



Sons of the American Legion
Squadron 291
Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting
7 March 2018

Meeting called to order at 1805 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

John Long, Dan Swett; SAL 291
Vera Rowe, Unit 291

Commander's Remarks - Tim Sullivan, Cmdr

Cmdr Sullivan greeted all in attendance.

Tim Sullivan was present to represent the Squadron at the Thursday 1 March Post Ex-com Meeting.

Art Jimenez will represent the Squadron at the Wednesday 14 March Post General Meeting.

Tim Sullivan will represent the Squadron at the Thursday 5 April Post Ex-com Meeting.

Adjutant's Report - Butch Rowe, Adjutant

No report.

Membership Report - Jeff Gottfredson, 1st Vice Cmdr

The Squadron is capped at 1760 members. Renewals are at 80.6%.

There are 9 applicants this month, having been approved by Post 1st Vice Cmdr Mike Schubert. They are: Carl Basile, Michael McKinzie, Jerry Roach, Bryan Rue, Michael Ryan, and Tracy Taft; Regulars. Beau Danahy, Christopher K. Rogers, and John T. Rogers; Juniors. A motion was passed to approve these applications and present them to the Squadron for acceptance.

Dues not paid by 1 February - membership classified as delinquent and suspended from all privileges (Const. Art. VII).

Access cards deactivated on 10 February for those members who have not renewed.

Dues not paid by 30 June - membership is forfeited (Const. Art. VII).

Report attached.

Squadron Activities - Art Jimenez, 2nd Vice Cmdr

Flag Day will be Thursday 14 June. A motion was passed to recommend the membership approve a \$2000 budget for a Flag Day celebration in Veterans Park to include a band. The park has been reserved with the City from 10 am till 2 pm. Cmdr Sullivan will present this to the Post for approval.

A Boat Parade review meeting will be scheduled.

Finance Report - Rich Morin, Chmn

The Squadron has approx. \$114,000 in the bank. There are transfers of approx. \$25-26k funds still to be made from the Post to the Squadron.

Chaplain's Report - Jeff White, Chaplain

Jeff will attend the Spring DEC on 10-11 March in Santa Maria.

District 29 / Detachment of California / National Report

No report.

Donations Report - Butch Rowe, Adjutant

There are no donation requests this month.

Report attached.

Technology - Tim Sullivan, Cmdr

John Long is working with John Durkin on the website.

Jeff Gottfredson said that the Post is considering a redesigned web interface. He will inquire as to cost and report back as to whether the Squadron may want to do the same.

Concierge Program - Tim Sullivan, Cmdr

Program going well. New volunteers always needed and welcome. A new supply of shirts is being sourced.

Fund Raising Committee - Tim Sullivan, Cmdr

The Squadron Hoop-it-up Fund Raiser raised approx. \$55,000. Approx. \$35,000 has been received to date and pledges are being received.

A golf tournament is being considered.

Cmdr Sullivan will appoint members to a new Fund Raising committee.

Old Business

Standing Rule - Squadron Financial Management section was sent to the Post for approval on 3 August 2017.

Standing Rule - Squadron Financial Management Donation Policies section was sent to the Post for approval on 2 October 2017.

The Post has approved Rene Alvarez to serve as Squadron Parliamentarian.

New Business

Rich Morin gave copies of a preliminary budget to Cmdr Sullivan and to 1st Vice Gottfredson for comments.

First Nominations for May elections will take place at the general meeting. Paul Mesmer will preside over the nomination procedures.

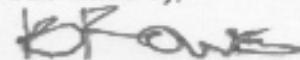
A motion was passed to recommend the membership approve a \$150 budget for A Toast To Dad on 16 June from 10 am to 2 pm. Cmdr Sullivan will present this to the Post for approval.

A motion was passed to recommend the membership approve a budget for 3 fishing trips at 3 x \$2000 = \$6000. Cmdr Sullivan will advise the Post of these trips.

The meeting was adjourned at 1857.

The next Executive Committee Meeting will be held Wednesday 4 April 2018 at 1800 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
March Membership Report
March Donations Report



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Squadron 291

2018 Roll Call List

Executive Committee Meeting (5 members)
General Membership Meeting (15 members + 1 officer)

Date: 7 March 2018

Meeting Start Time: 1805

Meeting End Time: 1957

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	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
Sr. Past Cmdr.	Steve Porter	P	E	A
Appointed Positions (Non-voting):				
Donations	Peter Martin	P	E	A
Judge Advocate	Paul Mesmer	P	E	A
Parliamentarian	Rene Alvarez	P	E	A
Technology	John Durkin	P	E	A
Post Supervisory Committee (Non-voting):				
Post Advisor	Skipper Tim Bercovitz	P	E	A
Post Advisor	Paul Meye	P	E	A
Post Advisor	Rob White	P	E	A

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Newport Harbor Squadron #291

New Members this Month	9	
New Members this Year	70	
Total Membership (Including New)	1,704	
Members Renewals 2018	1,373	(+63)
2017 Members yet to Renew	331	
Percentage Renewed	80.6%	(+3.2%)

New Members Inducted March 7, 2018

March New Members		
Type	Last	First
Regular	Basile	Carl
Regular	McKinzie	Michael
Junior	Danahy	Beau
REGULAR	Roach	Jerry
Junior	Rogers	Christopher K
Junior	Rogers	John T
Regular	Rue	Bryan
Regular	Ryan	Michael
Regular	Taft	Tracy

SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION, SQUADRON 291

DONATIONS CHAIRMAN REPORT

MARCH 7, 2017

This is the Donation Committee Chairman's report for the Executive Board and the General Membership Meetings being held at the American Legion Post #291 on March 7, 2018.

Current Donation Requests

No donation Requests were received by the Donation Committee between the February 7, 2018 Executive Board/General Membership Meetings and this March 7, 2018 Executive Board & General Membership Meeting.

Donation Recipients attending

No Donation Recipients are planning to attend the March 7, 2018 meeting.

Donation Acknowledgements Received

A Thank You email was received in the period from the California Veteran's Home of Barstow. Donation Committee Chairman attended the Newport Mesa Schools Foundation Awards Ceremony and presented our \$500 donation to benefit 7th Grade Science program to install and study new internet-enabled water quality sensors.

Reminder about making Donation Recipients

Please note that Donations can be requested by filling the form available on our website at:

sal291.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/07/request_a_donation.pdf

Please forward the form for consideration to the Donations Committee Chairman, Peter Martin, who is also available to help complete the form if needed.

Donation Total for the 2018 calendar year to date is:

The donation financial status is:

TOTAL DONATIONS APPROVED	\$ 1,800
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Disbursement Status

Donations disbursed:	\$ 1,500
Donations not disbursed:	\$ 300

End of Report