



Sons of the American Legion
Squadron 291
Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting
July 6, 2022

Meeting called to order at 1806 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

None

Commander's Remarks - Tim Sullivan, Cmdr

Cmdr Sullivan greeted all in attendance. We plan on making improvements for the future golf fund event. The fourth of July event went well.

Tim Sullivan will represent the Squadron at the Post meeting Thursday 7 July post Ex-com Meeting.

Jeff Gottfredson will represent the Squadron at the Post meeting Wednesday 13 July Post General Meeting.

Adjutant's Report – Don Allen, Adjutant

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

Rene Alvarez will discuss the future board member expansion at the July general meeting.

Rene will obtain password to get into the website from Patty our tech consultant. Photos for the board will be held July 13(6pm) at the post.

Chaplain's Report – Randy MacDougall, Chaplain

The following individuals passed away:

Jeff Gottfredson father in law passed away

Health matters:

Art Jimenez is in Rehab - 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 60 new applicants from June 2, 2022 to July 6, 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) and Tim Sullivan commented

Future fishing trips will be held on Thursdays (3/4 days) possible trip in September. Reviewing the effectiveness (cost and benefit) of the fishing trips for the veterans (co-ordinate with Benny for time and location)

The Flag Day event was held June 14, 2022. Good turnout.

9/11 event will be held in the park –details to follow. We plan on having the Sons of American Revolution for the Honor Guard for 9/11 event. Sunday possibly 10am to 2pm

Future events may out source to 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. \$138,000 (comprised of general checking \$11,000 events account \$25,000 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.

District 29 / Detachment of California / National Report

Don Allen, Tim Sullivan, Jeff Gottfredson plan on attending the annual August convention.

Donations Report – John Long Chair

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

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 rebuild the website. This individual Patty is in process to upgrade the website. Website is working and will be improved.

Old Business

We will be following up on inactive members to renew. Jeff Gottfredson indicated SAL new shirts are for sale \$40.

New Business

Rene Alvarez will discuss at the general meeting change in by laws and approval for 3rd Vice Cmdr. Tim Sullivan will announce the 3rd Vice Cmdr. John Long

Next meeting location will be at the post

SAL's looking for donations and events
The meeting was adjourned at 1857

The next Executive Committee Meeting will be held Wednesday August 3, 2022 at 1800 hrs.

Submitted by,



Don Allen Adjutant

Distribution:
Squadron Executive Committee
Squadron Appointed Positions
Squadron Advisors

Attachments:
Roll Call List
July Membership Report
July 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: July 6, 2022

Meeting Start Time: 18108

Meeting End Time: 1857

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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July 6 2022 Membership Report

New members June 2, 2022 to July 6, 2022	59 ⁶⁰
New Members 2022 Year	291
Total Membership (2021-2022)	1879
2021 Members not Renewing	33
Percentage Renewed	125%
June 9 th 2022 Membership Goal	1548
Members over 2022 Goal	331

New Members for July 6, 2022

Type	Last	First
Regular	Abramowiz	Philip
Regular	Allen	G. Bruce
Regular	Andrews	Kirk
Regular	Arbesfeld	Allan
Regular	Blancq	Jeffrey
Regular	Bullock	Mike
Regular	Byron	James
Regular	Cannon	Paul
Regular	Cross	Arch Brian
Regular	Csenar	Lee
Regular	Cunningham	Clark
Regular	Cunningham	Mathew
Regular	DeRoos	Gary
Regular	Dordoni	Marty
Regular	Downey	John M
Regular	Edel	Brent
Regular	Edwards	Scott
Regular	Encheff	John
Regular	Francke	William
Regular	Greene	Paul
Regular	Gruber	Chris



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Regular	Gruber	Christopher
Regular	Hansen	Eric
Regular	Harvey	William
Regular	Ingram	Rick
Regular	Johnson	Brian
Regular	Khzouz	Yousef
Regular	Laakanieini	James
Regular	Larner	Todd
Regular	Lessin	Michael
Regular	Lewis	Thomas
Regular	Maples	Casey
Regular	Martineau	John
Regular	Martinez	Eric
Regular	McCloud	George
Regular	Mellen	Ronald
Regular	Moreiko	John
Regular	Moses	Samuel
Regular	Mossler	Mike
Regular	Munroe	Richard
Regular	Notick	Joel
Regular	Nugent	Robert J
Regular	O'Connor	Matthew
Regular	Peterson	Jeffrey
Regular	Pistone	David
Regular	Postolka	Roger
Regular	Robinson	Paul
Regular	Rodman	Daniel
Regular	Sadler	Philip
Regular	Sanborn	Edward
Regular	Sanford	Daniel
Regular	Schumacher	Galen
Regular	Spargur	Jeff
Regular	St. Laurent	Rick
Regular	Stevens	Paul
Regular	Stipe	David
Regular	Strauss	John
Regular	Trepas	Gregory
Regular	Venegas	Daniel
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SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, SQUADRON 291

DONATIONS CHAIR E-BOARD REPORT

JULY 6, 2022

Committee Meeting Date: 2022.06.24

Present: Bill Finster, Chris Menninger, and John Long

Excused (traveling): Chris Graham, John Cleveland, and Peter Martin

The Donation Committee met on June 24, 2022. All five members of the committee voted on the four donations being requested by the committee either in person or via e-mail. The four donations that we are recommending for approval are:

- **Fisher House of Southern California - \$5,000.00**
Committee voted 5-0 to approve this donation. Fisher House of Southern California operates four homes in Southern CA where military and veteran families can stay free of charge while a veteran or family member is receiving medical care at military and VA medical centers. They have four homes in Southern California capable of handling 16-42 families.
- **Words of Comfort, Hope and Promise - \$2,000.00**
Committee voted via e-mail 5-0 to approve this donation. Their Mission is to enhance the lives of our active military and their families.
- **Veterans Canine Intelligence Academy - \$1,000**
Committee voted via e-mail 5-0 to approve this donation. This charity is in Irvine and is run by a Post 291 member Andy McTigue. Their goal is to assist training veterans and first responders training their own dog as a service dog to assist them with their disability.
- **Caterina's Club - \$5,000.00**
Committee voted via e-mail 5-0 to approve this donation. This is an Anaheim based charity started in 2005. Their mission is providing warm meals, affordable housing and job training to homeless and low-income families in Southern California.

YTD Donations on Back

APPROVAL DATE	RECIPIENT	AMOUNT	DATE	CHECK #
2022.02.02	I Am Movement - H Gutschow	\$525.00	2022.03.03	268
2022.03.02	Newport Beach 1st Battalion 1st Marines Foundation	\$20,000.00	2022.03.03	269
2022.03.02	CHOC Follies	\$1,000.00	2022.03.03	270
2022.03.02	Honor Flight Southland	\$1,000.00	2022.03.14	272
2022.03.02	Walt Wagner Assistance Program	\$10,000.00		
2022.03.02	Veterans Legal Institute	\$2,500.00	2022.03.03	271
2022.04.06	BSA-Eagle Scout Banquet	\$500.00	2022.04.14	277
2022.04.06	Dana Point Fifth Marine Regiment	\$1,000.00	2022.04.14	278
2022.04.06	Knots of Love	\$4,000.00	2022.04.14	279
2022.04.06	PORAC - Officer Nicholas Vella	\$500.00	2022.04.14	280
2022.04.06	Patriots and Paws	\$2,222.00	2022.04.14	281
2022.04.06	Post 262 Roof Repairs Match to \$1250	\$1,250.00	2022.04.14	282
2022.04.06	Child Guidance Center - SFSC	\$5,000.00	2022.04.14	283
2022.04.06	Vietnam Veterans Association 1024	\$2,000.00	2022.04.14	284
2022.05.04	Exchange Club of Newport Harbor	\$3,000.00	2022.05.06	287
2022.05.04	Network for Exceptional Military Families	\$2,500.00	2022.05.06	288
2022.05.04	Wreaths Across America	\$600.00	2022.05.06	289
2022.05.04	Veterans Relief Foundation	\$5,000.00	2022.05.06	290
2022.05.04	OC Lawmen - Bob Henry Scholarships	\$2,000.00	2022.05.06	286
2022.06.01	Homefront America	\$2,500.00	2022.06.07	297
2022.06.01	Homes for our Troops	\$5,000.00	2022.06.07	298
2022.07.06	Fisher House of Southern California	\$5,000.00		
2022.07.06	Words of Comfort Hope and Promise	\$2,000.00		
2022.07.06	Veterans Canine Intelligence Academy	\$1,000.00		
2022.07.06	Caterina's Club	\$5,000.00		
2022.07.06	Helmets for Heroes	\$250.00		
	Approved	\$85,347.00		
	Pending	\$0.00		