

**MINUTES OF
AMERICAN LEGION RIDERS
DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

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Date: 08/16/08

		Time
Approved By:	Teleconference	Convened 0905
	Quorum Yes	Adjourned 1015

The meeting was convened as a teleconference at 0906 hrs by President Luis Diaz.

The Invocation was led by Jeff Gallagher

Roll Call of Officers

Present: President – Luis Diaz, Vice-President – Bob Scudero, Secretary – Jeff Gallagher, Treasurer- Tony Fettig, Sgt-at-Arms- Larry Miller, Judge Advocate – John Bart, Jr. Past President – Terry Baughman, Area 2 VP – Gene Blakeman, Area 3 VP – Jerry Scott, Area 4 VP – John Leonard, Area 6 VP – Ken Simpson (alternate for Steve Weber)

Absent: Chaplain – Mary Estrada (excused), Area 1 VP – Marc Povandra, Area 5 VP – Jake Jacobsen

A quorum was established.

Changes to Agenda

Move the New Chapters up to top of agenda

Add Wounded Warrior Bicycle Tour under New Business

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Terry Baughman and seconded Tony Fettig to approve the minutes of the regular June 28, 2008 meeting as written. **Motion Carried.**

Old Business

Quartermaster Update - Bob Scudero is shipping orders. He has received 3 orders so far. Bob gave a financial report on the cost vs. sales. He advised that there is a problem with the ordering system and that the ordering of 6 full sets can be a financial hardship for the smaller chapters. **Discussion Held.**

After discussion, a motion was made by Terry Baughman and seconded by Ken Simpson to turn some of the profit from previous sales into inventory and make less than sets of 6 patch sets available to accommodate the smaller chapters. **Motion Carried**

Bob then discussed that he has been receiving photos showing unattended ALR vests, etc. he believes they are coming from MCs who may not be so nice as to leave the patches laying around next time. **Discussion Held**

Bob received a request for checking into getting a CA ALR license plate like Emblem Sales has for TAL. **Discussion Held**

Post 509 Issues – Status Doc Bart spoke with the District 14 Judge Advocate. They did not discuss anything regarding the chapter and post issues at the last DEC. They have an appointment with the post commander. They will keep us informed. They continue to handle it at the post level unless law enforcement gets involved. **Discussion Held**

Headgear Issue – President Diaz gave a status report. He reiterated the issue at hand. He has sent a letter to the new Commander who stated that he needed to think about it. He advised that he has agreed in large part with the language we have adopted. Doc read the letter he received from the Commander. Doc Diaz will send a copy of the letter to the officers. **Discussion Held**

Committee Assignments President Diaz has not received all assignment requests. He will continue to work on this issue. One change is to delegate the Convention and Rally chair to jr. Past President as Bob Scudero is busy with quartermaster duties. All requests to host a convention should now go to Terry.

New Business

Post 911 Gene sent an email to the post commander offering our assistance in starting a chapter. He is just waiting to hear from them and they are ready to head over and help them out. **Discussion Held**

TAL National Convention Parade - Doc advised that there will be an "indoor parade" at national and they are allowing 4 riders only. If you are going as a delegate try to contact the SAA for the Department to try and get your name on the list.

New Chapter Certification

Doc commented that he has finally been able to get started on actual charters. Cost has been an issue on small runs. He believes that we can send out a charter at this time that may not be the final issue. **Discussion Held Jeff will handle the corporate seal issue.**

Chapter 432 Cambria- Discussion Held. Table item at this time

Chapter 26 Bakersfield – Motion by Larry Miller and seconded by Ken Simpson to grant a permanent charter. **Motion Carried**

Doc asked that all rosters be sent up so that the membership items can be consolidated. Jeff will call and discuss with him.

Road to Recovery – Jim Banacus asked for a status report on this program. **Discussion Held**

Sick/Memorial

None

Good of the Order

None

Benediction

Secretary Jeff Gallagher offered the benediction

Adjournment

The next meeting will be held on October 18, 2008 at 0900 hrs. With there being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned by President Diaz at 1015 hrs.

Respectfully Submitted

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Jeff Gallagher
Secretary