



AMERICAN LEGION NEWPORT HARBOR POST 291
215 15th Street, Newport Beach, CA 92663
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
August 10, 2016

Meeting called to order at 1902 hrs

Invocation Chaplain William Bennett

Pledge of Allegiance Commander Nye

Roll Call:

<u>X</u> Doug Nye, Commander	<u>X</u> Ken George, 1 st Vice	<u>X</u> Roger Henry 2 nd Vice	<u> </u> S.Schneeberger 3 rd Vice <i>exc</i>
<u> </u> Marco Montes, Adj. <i>excused</i>	<u>X</u> Robert Wright, Jdg Adv	<u>X</u> Paul Meye, Finance	<u>X</u> William Bennett, Chaplain
<u>X</u> Jesse Garcia, Svc Officer	<u>X</u> Tim Bercovitz, Sgt-at-Arms	<u> </u> Patti Carson, <i>excused</i>	<u>X</u> Jess Lawson, Jr. Past
<u>X</u> Don Putzig, M.a.L.	<u>X</u> Mike Schubert, M.a.L.	<u>X</u> Rich Whitlinger, M.a.L	<u>X</u> Ken Widdall, M.a.L
<u>X</u> Al Yarrington, M.a.L.	<u>X</u> Robert Wright, M.a.L		

Honored Guests: Barbara Hallett, Walt Wagner – Past Post 291 Commanders. Dan Ferrari Past Post & Dist 29 F.O.

Reports from Legion Family Members & Other Guests:

Auxiliary – President Cat Katz – Blood Drive scheduled Oct 10, Holiday Boutique Nov 10, Troop Shipping Nov 12.

SAL – Adjutant Butch Rowe – Boat Parade Dec 14 – 18, 2016. Call Post for Reservations

ALYC – Commodore Neil Harden, Sailing events every weekend, Dive Club being organized, Channel Island Cruises.

Bar & Restaurant: Cmdr. Nye – our post is a great venue for all members and family, take advantage of renting our facilities

Honor Guard: Cmdr. Brian Fleming, Jr. Honor Guard will compete for National Commander Honor Guard at National Convention in Cincinnati.

Minutes Jr. Past Lawson in Adjutant Marco Montes absence read minutes from Executive Board Meeting August 4, 2016

M/S/C to waive the reading of July 15, 2016 General Meeting Minutes

M/S/C to approve General Meeting Minutes from the meeting of July 15, 2016

Correspondence – no reports

Officer Reports:

Commander

Commander Nye thanked all members for continuing to be involved with all Post activities & participating in many events. Nye further challenged each member to bring in one new member during the 2017 Command year.

The Commander received a signed petition from 37 members in good standing to amend the Constitution and the By-Laws. The amendments are required to be read at two consecutive general meetings. Tonight is the first reading. The Judge Advocate, Robert Wright, read the proposed amendments for the first time. There are four amendments, one to the Constitution and three to the By-Laws. All the changes raise the number of members required to sign a petition to amend the Constitution or the By-Laws from 25 to 150.

1st Vice Cmdr. Ken George –There are 41 new inductees and transfers tonight.

2nd Vice Cmdr. Roger Henry – reported on up-coming events and bands. Members encouraged to see website: al291.com

3rd Vice Cmdr. Sandy Schneeberger – Excused

Service Officer – No Report

Judge Advocate – No Report

Chaplain – No Report

Historian – No Report

Finance Officer – Paul Meye – Financial Statement Summary as of **YTD 07/31/2016**

	YTD 2016		YTD 2015		
MEMBERSHIP					CHG
INCOME	154,774		141,501		13,273
OTHER INCOME	26,245		233		26,011
TOTAL INCOME	181,019		141,734		39,285
EXPENSES	192,184		175,056		17,127
NET INCOME	(11,165)		(33,344)		22,157
SUMMARY	YTD 2016		YTD 2015		
	NET	BANK	NET	BANK	CASH
	INCOME	CASH	INCOME	CASH	CHG
MEMBERSHIP	(11,165)	432,244	(33,322)	403,387	28,857
OPERATING	92,678	165,349	44,697	109,538	55,811
TOTAL AL 291	81,513	597,593	11,375	512,925	84,668

New Business: None

Good of the Legion: Executive Committee Member Ken Widdall reminded members to watch for regular troop shipping days. Auxiliary members act as coordinators but need many volunteers to make the program effective.

Meeting Adjourned at 2020 hrs.

Respectfully submitted,

Jess Lawson, Jr. Past Cmdr.

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Marco Montes, Adjutant