



Sons of the American Legion
Squadron 291
Minutes of the General Meeting
April 6, 2022

Meeting called to order at 1908 hrs.

The Colors were saluted-
Randy MacDougall 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 Jerry Erickson representative of Honor Flight commented regarding an overview of Honor Flight and Jim Ubanks detachment Cmdr. for SAL's also commented regarding the department.
Art Jimenez is still in the Rehab facility (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-

Reported the following:
Praying - (looking for a recovery for Art Jimenez)
Peter Putman is also sick
Passed away: -
Health matters: Virus has been difficult for many individuals

Membership Report - Jeff Gottfredson, 1st Vice Cmdr

Good month - The individual names (21) were read.

See attached March 3, 2022 to April 6, 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 2nd 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 (day of fishing) and Fairway (golf tournament) events - May 2022(memorial weekend). Please reach out to sponsors for the event. Flag Day June 14, 2022 will be forth coming. Benny from Real Warriors was present and commented regarding Fins and Fairway events. For more information please contact the website- Fins and Fairway.com.

Finance Report – Todd Clucas, Finance Chmm.

The Squadron has approx. \$179,000 (comprised of general checking \$58,000, events account \$19,000 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

Jim Ubanks commented regarding the detachment and presented a certificate of appreciation to Cmdr. Tim Sullivan. The detachment is in the process of placing flags for veterans at the various cemeteries over the next few years.

Donations Report – John Long Chair -

See attached report. A motion was passed and approved for each attached donation in which each were read.

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

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 Randy MacDougall accepted the nomination. No other nominations were made. The second board nominations were conducted at the April 6, 2022 general meeting. The existing board is running unopposed. 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 2006 hrs.

The next General Meeting will be held Wednesday May 4, 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
April Membership Report
April 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: April 6 2022

Meeting Start Time: 1908

Meeting End Time: 2006

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



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Membership Sign-in for General Meeting
6 April 2022

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| 1. Jeff Anderson | 21. Kelly Rowe |
| 2. Bobo Perkins | 22. Robert Pical |
| 3. SCOTY SEMONELL | 23. Tom Lora |
| 4. BRAD SEMONELL | 24. Nat Adam |
| 5. Jim Banville | 25. ANNE JOHNSON * |
| 6. KENNY DEEDS | 26. Paul Desautels |
| 7. Benny Hellock | 27. James Blumens |
| 8. Dennis Bygg | 28. Steve Knutsen |
| 9. John Bunker | 29. Mike Morrissey |
| 10. DAN PRINCEATO | 30. Dan Ann |
| 11. Jerry Erickson | 31. Scott JARRIS * |
| 12. Paul Patts | 32. |
| 13. Ron Costabile | 33. |
| 14. Joe Cordoni | 34. |
| 15. Allen Jensen | 35. |
| 16. Wally Doulow | 36. |
| 17. Mike Hennery | 37. |
| 18. DAVE THEIL | 38. |
| 19. CHRIS MADSEN | 39. |
| 20. Randy Mac Dossel | 40. |

James Eubanks - Detachment Comdr
* Cover



Sons of the American Legion Newport Harbor Squadron 291

215 15th Street
Newport Beach, CA 92663

April 6, 2022 Membership Report

New members March 3 to April 6, 2022	201
New Members 2022 Year	194
Total Membership (2021-2022)	1793
2021 Members not Renewing	102
Percentage Renewed	114.8%
June 9 th 2022 Membership Goal	1548
Members over 2022 Goal	245

New Members for April 6, 2022

Type	Last	First
Regular	Adams	Nat
Regular	Armstrong	Scott
Regular	Bossart	Edmond
Regular	Brown	James
Regular	Brutacao	Louis
Regular	DeFreitas	Paul
Regular	Garrard	Shawn
Regular	Harris	Scott
Regular	Johnson	Andrew
Regular	Jordan-Jack	Brien
Regular	Kearsley	Steve
Regular	Kennedy	Tim
Regular	Komonchak	Leo
Regular	Korn	Al
Regular	Millett	Ryan
Regular	Papurt	Alan
Regular	Ross	William
Regular	Rowe	Kelly
Regular	Simons	John
Regular	Wold	Michael

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SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, SQUADRON 291

DONATIONS CHAIR E-BOARD REPORT

APRIL 6, 2022

The Donation Committee met on March 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.

- **BSA-Eagle Scout Banquet - \$500.** A motion was made to approve \$500, seconded and after discussion, the motion **passed 5-0.**
- **Dana Point Fifth Marine Regiment - \$1,000.** A motion was made to approve \$1,000, seconded and after discussion, the motion **passed 5-0.**
- **Knots of Love - \$4,000.** A motion was made to approve \$4,000, seconded and after discussion, the motion **passed 5-0.**
- **Mission Hospital Ukraine Relief Fund - \$2,500.** A motion was made to approve \$2,500, seconded and after discussion, the motion **passed 5-0.**
- **Huntington Beach Officer Nicholas Vella - \$500.** A motion was made to approve \$500, seconded and after discussion, the motion **passed 5-0.**
- **Orange County Lawmen (Bob Henry Scholarship) - \$2,000.** A motion was made to approve \$2,000, seconded and after discussion, the motion **passed 5-0.**
- **Patriots and Paws - \$2,222.** A motion was made to approve \$2,222, seconded and after discussion, the motion **passed 5-0.**
- **Post 262 Roof Repairs Match – up to \$1,250.** A motion was made to approve \$1,250, seconded and after discussion, the motion **passed 5-0.**
- **Strong Families Strong Children - \$5,000.** A motion was made to approve \$5,000, seconded and after discussion, the motion **passed 5-0.**
- **Swift Boat Sailor Organization - \$1,000.** A motion was made to approve \$1,000, seconded and after discussion, the motion **passed 5-0.**
- **Vietnam Veterans Association 1021 - \$1,000.** A motion was made to approve \$1,000, seconded and after discussion, the motion **passed 5-0.**

The committee also voted to table consideration for potential donation to Sarge's Resource Center and OC Music and Dance for three months. At that time, we will review them to see if they are still offering active programs.

A problem has shown up since the committee meeting. We have been unable to find the correct web site for the Mission Hospital Ukraine Relief fund that was mentioned on KFI640. I have spoken with the Mission Hospital Foundation and currently the Foundation has not received approval for doing this and the project is on hold. I hope to have more information on this by the time of our next meeting.

No guest is scheduled for this month's meeting. I would like to discuss inviting Joshua Gutierrez to the May meeting. He is a co-founder of Urban Valor.

YTD Donations on Back

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APRIL 6, 2022

YTD Donations

APPROVAL DATE	RECIPIENT	AMOUNT	CHECK DATE
2022.02.02	I Am Movement - H Gutschow	\$525.00	2022.03.03
2022.03.02	Newport Beach 1st Battalion 1st Marines Foundation	\$20,000.00	2022.03.03
2022.03.02	CHOC Follies	\$1,000.00	2022.03.03
2022.03.02	Honor Flight Southland	\$1,000.00	2022.03.14
2022.03.02	Walt Wagner Assistance Program	\$10,000.00	
2022.03.02	Veterans Legal Institute	\$2,500.00	2022.03.03
Pending	BSA-Eagle Scout Banquet	\$500.00	
Pending	Dana Point Fifth Marine Regiment	\$1,000.00	
Pending	Knots of Love	\$4,000.00	
Pending	Mission Viejo Relief Fund - Ukraine	\$2,500.00	
Pending	Officer Nicholas Vella	\$500.00	
Pending	Orange County Lawmen	\$2,000.00	
Pending	Patriots and Paws	\$2,222.00	
Pending	Post 262 Roof Repairs Match to \$1250	\$1,250.00	
Pending	Strong Families and Strong Children	\$5,000.00	
Pending	Swift Boat Sailor Organization	\$1,000.00	
Pending	Vietnam Veterans Association 1021	\$1,000.00	
	Approved	\$35,025.00	
	Pending	\$20,972.00	