



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

Meeting called to order at 1800 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

Howard Denghausen-donation representative (Walt Wagner Grants)

Commander's Remarks - Tim Sullivan, Cmdr

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

Tim Sullivan will represent the Squadron at the Post meeting Thursday 3 March post Ex-com Meeting.

Jeff Gottfredson will represent the Squadron at the Post meeting Wednesday 9 March Post General Meeting.

Tim Sullivan commented we have new advisors which are Evan Planto and Corey Vigil

Adjutant's Report – Don Allen, Adjutant

We have a quorum and a thank you to Rene Alvarez for timely posting the minutes.

Rene Alvarez discussed future board member expansion.

Election will be in May

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

The following individuals passed away:

Pass

Mike Morrissey loss is his Dad

Health matters:

There was a helicopter crash in Newport Beach pray for two HB officers and families.

Virus cases difficult time with cases

Art Jimenez is in a Rehab facility in the South Bay 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 19 new applicants from February 5, 2022 to March 2, 2022. See attached report. Each applicant's name was read during the meeting. A motion was passed to approve the applicants and present to the Squadron for acceptance.

Calling on individuals who have not renewed and looking for transfers. Software for renewals is a problem for membership dues and this should be resolved in the next few months. Cmdr. would like to add junior members to the SAL's

Squadron Activities - Art Jimenez, 2nd Vice Cmdr (Art is in the Rehab facility) Tim Sullivan commented

Future fishing trips will be held on Thursdays (3/4 days) yet to determine the dates. Reviewing the effectiveness (cost and benefit) of the fishing trips for the veterans.

We are also planning on having the Fins and Fairways event in May 2022 (memorial weekend). Tim Sullivan indicated that the Fins and Fairway event will be improved. Need sponsors for the Fins and Fairways event. The Flag Day event will be forthcoming. Post 43 Hollywood on Cinco de Mayo possible event attendance –Art will review the event if it occurs.

Plan on out sourcing our Honor Guard to the Boys Scouts.

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

Finance Report – Todd Clucas, Finance Chmm.

The Squadron has approx. \$183,000 (comprised of general checking \$66,000 events account \$15,000 and money market account \$102,000 at First Republic Bank. Todd Clucas presented the accounts balances. Tim Sullivan will oversee the accounting periodically. Continue to improve financial reporting. Todd Clucas will be providing additional data to the Post monthly. Bank will reimburse for credit card fraud charges that were discovered.

District 29 / Detachment of California / National Report

Tinny Stewart a state current Jr. Cmdr. passed away this past 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 was placed on the OC Music donation to be followed up in the future.

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 found an IT assistant to rebuild the website. This individual Patty is in process to upgrade the website and is almost completed.

Old Business

We will be following up on inactive members to renew. Post state of affairs given the Virus limitations. Jeff Gottfredson indicated SAL new shirts are for sale.

New Business

We will discuss after the May election adding a possible 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice Cmdr. In addition we will review Rene Alvarez possible agenda matters at our May 2022 meeting. Will discuss the election process (nominating committee Tim Sullivan, Jeff Gottfredson and Rene Alvarez)! Nominations for board members will be conducted at the March and April SAL meetings.

Next meeting location will be at the post

SAL's looking for donations and events

The meeting was adjourned at 1855

The next Executive Committee Meeting will be held Wednesday April 6, 2022 at 1800 hrs.

Submitted by,



Don Allen Adjutant

Distribution:

Squadron Executive Committee

Squadron Appointed Positions

Squadron Advisors

Attachments:

Roll Call List

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: *B 1800*

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	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	<i>EVIN</i> Evan Planto	P	E	A
Post Advisor	<i>COBY</i> Corey Vigil	P	E	A

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**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**

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**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

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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