

The American Legion Riders Department of California



For God and Country
Minutes October 29, 2011

1. Call to Order – President Luis Dias @ 0903
2. Invocation by Mary Estrada
3. Additions to the Agenda –
4. Roll Call - Secretary Anita Bart – Present – President Louis Diaz, Vice President Albert Villa, Secretary Anita Bart, Treasurer Joe Love, Sergeant at Arms Steve Kawecki, Chaplain Mary Estrada, JAG John Bart, Jr. Past President Steve Weber, Area 2 VP Gene Blakemant, Area 3 VP Assistant VP Don Christolear, Area 5 VP Doyle Tolbert, Area 6 VP James Adames. Absent – Service Officer Mike Shuster, Quarter Master Bob Scudero, Commissioner Jim Banakus, Area 1 VP Henry Cater,
5. Approval of Minutes – September 24, 2011 – Steve Weber moved to approved, Gene Blakeman 2nd, motion passed
6. Financial Report – Joe Love – posted a summary sheet of those chapters in arrears. There is \$40,946.00 in Bank with 2 checks to put in bank. From Quarter Master – \$4,818.76. Steve Weber Moved to approved subject to audit Gene Blakeman 2nd, motion passed
7. Committee Reports
 - 7a. Quartermaster – Bob Scudero – no report
 - 7b. Convention and Rally – Terry Baughman – Everything is going well for convention. The rooms are filling. Dist 28 will host the next rally. We are looking Post 593 possibly as host post. Post 48 offered for the next year.

- 7c. Constitution and Bylaws – John Bart – Bylaws do outline the ability to suspend chapters in the case of violation of bylaws
- 7d. Uniform Committee – Bob Scudero – no report
- 7e. Service Officer - Mike Shuster – no report

8. Area Reports

- a. Area 1 – Henry Cater – no report
- b. Area 2 – Gene Blakeman – R to R every thing went well. Thanks to all involved.
- c. Area 3 – Don Christolear – Hotels are filling up for convention, state you are with the American Legion when registering. Chapter 23 lost one rider who passed away.
- d. Area 4 – Vacant
- e. Area 5 – Doyle Tolbert – Home comings one 23 hundred marines came home to Camp Pendleton. Funerals and Vets w/out families. USO new flag pole dedication. Area 5 get together at Palm spring next week. Hope to have 2 more meetings before convention.
- f. Area 6 – James Adames – Doing well still working. Guadalupe will want to begin their paperwork again. \$5,500 was raised for the cancer society for his daughters cancer ride. Home comings and funerals.

- 9. Old Business – New Check list has been sent out for use from area VP's to use for new chapters.

10. New Business-

- a. New Chapter – Chapter 69 – Gene Blakeman moved to accept James 2nd – motion passed
- b. We are beginning the slow down mode with fall and winter coming on.
All area VP's look at the List of Chapters in arrears. – Gene will check with rolling 9's, Doyle will check with Escondido.
Area VP's contact these chapters document those contacts. Let the chapters know what can happen. Let them know the DOC can act.
Finance committee creates a summary of when moneys are due by the chapters so it can be posted on the web site.
- c. Steve Weber Department Convention recommend area VP's attend will be in Redding. There will be two parties running this year. Bring up for next meeting for activity of the ALR during convention, lunch

or something.

11.Sick / Memorial - Chapter 48 lost member Chapter 23 lost a member

12.Good of the Order – President Luis Diaz - next meeting date
December 3 0900 – Air rescue unit will award flying crosses to those
in Iraq and Afghanistan from Area 2.

13.Benediction – Steve Weber in Mary's place

14.Adjournment – President Luis Diaz @ 1039