



AMERICAN LEGION NEWPORT HARBOR POST 291
EXECUTIVE BOARD MINUTES
THURSDAY, MARCH 7, 2019

SILENCE CELL PHONES

CALL TO ORDER: 1807 HRS

INVOCATION: Ken Wilson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: COMMANDER

ROLL CALL:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Doug Nye, Commander | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robert Wright, Judge Advocate | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Don Putzig, M.a.L. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mike Schubert, 1 st Vice | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Paul Meye, Finance Officer | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Al Yarrington, M.a.L. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anne Borren, 2 nd Vice | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Skipper Tim Bercovitz, Sgt-at-Arms | <input type="checkbox"/> Rich Whitlinger, M.a.L. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sandy Schneeberger, 3 rd Vice | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jesse Garcia, Service Officer | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robert Wright, M.a.L. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jess Lawson, Jr. Past Comm | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ken Wilson, Chaplain | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kevin Van Otterloo, M.a.L. |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gene Anderson, Adjutant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carman Williams, Historian | <input type="checkbox"/> Wayne Zippi, M.a.L. |
| | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rees Lloyd, Legal Advisor |

EXCUSED: Jess Lawson, Mike Schubert, Rich Whitlinger, Wayne Zippi

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS & GUEST COMMENTS:

Guests: 1. Larry Furiani

COMMANDER: Reminder that this meeting is conducted in accordance with Post 291 Bylaws & Roberts Rules of Order.

Legion Family & Donations

- a) SAL – Tim Sullivan, Commander – Announced that everything is going well. He discussed the upcoming fishing trips. He announced they formed a new donation committee. He stated that they donated \$10,000 to the 1st Marines. He closed by discussing their intent to hold a new fundraiser this year.
- b) Auxiliary – Kendall Madsen, 1st Vice Commander – She mentioned that everything is going well. Announced that on April 1st they will send out a membership mailing announcing an increase in dues to offset costs. Announced that on April 21st they are having a wine tasting event, and that the 100th Anniversary of the American Legion is on March 14th.
- c) Veterans 291 Yacht Club – Richard Reyna, Commodore – He announced that they have 26 new members for the Veterans 291 Yacht Club. He mentioned that they are working on a new burgee, and that they are working on establishing reciprocity with other Yacht Clubs.

COMMANDER:

- a) All Board members received a copy of the **February 7th Executive Board Meeting Minutes**, distributed by email:
 - The Commander asked for a motion to “**waive the reading of the February 7th Executive Board Meeting Minutes?**”
 - The Commander asked for a motion to “**approve the February 7th Executive Board Meeting Minutes?**”
 - Both motions were approved.

- b) All Board members received copies of the House Committee Minutes for **February 6th, 20th, and 27th** in the packets handed out for review.
- The Commander asked for a motion to “**waive the reading of the House Committee Minutes in the E-Board packets.**”
 - The motion was approved.

ADJUTANT REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE:

There is nothing to report this month.

COMMANDER

The Commander discussed the following issues:

- St. Paddy’s Day event.
- Celebrating the American Legion’s 100th Anniversary on Friday night March 14th.
- That the American Legion’s 100th Anniversary tee shirts and hats will be on sale at the St. Paddy’s Day event.
- Mentioned that the District 29 meeting is on Sunday March 17th.
- Stated that tile will be installed in the bar on Monday-Tuesday, March 11-12, and that the carpeting will be installed one week later.
- Discussed that the hall and bar will soon have new heating and air conditioning, and that the bids are out.
- Mentioned that a new fence has been installed along the ally and that it was paid for by a member.

OFFICERS’ REPORTS

1ST VICE COMMANDER – Speaking about membership.

Mike Schubert announced that we that we are at 92% renewal, and that we should reach 100% in May. He mentioned that there is a bill before Congress to permit the American Legion to accept veterans that served during non-war times.

2ND VICE COMMANDER – Speaking about upcoming events and bands.

Anne Borren stated she has nothing to report.

3RD VICE COMMANDER – Speaking on Americanism, youth and children, Boys State, and the Oratorical Contest.

Sandy Schneeberger mentioned that 32 boys were interviewed for Boys State. She mentioned that the Post has sent in funds for 25 boys, and she would like the Post to pay for 2 additional boys from Posts that cannot afford it. District 29 has a quota of 89 boys – the largest of all the Districts.

FINANCE OFFICER – Speaking on Post operations.

Paul Meye discussed the Post’s finances through March 7, 2019.

JUDGE ADVOCATE – Speaking on the Post’s Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules and Regulations.

Robert Wright requested to speak during Closed Session.

SERVICE OFFICER – Speaking on the Post 291 veteran’s assistance programs.

Jesse Garcia, Service Officer, discussed the long-term effects of Agent Orange on Vietnam vets.

M/S/C: A motion was made and approved to purchase US Mint American Legion Coin Sets for a NTE \$1,500.

Financial Statement Executive Summary as of YTD 3/7/2019

Post 291 Business P&L By Class									
YTD 2019	ADMIN	BAR	REST	BANQUET	TOTAL REST/BAN	HALL	CUSTOD	MARINA	TOTAL
TOT INC	903	70,283	80,247	65,093	145,340	24,322		68,629	309,478
COGS		55,449	130,708	57,285	187,993				243,442
GROSS PROFIT	903	14,834	(50,461)	7,809	(42,653)	24,322		68,629	66,036
EXPENSES	27,031	19,505	14,988	1,252	16,240	12,391	27,108	33,269	135,544
NET ORD INC	(26,128)	(4,670)	(65,450)	6,557	(58,893)	11,931	(27,108)	33,360	(69,508)
OTHER INC	62,600								62,508
OTHER EX									
NET INCOME	36,472	(4,670)	(65,450)	6,557	(58,893)	11,931	(27,108)	33,360	(6,908)
BANK BAL	1m083k		1m174k						
OPERATE ACCT	51k		97k						
MBRSHIP ACCT	13k		126k						
RESERVE ACCT	903k		846k						

CHAPLAIN – Speaking on the spiritual welfare of Post members.

Ken Wilson mentioned that 6 members passed away in January and February. He also reported that the Chaplain's Corner on the Post's webpage has been updated.

HISTORIAN – Speaking on the pictorial history of the Post.

Carmen Williams had nothing to report this month.

OTHER BUSINESS

Jesse Garcia mentioned that Billy Dunn's 6-month-old child (Benny) passed away, and that flowers were sent.

Sandy Schneeberger discussed the VSO training that is available through the VA. She also mentioned that the Cal-Vet books should be available in about one-month.

Rees Lloyd spoke on the status of the Bladensburg Cross law suit. Anne Boren made the following motion:

M/S/C: A motion was made and approved to send a letter of appreciation to the Alliance Defending Freedom who represented us in the Supreme Court regarding the Bladensburg Cross law suit.

GOOD OF THE LEGION

Nothing to report.

WENT INTO CLOSED SESSION: 1908 hours.

Discussed issues associated with the ALYC. Two Incident Reports were discussed.

RETURNED TO OPEN SESSION: 2106 hours.

The following two motions were made during the Closed Session:

M/S/C: A motion was made and approved to take the two Incident Reports discussed during the Closed Session to an investigation.

M/S/C: A motion was made and approved to continue with the suspension of Bruce Batcheller until the matter is resolved.

ADJOURNED: 2107 hours.