

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

Compiled By: Jeff Gallagher

Date: 10/18/08

Time

Approved By:

Teleconference

Convened 0905

Quorum Yes

Adjourned 1055

The meeting was convened as a teleconference at 0905 hrs by President Luis Diaz.

The Invocation was led by Chaplain Mary Estrada

Roll Call of Officers

Present: President: Luis Diaz, Vice President: Bob Scudero, Secretary: Jeff Gallagher, Treasurer: Tony Fettig, Sergeant-at-Arms: Larry Miller, Chaplain: Mary Estrada, Judge Advocate: John "Doc" Bart, Service Officer: Wayne Cloukey, Past President: Terry Baughman. Area Vice-Presidents: Area 2 - Tom Jacobsen for Gene Blakeman, Area 3- Jerry Scott, Area 4 - John Leonard, Area 5 - Reggie L. Jacobsen, Area 6- Steve Weber

Absent: Area 1 Vice-President- Dan Jordan

A quorum was established.

Changes to Agenda

Add chartering of chapters 862 and 263 to agenda under New Business.

Discussion of Resolution on Membership

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Steve Weber and seconded by Tom Jacobsen to approve the minutes of the regular August 16, 2008 meeting as written. **Motion Carried.**

Old Business

Quartermaster – Bob Scudero reported on activity since the last meeting. He advised he just ordered a large stock order but there is still cash that can be returned to the finance officer if needed. This should replace the original seed money. **Discussion Held**

Discussion was also held on the other items that are coming down (pins, shirts, etc.) that will be sold. Bob will update the web page. He also discussed a new source for rockers

that may be necessary due to the time it is taking to get the patch sets from Emblem Sales.

Post 509 Status John Doc Bart advised that the issues are being handled by the Department JA from TAL. A report has not been made back to us yet.

Post 911 President Diaz gave a report on the expansion of the post. He rode with them on the Road to Recovery. John "Doc" Bart advised that he has a copy of their bylaws for review. **Discussion Held**

Report on National Convention – No report

Road to Recovery – President Diaz said the run went very well and thanked everyone who participated. He said it was an excellent event to work with for our organization.

Discussion Held

Committee Assignments – President Diaz advised that a lot of people have not sent in recommendations. If he does not receive the info soon, he will just make the assignments without input. The Rally and Convention Committee is up and running. There is a survey and he wants everyone to sign on and fill it out. He will then summarize the info.

New Business

New Chapters Discussion was held on what the chapters need to have prior to submitting for chartering.

New chapters to be chartered include chapters 432 (Cambria), Chapter 716 (Los Alamitos), 862 (Bakersfield) and 263 (Escalon). All Chapters were recommended for chartering. Steve Weber made a motion to charter all chapters. Second by Jerry Scott.

Motion Carried

West Coast Rally and Financial Report – Tony Fettig gave the financial report on the WC Rally. The monthly financial report had already been distributed by email Tony thanked the finance committee for their work on this. In the future, the finance report will be held as a separate item immediately after approval of the minutes. **Discussion Held**

2009 Convention – Terry reported that San Leandro will be hosting the convention and everything is in process for having a successful convention. He reported that Chapter 555 has requested the convention for 2010. Terry stated that he would like to be 3 years ahead on the convention schedule. **Discussion Held**

Golden Gate Fields Events – Doc Diaz discussed this. They are veteran friendly and people friendly. **Discussion Held**

Resolution on Membership – Steve Weber stated that the Area 6 meeting and the rally that kids were wearing patches. He wanted to discuss a change in bylaws so that any family member could be a member. That would include children, spouses, etc.

Discussion Held Table until next meeting as "Young Membership"

John Bart advised that the Department TAL made it clear that we could only have one class of membership due to issues with our original charter from Congress.

National Coordinator John Bart advised the Pony Express has asked him to be National Coordinator. The PE wants to use a type of patch as "future r rider" that utilizes the ALR patch. **Discussion Held**

Sick/Memorial

None

Good of the Order

Jeff Gallagher advised of the Veterans Day poker run at Post 555

San Jose has a veterans day parade. The mayor has invited Tom Jacobsen's post 564 to ride and she will be at the head of the group

John Bart advised 11/11 will have theirs in Fresno. Info to be out soon.

Jake Jacobsen asked Doc to look into Ken Nelson and his true history. Doc Bart advised that the issue has been confirmed. **Discussion Held**

Steve Weber discussed the Road to Recovery as it came through Ventura.

Doc Diaz advised that he will open space on the website for candidates for the next year.

Doc Bart advised that his son will graduate urban warfare on November 7th.

The Road to Thunder goes on sale November 7th. It is a good movie on the annual rally.

Benediction

Chaplain Mary Estrada offered the benediction

Adjournment

The next meeting will be held on November 29, 2008 at 0900 hrs. With there being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned by President Diaz at 1055 hrs.

Respectfully Submitted



Jeff Gallagher
Secretary