2,500, seconded and after discussion, the motion was **passed 5-0**. This charity provides pro bono legal assistance to homeless, at risk, disabled and low income current and former service members.
- **Sarge's Resource Center - \$2,000:** A motion was made to approve \$2,000, seconded and after discussion the motion was **tabled 5-0** for further review. The committee will ask Robert "Sarge" Perez to come to a meeting to discuss the plans for this coming year.

**We will have a guest at the meeting from the CA State Guard Foundation:**

LCDR (CA) Richard Oberreiter  
Director, Strategic Plans and Policy  
California State Guard  
California Military Department

**YTD Donations on Back**

**SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, SQUADRON 291**

**DONATIONS CHAIR E-BOARD REPORT**

**MARCH 2, 2022**

**YTD Donations**

<b>APPROVAL DATE</b>	<b>RECIPIENT</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>CHECK #</b>
2022.02.02	I Am Movement - H Gutschow	\$525.00		
Pending	Newport Beach 1st Battalion 1st Marines Foundation	\$20,000.00		
Pending	CHOC Follies	\$1,000.00		
Pending	Honor Flights Southland	\$1,000.00		
Pending	OC Music and Dance Program	\$3,000.00		
Pending	Walt Wagner Assistance Program	\$10,000.00		
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$35,525.00</b>		





# Sons of the American Legion Newport Harbor Squadron 291

215 15<sup>th</sup> Street  
Newport Beach, CA 92663

## March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 Membership Report

New members February, 2022	19
New Members for 2022 Year	174
Total Membership (2021-2022)	1,747
2021 Members not Renewing	102
2022 Percentage Renewed	113%
2022 Membership Goal	1,548
Members over 2022 Goal	199

## New Members

No.	Type	First	Last
1	Regular	Luke	Amaro
2	Regular	Nicholas	Constantino
3	Regular	Gregg	Crandell
4	Regular	Lucien	Eldred
5	Regular	Ronald	Gardner
6	Junior	Edison	Gutierrez
7	Regular	Dr. Boyd	Joyer
8	regular	Dean	Lueck
9	Regular	Jake	Lueck
10	Regular	Richard	Lyons
11	Regular	Michael	Maxsenti
12	Regular	Larry M	Parkder
13	Regular	Dale	Pierro
14	Regular	Jim	Pirdy
15	Junior	Zac	Roberts
16	Regular	Jim	Robins
17	Regular	Blake	Thornley
18	Regular	Michael	Wold
19	Regular	Brett	Woods