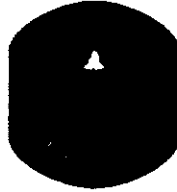


The American Legion Riders Department of California



For God and Country

Minutes

November 3, 2012

1. **Called to Order** – President Albert Villa
2. **Invocation** – Chaplain Mary Estrada
3. **Roll Call, Secretary Rita Christolear** – President Albert Villa, Vice President James Adames, Secretary Rita Christolear, Jr. Past President Luis Diaz, Treasurer Joe Love (absent), Sergeant-at-Arms Robert Stover (absent), State Chaplain Mary Estrada, State Judge Advocate John Bart, State Service Officer, Mike Schuster, Assistant State Service Officer Ken Cruickshank (excused), Quartermaster Bob Scudero/Patrick Tofoya, Area 1 VP Edgar Brown, Area 2 VP Mike Nettles, Area 3 VP Stephanie Early, Area 5 VP Steve Kaweck, Area 6 VP Christopher Coleman, Commissioner Jim Banakas.
4. **Additions to the Agenda**
 - a. **Funding**
 - a. Run for the Wall – James Adames requested funding for Steve Kaweck and Area 5 for \$2,500 to help with the dinner that they put on for those leaving on the Run for the Wall. Judge Advocate John Bart - Any funding has to be by Resolution at the Convention. If there is a line item already available in the budget you might be able to take it from that. All agreed that it was a good idea and to bring it up at Convention.

- b. Projects for Area VP's – Finances for projects must come through the Budget Committee or as a Resolution at Convention.
 - c. Area VP Title Change – James Adames would like to change Area VP to Area President. Judge Advocate, this would be required to be done by a Resolution at Convention and it would also have to go through Resolution with the Department of California in Convention. In the Legion there is only 1 Commander and all others are Vice Commanders.
 - d. Chapter 113, Napa – Motion was made by James Adames to suspend Chartering Chapter 113 until conflicts are resolved with District 5. Motion carried. Judge Advocate, John Bart is looking into the matter.
5. Approval of Minutes – Mike Nettles made a motion to approve the minutes for September 8, 2012 and James Adames 2nd. Minutes were approved.

6. Financial Report – Joe Love – Read by the Secretary

Operating Activities for January – October 12, 2012

Net Income – \$1,626.37

Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities – \$1,626.37

Net Cash Increase for Period – \$1,626.37

7. Committee Reports

a. Quartermaster – Bob Scudero – I am retiring as Quartermaster and Patrick Tofoya will be replacing me. I will send the Secretary and Luis Diaz a copy of the financial report.

b. Convention and Rally – Terry Baughman – The 2013 Convention will be at Amador Post 108, April 12-14. The Rally will be in Oxnard Post 48, Labor Day weekend. The 2014 Convention will be held in Dixon, CA. The 2014 Rally will be at Hollister Post 69.

- c. Constitution and Bylaws – JAG John Bart – Nothing to report
- d. Uniform Committee – Bob Scudero – Nothing to report
- e. Service Officer – Mike Shuster – Nothing to report
- f. Safety Committee – Marc Mathes – Absent
- g. Jr. Past President – Luis Diaz – ROMP

8. Area Reports

- a. Area 1 – Edgar Brown – Nothing to report
- b. Area 2 – Mike Nettles – The R to R went well, however one rider went down. I contacted the coordinator and requested that route be changed to bypass the area where the rider went down.
- c. Area 3 – Don Christolear/Stephanie Early – Chapter 26 had a well attended fundraiser. The membership issue with Chapter 83 has been resolved.
- d. Area 4 – Vacant
- e. Area 5 – Steve Kawecky – We had a really good turnout for the Presidents meeting in Palm Springs. We are planning on doing a Spring Rally in the future. There are a lot of Chapters participating in parades, Thanksgiving dinners and Toys for Tots.
- f. Area 6 – Christopher Coleman – We are serving Thanksgiving dinner for the Seabees, bases and grade schools. I'm trying to resolve issues with Chapter 280.

9. Old Business

- a. Chapter 595 – President Villa approved a temporary Charter for 595 pending all paper work being turned in during our last meeting on September 8, 2012. Secretary - All paper work has been completed and turned in. A motion was made by Steve Kawecki to accept Chapter 595 and the second was made by, James Adames. Motion carried.

10. New Business

- a. Joe Love resigned as Treasurer. President Villa appointed Don Christolear as State Treasurer, Steve Kawecki as Area 5 VP and Stephanie Early as Area 3 VP.
- b. Jr. Past President Luis Diaz discussed ROMP and has also entered it on the Event page and the Calendar.

10. Sick / Memorial – Chaplain Mary Estrada – We have lost a couple of members since our last DOC meeting. Mary led us in the Rider Everlasting prayer.

11. Good of the Order – President Albert Villa – Our next meeting will be December 12, 2012.

13. Benediction – Chaplain Mary Estrada

14. Adjournment – President Albert Villa – 11:50