

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

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Date: 11/29/08

Time

Approved By:

Teleconference

Convened 0900

Quorum Yes

Adjourned 1048

The meeting was convened as a teleconference at 0900 hrs by President Luis Diaz.

The Invocation was led by Chaplain Mary Estrada

Roll Call of Officers

Present: President: Luis Diaz, 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 1- Dan Jordan 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: Vice President: Bob Scudero (Excused), Service Officer: Wayne Cloukey, Area 2 VP: Gene Blakeman (Excused)

A quorum was established.

Changes to Agenda

New Addition Make #7 Committee Reports

Add Elections to 9c

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Steve Weber and seconded by John Leonard to approve the Minutes of the previous meeting. **Motion Carried**

Financial Report

Tony Fettig gave financial report and discussed certain exceptional items. He also advised that he and Bob Scudero have been working on the inventory report and the issues they have had with forming complete accounting of the Quartermaster. Discussion Held. Motion to approve the Financial Report was made by Steve Weber and seconded by Jeff Gallagher. **Motion Carried**

Committee Reports

Quartermaster

Quartermaster report is on the web.

2009 Convention

President Diaz said everything is moving along well. He advised that they have lots of items coming and they are working collaboratively with local chapters. He also discussed putting something up on the website to facilitate nominations and elections. Discussion held.

Old Business

Young Membership (tabled from Oct. 18th)

John Bart advised that if we change any membership provisions, we will have problems with the IRS, tax exemption and National. His recommendation is to remain as is. Discussion Held. Steve Weber asked that we table it again until the JA can make inquiries with the Dept. and National JAs. President Diaz directed that an ad hoc committee be formed to establish an appropriate direction and make the appropriate inquiries for this issue with a report due next meeting. Doc appointed Terry Baughman , Steve Weber and John Bart.

Pony Express Report

Doc Bart gave his report on the Pony Express. He stated that a concern of the formers of the PE is that there is a move afoot to format the PE in the manner of ALR. That was not their intention and they wish to keep it at the post level. **Discussion Held**

New Business

New Chapters

Chapter 74- Jeff recommended they be chartered provisionally until the bylaws can be revised to eliminate the "supporter" section in their bylaws. Discussion Held. Motion to charter provisionally made by Jeff Gallagher and seconded by second by Steve Weber. **Motion Carried.**

Terry brought up the issue that chapter 383 has been getting their chapter patches from a different source. Dan Jordan will look into it. Doc Bart reminded everyone that the patch is copyrighted and there is action being taken on sources near Fresno on copyright infringement. The issue has been exacerbated by Emblem Sales not abiding by the sole source agreement with ALR-DOC. **Discussion Held**

Proposed Change to Bylaws

Jeff discussed proposal to change bylaws to eliminate the term limits for secretary and financial officer. Discussion Held. After discussion, it was decided to have John Bart draft this as part of the bylaws changes.

Convention and Rally

Terry gave a status report on the future convention and rally sites. At this time, there are no requests for a rally site for 2009. Lompoc and Midway City have both requested the convention for 2010.

Sick/Memorial

Mary advised there have been no reported sick or memorial. She reminded each of us to reach out during this time for those who may not have what we have.

Good of the Order

Chapter 48 will be riding in the Oxnard Christmas parade next Saturday

Auburn is forming a chapter at this time. Jackson also is forming at this time.

Mary reminded everyone of the February 4 Chaplains Ceremony

Jake advised we have two new chapters forming in Chula Vista and San Diego

Doc suggested that we go dark in December and hold our next regular DEC meeting in January 17, 2009.

Benediction

Chaplain Mary Estrada offered the benediction

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, President Diaz adjourned the meeting at 10:48 hrs. The next meeting of the DEC will be a teleconference held on January 17, 2009 at 0900 hrs.

Respectfully Submitted



Jeff Gallagher
Secretary