

Department of California American Legion Riders

Minutes January 30, 2010

0900

1. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 0900 by President Steve Weber
2. Invocation - The invocation was given by Chaplain, Mary Estrada
3. Additions to the Agenda – Addition to 7b. Update on the 2010 Convention by Jeff Gallagher.
10d – Department Banner
4. Roll Call – Secretary, Anita Bart
Present – President Steve Weber, Vice President Larry Miller, Secretary Anita Bart, Treasurer Joe Love, Sgt.-at-Arms Ken Cummings, Chaplain Mary Estrada, JAG John Bart, Service Officer Mike Shuster, Junior Vice President Luis Diaz, Area 4 VP, Gerald Kirby, Area 5 VP Reggie Jackson, Area 6 VP Ken Simpson.
Absent – Quartermaster Bob Scudero, Area 1 VP Albert Villa, Area 2 VP Vacant, Area 3 VP Jerry Scott
5. Approval of Minutes of December 19, 2009 – Joe Love moved to accept the minutes, Larry Miller 2nd the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
6. Financial Report – Treasurer, Joe Love Joe sent out the report to the board members Cash at the end of Jan. \$10,832.11. He is waiting for the invoice form Legion Sales. The per capita dues will begin coming in.
Larry Miller moved to approved report pending audit, Ken Cummings 2nd.
The motion passed unanimously.
7. Committee Reports
 - 7a. Quartermaster - Bob Scudero – No report
Steve Weber – stated that emblem sales will not sell any type of patch with legion riders on them emblem sale will not send. That was not the intent. Bill Slyer will also try to help with the situation. Larry Miller stated that they will not put anything extra such as state on the center patches, only straight patch without anything or with custom lettering. Steve Weber will check to see what the issue is.
 - 7b. Convention and Rally – Terry Baughman – Everything still going well. The Amador post will hold rally this year on Sep 11th, 2010
 - 7b1 Jeff Gallagher – Update for convention – Convention hotels are locked in. They

are on the web site. Make reservations early. They have 2 large buildings 1 for meeting, 1 for socializing Food Friday night will be spaghetti. There will be breakfast Sat. and Sun. and lunch and dinner on Sat. Dinner on St. will be a steak fry. There will be Entertainment Sat and Sun. with rides and vendors Sat. afternoon. On the 2nd week of Feb. package up on web site. People can pay with pay-pal. Registration can be as early as they wish. Space can be made for committee meetings needed. He will ask Wayne Cluky to have the POW/ MIA Bike there. Bikes will have secured parking area. Area 4 Offered to help out in any way.

Steve Weber – Stated Convention Cities has offered to help out with hotel arrangements if the ALR would possibly choose to have their convention the weekend before the state convention. It will be discussed at Convention.

7c. Pony Express Report – John Bart

They had their election for National Coordinator. Eagle Many Hats is the new coordinator.

7d. Constitution and bylaws – John Bart

He has been going through the bylaws there are a couple of minor typos that will come to convention. The proposed preamble he sent out will also be brought to convention.

7e. Uniform – Bob Scudero

No report

8. Area Reports

Area 1 – No report

Area 2. – Joe Love- Area VP Gene Blakeman (will be area VP again until convention). Wanted to know if he could get compensated for some of his traveling. It was suggested that there possibly be a fund created in areas to help with travel of VP. Steve Weber stated we are supposed to be based upon Squadron and Legion. They need to submit request and it has to follow those items that may be refundable, but some may not be. Possibly create a line item no grater that a certain % such as 8% that could be approved to assist with travel. Steve Weber stated this should be brought up at the finance meeting during convention. Larry Miller will discuss with Joe Love and John Bart to make sure we are following bylaws if we make a line item specified for some reimbursement. Larry Miller Made a motion for the Finance Committee review and report out to look into making a line item for travel. Luis Diaz 2nd. John Bart that Gene Blakeman cannot rescind resignation once it has been accepted. However, because both VP and Alternate has resigned, the President may make an appointment on the grounds with the approval of the board. Steve Weber make the appointments of Gene Blakeman as the Area 2 VP. Joe Loved moved to approve the appointment. Mary Estrada 2nd. The motion passed unanimously.

Area 3. – Ken Cummings -- There will an Area 3 meeting Feb 6th at the Madera Post.

Area 4 – Gerald Kirby - There will be an Area 4 meeting first Tues 7:30 post

Area 5- Reggie Jackson - Sunday March 21 @2:00 Meeting to honor Brother Wayne and

Cheryl as founding members of the CA. ALR.

Area 6 – Ken Simpson - Be putting out information for Oxnard meeting before convention. Chapter 826 is floundering because Chapter 507 is growing.

9. Old Business - None

10. New Business

10a. 2010 Convention Rules and Agenda – John Bart has sent out information of Convention rules as well as suggestions for membership on Convention Committees. Steve Weber asked everyone to review and it will be brought back to the next meeting.

10b. 2010 ALR DEC Nomination of Officers
Steve Weber asked for any DEC member running for an office for the 2010 -2011 year.
Larry Miller – President
Kenny Cumming - Sgt. At arms
Joe Love Another Year - Treasurer.

10 c. Convention Committee Membership
a. Constitution and by-laws
b. Convention City
c. Credentials
d. Finance
e. Membership
f. Organization and Rules
g. Public Relations
h. Resolutions

Area Caucuses will be on Saturday.

Steve Weber wanted to add a ways and means Committee with area members out of caucuses. The committee members will be seated during the Feb. DEC meeting

10c. New Chapters - No new chapters. Luis Diaz put up survey to help people update information.

10d Department Banner – Steve Weber requested approval to get the department banner will be kept by the Sgt. at Arms. Luis Diaz moved to approve up to \$400 to get the banner in white with stand and case. Ken Cumming 2nd. The motion passed.

11. Sick/Memorial – Chaplain, Mary Estrada
The legion will be celebrating The Four Chaplains Service. Mary gave the history of the Four Chaplains tradition. The official observance is in San Francisco at St. Mary's Cathedral on Feb 6 @ 2PM info available to the CA Dept website. For more info Contact Mary. The Chapter 48 president Earle Henderson is laid up because of arthritis. It is difficult for him to ride.
12. Good of the Order - President, Steve Weber
The next meeting will be Feb 13, 0900.
13. Benediction – Given by Chaplain, Mary Estrada
14. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 1035