



Sons of the American Legion
Squadron 291
Minutes of the General Meeting
2 August 2017

Meeting called to order at 1918 hrs.

The Colors were saluted.
Chaplain White offered an opening prayer.
Sgt.-at-Arms Brad Semonell presented the POW/MIA Chair Cover and statue.
Pledge of Allegiance.
Cmdr Sullivan lead the reading of the Preamble to the SAL Constitution.

Call to Order - Tim Sullivan, Cmdr

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

Guests Present

Jess Lawson, Post 291 Jr Past Cmdr

Commander's Remarks - Tim Sullivan, Cmdr

Cmdr Sullivan greeted all in attendance and introduced guests.

Adjutant's Report - Butch Rowe, Adjutant

A motion was passed to dispense with the reading of last month's minutes. Meetings are recorded in order to produce the monthly minutes. The recordings are erased upon completion of the minutes.

Chaplain's Report - Jeff White, Chaplain

Gene Hubbard passed away last week. He was 78 years old.

Concierge Program - Tim Sullivan, Cmdr

Program going well. New volunteers always needed and welcome. We need 28 volunteers each week. New shirts have been ordered for repeat volunteers.

Finance Report - Rich Morin, Finance Officer

We currently have approx. \$45,000 in the bank.

District 29 / Detachment of California / National Report - Matt Parsons, Jr Past Cmdr

Cmdr Parsons reported on Squadron presence at the American Legion Baseball Tournament held in Yountville, CA.

The Detachment of California Executive Committee will meet 12-13 August in Amador, CA.

The SAL Nat'l Convention will be held 18-24 August in Reno, NV.

Membership Report - Jeff Gottfredson, 1st Vice Cmdr

The Squadron is capped at 1760 members.

Renewals are going very slowly with only 33 received to date.

There are 14 applicants this month, having been approved by Post 1st Vice Cmdr Mike Schubert. They are: Richard Bergkamp, Derek Blithe, John Davis, Phillip Davis, Joseph Eustermann, Patrick Guthrie, Joseph Jennings, Kirk Johnson, Jax Maloney (Jr. Member), Ronald Sadler Jr., Scott Shubin, Sebastian Taylor (Jr. Member), Thomas Taylor, and Joe Zuffoletto Jr. A motion was passed to bring these fine gentleman into the Squadron.

Installation - Matt Parsons, Jr Past Cmdr

Cmdr Parsons installed Robert Thompson and Jeff White.

Donations Report - Peter Martin, Chmn

There are two donation requests this month, previously approved by the Donation Committee:

- \$2500 for National Child Welfare Fund, \$1000 of which is in memory of Past Cmdr Michael Brigandi
- \$500 NTE for a television for March AFB Deployment Center

Motions were passed by membership approving these donations.

Report attached.

Old Business

None.

New Business

A Squadron member has generously donated the \$2000 boat rental for another fishing excursion for veterans suffering from PTSD.

A motion was passed to revise the Standing Rule - Squadron Financial Management section for Squadron Checking Account to read:

Squadron Checking Account:

Squadron checking account signatories shall be limited to: Cmdr Tim Sullivan, 1st Vice Cmdr Jeff Gottfredson, Finance Chairman Rich Morin, and Post designated officers Marco Montes and Paul Meye. (2 August 2017)

This revision will be forwarded to the Post for approval.

Looking Ahead

Boat Parade planning must be voted on in September and forwarded to the Post Executive Board for approval.

Attendance Drawing - Tim Sullivan, Cmdr

The Squadron holds a monthly attendance drawing for \$50 with the amount rolling over up to \$500 if no one wins. At that point the money will be donated to a Squadron charity. The name drawn this month for \$450 was James Moss of Huntington Beach, CA who was not present. Next month's drawing will be for \$500.

Closing Remarks

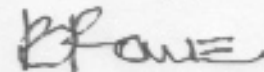
Cmdr Sullivan thanked all in attendance and challenged them to get involved.

Closing Prayer - Jeff White, Chaplain

The meeting was adjourned at 1958 hrs.

The next General Meeting will be held Wednesday 6 September 2017 at 1900 hrs.

Submitted by,



Butch Rowe
Adjutant

Distribution:

Squadron Executive Committee
Squadron Appointed Positions
Squadron Advisors
Post Cmdr
Post Adjutant
Auxiliary President
Auxiliary Secretary

Attachments:

Roll Call List
Sign-in Sheet
August Donations Committee Report



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2017 Roll Call List

Executive Committee Meeting (5 members)

General Membership Meeting (15 members + 1 officer)

Date: 2 August 2017

Meeting Start Time:

1910
1958

Meeting End Time:

Executive Committee:

		Present	Excused	Absent
Commander	Tim Sullivan	P	E	A
1st Vice Cmdr.	Jeff Gottfredson	P	E	A
2nd Vice Cmdr.	Dennis McCarter	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.	Matt Parsons	P	E	A
Sr. Past Cmdr.	Steve Porter	P	E	A

Appointed Positions:

Judge Advocate	Paul Mesmer	P	E	A
Parliamentarian	-	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	Paul Meye	P	E	A
Post Advisor	Robert Wright	P	E	A



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Membership Sign-in for General Meeting
2 August 2017

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| 1. Kurt Kous | 21. ROBERT RIECK |
| 2. Robert C Perkins | 22. DEREK BLITHE |
| 3. Dan O'Bannon | 23. PATRICK GUTHRIE |
| 4. Rich Morin | 24. BRAD SEMONELL |
| 5. Peter Martin | 25. JOE DORBOVIC |
| 6. SCOT SEMONELL | 26. Allen Jensen |
| 7. Rene Alvarez | 27. REX HENRY |
| 8. Tom Lova | 28. Lyle Spill |
| 9. Ron Bartosik | 29. RICK BERGLAMP |
| 10. RICK BRADLOV | 30. JEFF BROOKS |
| 11. CHRIS MARSENT | 31. ROBERT Z THOMPSON |
| 12. MIKE KERNS | 32. Jeff Gottfredson |
| 13. Ron Eggers | 33. Matt Parsons |
| 14. BILL GRESCHNER | 34. Chuck Herbert |
| 15. MICHAEL MOYER | 35. Dan Jensen |
| 16. SCOTT G. MARKSON | 36. TODD CLUCAS |
| 17. TIM KUMMER | 37. Ken GEORGE |
| 18. JOEL BUFFA | 38. Rolf S. Schwalbe |
| 19. CHRIS GRAHAM | 39. |
| 20. STEVE MURROW | 40. |

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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING DONATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT AUGUST 2, 2017

This is the Donation Committee Chairman's report for the August 2, 2017 General Membership Meeting.

Current Donation Requests

There were two Donation Requests received by the Donation Committee between the July 5, 2017 Executive Board Meeting and this August 2, 2017 Executive Board Meeting as follows:

1. Up to \$500 for TV for March Air Force Base Deployment Center
2. \$2,500 for American Legion Child Welfare Foundation, comprised of \$1,500 for the Foundation directly and an additional \$1,000 for the Foundation in memory of Michael Brigandi.

Donation Recipients attending

There are no Donation Recipients planning to attend the August 2, 2017 General Membership meeting.

Donation Acknowledgements Received

No Donation Acknowledgements were received in the period.

Donation Total for the 2017 calendar year:

The donation financial status is:

TOTAL DONATIONS APPROVED	\$9,500
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Disbursement Status

Donations disbursed:	\$ 9,500
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Donations not disbursed:	\$ 0
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Donation Type

Recurring Donations:	\$ 9,500
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Other Donations:	\$ 0
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End of Report