



Sons of the American Legion
Squadron 291
Minutes of the General Meeting
3 February 2016

Meeting called to order at 1907 hrs.

Roll Call - Butch Rowe, Adjutant

A quorum was present, fifteen members besides a qualified presiding officer constituting a quorum. Sign-in sheets are attached.

National Anthem - Dushan Gunasekera

Guests Present

Kat Katz, Auxiliary Unit 291 President invited all to attend the Sweethearts Ball and participate in the Auxiliary Blood Drive.

Commander's Remarks - Matt Parsons, Cmdr

The Cmdr welcomed those present.

Adjutant's Report - Butch Rowe, Adjutant

A motion was made, seconded and passed to waive the reading of last month's minutes.

Chaplain's Report - Jeff White, Chaplain

No report.

Membership Report - Jeff Kingsley, Chairman

The Squadron is capped at 1760 members. No new members. No reinstated members. Current membership is 1360, 77% of goal. A targeted renewal mailing will inform members who have not renewed that they are currently suspended and can only be reinstated by a vote of the Squadron. Members still under suspension on June thirtieth will have their membership forfeited.

Finance Report - Rich Morin, Finance Officer

Approx. \$86,832 in the bank. A second Facility Assessment Fee payment of \$32,980 will be due on 30 June. The credit card signatures are nearing completion. The Chairman will forward the Squadron's monthly bank statements to Tracy Kleimeyer, Admin/Accounting Manager for the Post. Tracy will input the data into a report for the Post.

Donations Report - Peter Martin, Donations Chairman

A motion was made, seconded and passed to donate \$2500 to Newport Mesa Schools Foundation. Pat Courter, President of the Foundation was presented with the check. The President thanked the Squadron for 10 years of continuous support. Donation report attached.

District 29 / Detachment of California / National Report

Jr Past Cmdr Jordon spoke on current District activities. The Western Rendezvous was held in Las Vegas at the end of January.

Technology - Matt Parsons, Cmdr

No report.

Concierge Program - Tim Sullivan, Volunteer Chairman

The program is running well. Volunteers are always needed.

Old Business

The Winter Bourbon Fest was held Saturday 23 January and was attended by 20 members with \$77 dollars collected for the Fisher House. There was no cost to the Squadron as the bourbon was left over from our last event.

A Boat Parade de-brief meeting will be scheduled.

New Business

The Squadron 82nd Anniversary will occur on 22 March. The Squadron will celebrate with a spaghetti dinner on Saturday 19 March.

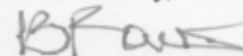
The Consolidated Squadron Report is due at the end of May and an e-mail is being prepared asking all members what volunteer hours they have completed in the past year.

Rex Henry spoke about the Concierge Program and pledged \$100 for (2) sign-in podiums.

The meeting was adjourned at 1953 hrs.

The next General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 2 March 2016 at 1900 hrs.

Submitted by,



Butch Rowe
Adjutant



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2016 Roll Call List

Executive Committee Meeting (5 members)

General Membership Meeting (15 members + 1 officer)

Date: 3 February 2016

Meeting Start Time: 1907

Meeting End Time: 1953

Executive Committee:		Present	Excused	Absent
Commander	Matt Parsons	P	E	A
1st Vice Cmdr.	Bill Dunn Jr.	P	E	A
2nd Vice Cmdr.	Tim Sullivan	P	E	A
Adjutant	Butch Rowe	P	E	A
Finance Officer	Rich Morin	P	E	A
Sgt. at Arms	Brad Semonell	P	E	A
Chaplain	Jeff White	P	E	A
Historian	Robert Thompson	P	E	A
Jr. Past Cmdr.	Tomidan Jordan	P	E	A
Past Cmdr.	Steve Porter	P	E	A
Sr. Past Cmdr.	Matt Parsons	P	E	A
Appointed Positions:				
Judge Advocate	Paul Mesmer	P	E	A
Membership	Jeff Kingsley	P	E	A
Parliamentarian	Butch Rowe	P	E	A
Donations	Peter Martin	P	E	A
Technology	John Durkin	P	E	A
Post Supervisory Committee:				
Post Advisor	Ken George	P	E	A
Post Advisor	Roger Henry	P	E	A
Post Advisor	Paul Meye	P	E	A



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Membership Sign-in for General Meeting
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| 1. ROBERT KOW | 21. ROBERT Z. THOMPSON |
| 2. Robert C. Perkins | 22. PAUL MESMER |
| 3. Peter Martin | 23. Matt Parsons |
| 4. JOE PEREZ | 24. Tom Sullivan |
| 5. DAN O'CONNOR | 25. Fred Jensen |
| 6. Skip Deupot | 26. Bill Dwyer |
| 7. Dushan Gurbakova | 27. Lucy Spell |
| 8. Michael Shaw | 28. JEFF KINGSLEY |
| 9. RICHARD BRADLEY | 29. JAMIE WOODWORTH |
| 10. REX HENRY | 30. RICK WHITNEY |
| 11. Allen Jensen | 31. Russ Whitney |
| 12. Michael Moxer | 32. Jeff White |
| 13. RALPH ODENWALD | 33. Ron Costabile |
| 14. Ron Rogers | 34. HOWARD DORNBACHSEN |
| 15. Chris Meuninger | 35. |
| 16. Rob Johnston | 36. |
| 17. Don Albrecht | 37. |
| 18. Noem Witt | 38. |
| 19. James Hansen | 39. |
| 20. Teddy M. Ellerman | 40. |

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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING DONATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT 03 FEBRUARY 2016

This is the Donation Committee Chairman's report for the 03 February 2016 General Membership Meeting.

Current Donation Requests

Two Donation Requests were received by the Donation Committee between the 06 January 2016 Executive Board Meeting and the 03 February 3, 2016 Executive Board Meeting as follows:

1. \$963.76 was requested by Anderson Elementary for Classroom 4/5 for Lego kits. This request was declined by the Donation Committee.
2. \$2500 was requested for funding grants to teachers in the Newport Mesa Unified School District. This is a recurring Donation and was approved by the Donation Committee. This request will be put to a vote of the Executive Board at this meeting.

Because this Donation request is more than \$250 it will also be put before the General Membership for their consideration and vote of approval at the 03 February 2016 Meeting.

Donation Acknowledgements Received

No Thank you letters were received during the month.

Donation Recipients attending

Donation Recipients planning to attend the 03 February 2016 General Membership Meeting this evening are:

1. Pat Courter, President of Newport-Mesa Unified School District

Donation Total for the 2016 calendar year:

TOTAL DONATIONS APPROVED	\$4,750.00	
Donations disbursed:	\$4,750.00	(100%)
Donations not disbursed:	\$0.00	(0%)

End of Report