



AMERICAN LEGION NEWPORT HARBOR POST 291
215 15th Street, Newport Beach, CA 92663
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, July 11, 2018

Meeting called to order at 1905 hours

The Colors were advanced.

Invocation: Skipper Tim Bercovitz

Pledge of Allegiance: Commander Nye

POW/MIA Ceremony: Kevin Van Otterloo and Brian Fleming

Recited the Preamble of the Constitution of The American Legion: lead by Commander Nye

Roll Call:

Doug Nye, Commander	Robert Wright, Judge Advocate	Don Putzig, M.a.L.
Mike Schubert, 1 st Vice	Paul Meye, Finance Officer	Al Yarrington, M.a.L.
Anne Borren, 2 nd Vice	Skipper Tim Bercovitz, Sgt-at-Arms	Rich Whitlinger, M.a.L.
Sandy Schneeberger 3 rd Vice	Jesse Garcia, Service Officer	Robert Wright, M.a.L.
Jess Lawson, Jr. Past Comm	Open, Chaplain	Rob White, M.a.L.
Gene Anderson, Adjutant	Carmen Williams, Historian	Wayne Zippi, M.a.L.

EXCUSED: Robert Wright, Al Yarrington, and Rob White

Honored Guests: None in attendance.

The Commander discussed the recent deaths of Post members.

Reports from Legion Family Members & Other Guests:

Auxiliary – Debbie Schubert, President – No report was made.

SAL – Art Jimenez, 2nd Vice: Announced they have a lot of events coming up this year. Mentioned they recently held a successful fishing trip; another fishing trip is scheduled for July 26th. They worked with habitat for Humanity in building homes for veterans in need. On June 16th they held their annual toast to our father’s event. They celebrated Flag Day on the lawn. They are planning a golf tournament for the September – October time frame.

ALYC – Doug Green, Commodore: – Discussed the 16-week Monday night Sundowner Race Series that started on May 7th and will run through the end of August. Announced that their June membership meeting is tomorrow night. Discussed what’s going on as regards Catalina Island. Mentioned they are holding a cruise up to Cabrillo Beach. Discussed the 4th of July Boat Parade. Discussed their Youth Sailing program.

Bar & Restaurant – Jon Reynolds – Discussed the kitchen staff and the excellent way in which they perform their duties. Discussed the advantages of being a member of the Post as a Legionnaire. Encouraged people to take advantage of the amenities offered by the Post. Mentioned that we have a full bar (open 7 days a week) and restaurant (open 6 days a week – closed on Mondays). Mentioned that Father’s Day is coming up, and that reservations are suggested. Discussed the 4th of July event, and that Make-a-Wish will be here around the noon hour on that day.

Post Color Guard – Commander Brian Fleming – Announced they will be competing at the Department Convention at the end of the month.

Executive Board Meeting Minutes: Gene Anderson, Adjutant, read the June 7th Executive Board Meeting minutes.

General Meeting Minutes: Commander Nye requested the following motion be made by the membership:

M/S/C to waive the reading of May 9th, 2018 General Meeting Minutes.

The motion was approved.

Commander Nye requested the following motion be made by the membership:

M/S/C to approve the May 9th, 2018 General Meeting Minutes.

The motion was approved.

Correspondence: Gene Anderson, Adjutant, reported there was no correspondence to report this month.

Commander's Comments: The Commander made several general comments.

Officer Reports:

1st Vice Commander Mike Schubert – is in-charge of membership for the Post. Mike Schubert announced that we made our membership goal; we are at 100% for membership renewals.

2nd Vice Commander Anne Borren – is in-charge of fund raising and entertainment for the Post. Pointed out that upcoming event flyers are on all the tables. Mentioned that we have Monday night yacht racing, Tuesday night Taco Night and line dancing, Wednesday is meeting night, Thursday is Jazz by the Bay night, Friday is dinner and dancing night, and Saturday and Sunday we have bands under the Big Top. Announced June 15th is the Sock Hop event; June 16th is Casino Night, June 17th is Father's Day, and July 4th is upcoming. Mentioned the sailing for Vets program.

3rd Vice Commander Sandy Schneeberger – is in-charge of Americanism, Boys State, the High School Oratorical Contest, and Boy Scouts. Announced 27 boys are being sent to Boys State this year. Mentioned she is going to Sacramento to assist with the Boys State program.

Finance Officer Paul Meye – is in-charge of Post Operations. He mentioned that our Post is divided into two sections; membership and business. Discussed the Post's finances through the end of May 2018. See the table below. He mentioned that the Post has no debts, and that the Post is in a very strong financial position.

Financial Statement Executive Summary as of YTD 5/31/2018

Post 291 Business P&L By Class									
YTD 2018	ADMIN	BAR	REST	BANQUET	TOTAL REST/BAN	HALL	CUSTOD	MARINA	TOTAL
TOT INC	\$4,312	\$250,395	\$283,362	\$113,007	\$396,369	\$44,491		\$139,236	\$834,802
COGS		\$175,498	\$302,223	\$101,488	\$403,711				\$579,209
GROSS PROFIT	\$4,312	\$74,897	\$(18,861)	\$11,519	(\$7,342)	\$44,491		\$139,236	\$255,594
EXPENSES	\$58,374	\$57,467	\$39,612	\$4,128	\$43,740	\$30,159	\$72,946	\$75,765	\$338,452
NET ORD INC	(\$54,062)	\$17,430	(\$58,473)	(\$7,391)	(\$51,081)	\$14,331	(\$72,946)	\$63,471	(\$82,858)
OTHER INC	\$92,895		\$1,500		\$1,500				\$95,895
OTHER EX									

NET INCOME	\$38,832	\$17,430	(\$56,973)	(\$7,391)	(\$49,581)	\$14,331	(\$72,946)	\$63,471	\$11,537
BANK BAL	\$1.104m		\$899k						
OPERATE ACCT	\$42k		\$146k						
MBRSHIP ACCT	\$62k		\$135k						
RESERVE ACCT	\$846k		\$499k						

Judge Advocate Robert Wright – is in-charge of the Post’s Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules and Regulations. He had nothing to report.

Service Officer Jesse Garcia – is in charge of Veteran’s Assistance Programs. Discussed a non-profit organization that would like to volunteer and help an older low-income veteran with work around the house. Mentioned that Sea World is offering free admission (you have to go on-line) to veterans and their families through July 4th. Discussed a homeless female veteran with 3 children. She spends 6 hours a day on the bus going to and from work, and she is in need of a car. Asked if anyone had a vehicle to donate to her through the Post they will get a charitable donation.

Historian Carmen Williams – is in-charge of the Pictorial History of the Post. He had nothing to report.

Chaplain William Bennett – is in-charge of the Spiritual Welfare of Post Members. The Commander stated that William Bennett is under the weather. He had nothing to report.

New Members

The Commander announced there are no new members joining the Post this month.

New Business

There was nothing to report.

Good of the Legion

Rees Lloyd mentioned the Sailing for Vets Program offered by Skipper Tim Bercovitz, and that the National Commander came out in favor of the Flag Amendment.

Skipper Tim Bercovitz: said the closing prayer.

Retired the MIA/POW Flag.

Meeting Adjourned at 1946 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Gene Anderson
Adjutant, Newport Harbor Post 291 American Legion