

**The American Legion Riders
Department of California**



For God and Country
Minutes
February 9, 2014

1. **Called to Order** – President Albert Villa at 1900 hrs
2. **Invocation** – Chaplain Mary Estrada
3. **Roll Call** by Secretary Rita Christolear – President Albert Villa, Vice President James Adames, Secretary Rita Christolear, Treasurer Don Christolear, Sergeant-at Arms Larry Miller (absent), Chaplain Mary Estrada, Judge Advocate John Bart, Service Officer Mike Schuster (absent), Quartermaster Patrick Tafoya, Historian Jake Jacobsen, Area 1 VP Edgar Brown, Area 2 VP Bill Roller, Area 3 VP Stephanie Early, Area 5 VP Kenneth Derr, Area 6 VP Christopher Coleman, Commissioner Jim Banakus, Convention & Rally Terry Baughman, Safety Committee Marc Mathes (absent).
4. **Additions to the Agenda** – none
5. **Approval of Minutes** – January 11, 2013 – Area 1 VP motioned to accept the minutes for January 11, 2014. James Adames seconds the motion.
6. **Financial Report** – Don Christolear – January 11, 2014 the balance was \$54,092.80 and ending on February 8, 2014 the balance was \$58, 322.73. Vice President James Adames motioned to accept the financial report as read, pending audit. Area 1 VP Edgar Brown seconds the motion.

7. Committee Reports

- a. Quartermaster – Patrick Tafoya –
- b. Convention and Rally – Terry Baughman – It would be good to be able to count those attending the Convention to give Escondido some idea of how many are attending. The Secretary will contact the webmaster to see if anything can be put on the website to keep track of those attending the Convention. Historian Jake Jacobsen is the point of contact for Escondido.
- c. Judge Advocate Report – JAG John Bart –
- d. Service Officer – Mike Shuster – Absent
- e. Safety Committee – Marc Mathes – Absent
- f. Jr. Past President – Luis Diaz – Absent
- g. Historian – Jake Jacobsen – Please send photos and any history of the ALR to the Historian.

8. Area Reports

- a. Area 1 VP – Edgar Brown – Not getting any response from Chapters and their activities.
- b. Area 2 VP – Bill Roller –
- b. Area 3 VP – Stephanie Early – Working on Chapters that are delinquent with Per capita.
- d. Area 4 – Vacant
- c. Area 5 VP – Kenneth Derr –
- d. Area 6 VP – Christopher Coleman –

9. **Old Business** – none

10. **New Business** – President Villa - The VA&R is reporting that they are lacking in funds. The President proposes that we donate \$10, 000.00 to the VA&R again this year.

11. **Sick / Memorial** – Chaplain Mary Estrada – The Four Chaplain's service in San Francisco was very well attended. Please post deaths on the website under Post Everlasting. Area VP's are to send the Chaplain any deaths that have occurred in their Areas.

12. **Good of the Order** – President Albert Villa – Thank you all for taking the time to attend the DEC meeting.

13. **Benediction** – Chaplain Mary Estrada

14. **Adjournment** – President Albert Villa – The next DEC meeting will be March 23, 2014 at 1900. Meeting adjourned at 2020 hrs.