



AMERICAN LEGION NEWPORT HARBOR POST 291
215 15th Street, Newport Beach, CA 92663
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
Via GoToWebinar
Wednesday, December 9, 2020

Review of webinar process and key user controls

Meeting called to order at approximately 1900 hours

Invocation: Chaplin Ken Wilson

Members Transferring to Post Everlasting

Jessie J Flores
Gerald E Harrell
Edward Jacklin
Joseph F Jennings
Terrence M Lundy
James R McClain
Michael J O'Kelly
James W Schmidt
George P Wright

Pledge of Allegiance: Commander Jon Reynolds

Roll Call:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jon Reynolds, Commander	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bob Wine, Finance Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Kevin Van Otterloo, M.a.L. – exc.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mike Berdine, Adjutant	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rich Frauenzimmer, Historian	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Robert Wright, M.a.L.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bob Brennen, 1 st Vice	<input type="checkbox"/> Bob Grundmeyer, Sgt-at-Arms – exc.	<input type="checkbox"/> Rich Whitlinger, M.a.L. – exc.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anthony Morales, 2 nd Vice	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ken Wilson, Chaplain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wayne Zippi, M.a.L.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jim Updike, 3 rd Vice	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cory Vigil, Ser. Off	<input type="checkbox"/> Nick Giordano, M.a.L. – exc.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Doug Nye, Jr. Past Comm.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Burt McChesney, Judge Adv.	<input type="checkbox"/> Eric Schroeder, M.a.L. – exc.

Honored Guests: Bob Carolan, Dan Ferrari,

Guest Speaker - LCDR Richard Oberreiter, Director, Strategic Communications, California State Guard

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The California State Guard Organizational Overview



California Military Department - Missions

Federal –

Army and Air National Guard

- Fight out nation's wars.
- Since 9/11 California National Guard members have deployed 50,000 times



State –

CANG, CAANG and CSG

- Disaster response and support of civil authorities
- California State Guard is a State agency.



Community –

CMD sponsored

- California Cadet Corp
- Grizzly, Sunburst, Discovery Youth Academies
- Oakland Military Institute
- StarBase
- Work for Warriors



Who is the California State Guard

- State military force, not a warfighting force
- Hold same ranks and privileges as National Guard
- Majority of personnel are volunteers. Only paid if called up or on training duty
- Both prior service and non-prior service.
- Membership standards different than active duty.
- Governor can call up when needed
 - When activated, paid at the same rate as federal forces
- Not subject to Federal call up or overseas deployment



CSG Army Component

- All units integrated with counterpart National Guard unit
 - JFHQ & Division HQ Staff
 - Sustainment Brigade
 - Infantry Brigade
 - Specialty Staff (Chaplain, JAG, Etc)
- Enhance training of National Guard
 - Marksmanship Team
 - Medic training
 - Vehicle / Rotary maintenance
 - OPFOR role players
 - Evaluators
 - Admin and supply functions
- Disaster response and civil support
 - Traffic Control
 - Security at Incident Command
 - CMD facilities security
 - General purpose / labor





CSG Air Component

- All units integrated with California Air National Guard
- Training support to Wings and Groups
- Aerial Port Squadron, augmentation for CAANG
- Humanitarian support
- Responsible for the State Alternate Joint Operations Center at JFTB Los Alamitos



CSG Maritime Component

- Littoral Command (inshore/offshore <3 mi)
 - Operate small watercraft (Rescue/Jon Boats)
 - Perform surface Search and Rescue
 - Flood rescue and evacuation,
 - Swift water rescue
 - Force packages are air transportable
- Coastal Command (inshore/coastal waters)
 - Operate small- to medium-sized watercraft
 - Perform waterborne courtesy, security, and enforcement missions
 - Watercraft assistance
 - Maritime patrol
 - Permissive enforcement (Fisheries/Pollution Control)
 - Perform surface and subsurface Search, Rescue and Recovery



Swift Water Rescue



47' Patrol Boat



CSG OPS GRP

- CSG force dedicated to emergency and disaster response
 - Not permanently aligned to National Guard Units, however may be temporarily assigned for state emergencies
- Joint Command integrating members from CSG Army, Air & Maritime Components
- Range of missions include:
 - Wildland Firefighting
 - Search and Rescue
 - Cyber Defense
 - Shelter Operations
 - Generator and Power
 - General purpose response



CSG - Cyber Command

- California Cybersecurity Integration Center
 - Manned by Office of Emergency Services, California Military Department and CHP
- Primary mission is to reduce the likelihood and severity of cyber incidents that could damage California's economy, critical infrastructure, or public and private sector computer networks.
- California is the only state to have a proactive cybersecurity office that is manned by a State Guard
- High demand. Consistently recruiting talented individuals



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CSG JAG - Legal

- Able to represent service members and families in state court regarding matters relating to Soldiers and Sailors relief act, family law and other areas
- Represents CSG service members in investigations, administrative and courts martial proceedings
- Provides legal support to CAARNG, CAANG and Coast Guard
- Support other agencies 24/7 on government laws and regulations, cyber, and environmental issues



CSG Medical

- State Surgeon Office; Senior Command responsible for policy development throughout the CSG.
- Joint Medical Command. Manages and assigns Providers for internal missions and external for emergency response
- CSG Component medical personnel. Direct support to commands and field units.
- Medical Specialties: Surgeons, P.A.'s, Nurses, Lab Tech, Pharmacy, EMT, MA's.



CSG Museum Command

- Responsible for curating and preserving the history of both the National and State Guard
- Funded by Legislation
- Operates museums at Joint Force Training Base, Camp San Luis Obispo, and Camp Roberts
- Collects, organizes and produces after action reports.




Cavalry & Honor Guard

Support for parades, special events and veteran funerals




Guest Speaker - LCDR Richard Oberreiter – continued



Future

- Developing new emergency response capabilities such as remotely piloted aircraft for search and rescue
- Strengthening partnership with Civil Air Patrol
- CSG Foundation created to accept financial and equipment donations. Non-profit 501 (c) (3)
- Recruit and develop talent. Both prior and non-prior service.



Are you Ready to Respond?

Reports from Legion Family Members & Other Guests:

Auxiliary – Dana Johnston, Executive Committee Member – Toy collection drive is underway. Raffle tickets are being sent in. A See's Candy promotion is being considered.

SAL – Commander Tim Sullivan – Boat Parade and event at the Post have been cancelled. Reservation holders are being contacted. Planning events for next year.

American Legion Yacht Club – Bruce Batcheller, Commodore – Supplied an overview of ALYC activities including past and upcoming cruises, model sailing, racing events and youth sailing. ALYC awarded SCYA Club of the Year for 2020.

Honor Guard – Brian Fleming Jr., Commander – Nothing on the books. Available to perform services. Still need additional team members.

General Membership Meeting Minutes: Commander Reynolds requested the following motion be made by the members

A motion to approve the Minutes of the November 11 General Meeting.

M/S/C the motion to approve the Minutes of the November 11 General Meeting carried.

Stopped at 49:00

Correspondence:

Per Adjutant Berdine, no correspondence to report.

Officer Reports:

Commander Jon Reynolds - Per projected presentation

Commander's Comments / Report

- Recent Activities

- o Orange County back to Purple Tier Monday 16 November
- o Discussions with City on Seawall Construction Thursday 19 November
- o CPR Trng [American Heart Assn] Saturday 21 November
- o Thanksgiving Thursday 26 November
- o Committee appointed for Post Security Tuesday 1 December
- o ALYC awarded SCYA 2020 Club of the Year Tuesday 1 December
- o SAL 291 received National Award — Largest Sunday 6 December
- o So Cal Region — Stay At Home Order effective Monday 7 December
 - Outside dining at Post discontinued
 - Drive-thru takeout food service continuing
 - Back to operating mode and procedures as last March, April, May

Commander's Comments / Report (cont)

- Actions Underway

- o Discussions continuing with City on Seawall Collateral Construction Costs
- o Discussions continuing with City on City's financial audit of Post

- Upcoming Events / Meetings

- o VA Flu Shots — Drive-thru 8:00 am Saturday 12 December
- o Christmas Boat Parade [SAL event canceled] Wednesday 16 December
- o Christmas Friday 25 December
- o Next E-Board Meeting 6:30 pm Thursday 7 January
- o Next GMM 7:00 pm Wednesday 13 January

Commander's Comments / Report (cont)

- On Going Post Operations — Rules

- o Post 291 is closed — except for:
 - Administrative services at Front Office window
 - Drive-thru takeout food and beverage service
 - Marina
- o Post parking lot:
 - Takeout customers must pick up order and depart. — No "picnicing."
 - Parking available only for:
 - o Employees on duty
 - o Post Officers on official business
 - o Marina slip renters
- o Drive-thru takeout food service available daily — and open to public
- o No in-person meetings may be held at the Post
- o All Post 291 Family meetings must be held by videoconference
- o Marina is open — wet slip and dry storage renters have access to vessels
- o Reopening Planning Committee continues to explore additional options
- o Support of military veterans needing assistance continues

Officer Reports - continued

Adjutant Mike Berdine – No report

1st Vice Commander Bob Brennen – Membership – No report.

Commander Reynolds presented the below update

Post 291 Membership Summary		
Monday 30 November 2020		
• Membership — Wednesday 31 October 2020		4,125
○ Plus:		
• New Members	17	
• Member Renewals (YTD)	2,959	
• Transfers In	6	
• TOTAL ACCESSIONS	2,982	
○ Minus:		
• Member Deaths	10	
• Declined to Renew (Not in 4,125 above)	2,968	
• Transfers Out	3	
• TOTAL ATTRITIONS	2,981	
• Membership — Monday 30 November 2020		4,126
• Membership Goal for 2020-2021:		3,991

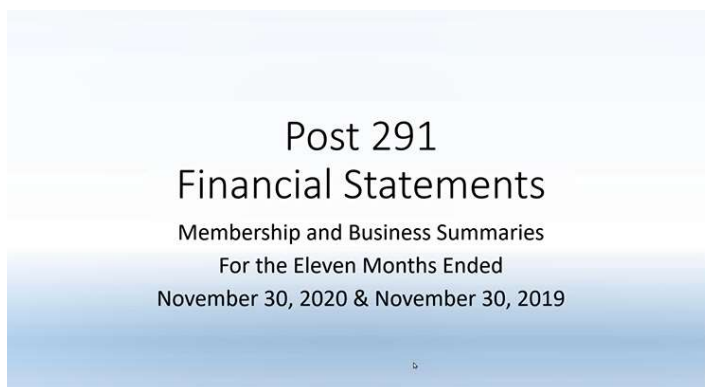
2nd Vice Commander Anthony Morales – is in-charge of fund raising and entertainment for the Post. – No report

3rd Vice Commander Jim Udiuke – No report

Jr. Past Commander Doug Nye – No report.

Comment: Delivered check to Riverside Post

Finance Officer Bob Wine – is in-charge of Post Financial Operations.



Officer Reports – continued

Finance Officer Bob Wine – continued

Combined Business & Membership Revenue & Expenditures			
	Current Year @ November 30th	Prior Year @ November 30th	Change
Business:			
Net of Revenue & Expenditures	(\$446,250)	(\$71,420)	(\$374,830)
Membership:			
Net of Revenue & Expenditures	53,336	(163,804)	\$217,140
Total Before Facility Fees	(392,914)	(235,224)	(\$157,690)
Facility Fees	315,973	349,220	(\$33,247)
Net of Revenue & Expenditures	(\$76,941)	\$113,996	(\$190,937)

Newport Harbor Post 291 Condensed Cash Flow Projection for the Period 12/08/20 to 2/28/21			
	12/08-12/31	01/01-01/31	02/01-02/28
Cash Inflows-			
Membership fees	55,000.00	22,000.00	11,000.00
Marina rents	21,290.00	26,000.00	26,000.00
Curbside/Restaurant sales	24,000.00	62,000.00	56,000.00
Facility fees	45,000.00	57,135.00	-
Total Cash Inflows	145,290.00	167,135.00	93,000.00
Cash Outflows-			
Food & bev. Cost (@ 50%)	12,000.00	31,000.00	28,000.00
Payroll (Includes P/R taxes & WC)	43,000.00	115,000.00	86,000.00
Insurance (Health, liab., Marina, D&O)	1,719.00	7,144.00	7,144.00
Covid-19 Cleaning	338.00	5,500.00	5,500.00
Repairs and maintenance	10,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Telephone & utilities	1,000.00	3,100.00	3,100.00
Rent	-	11,500.00	11,500.00
All other expenses	2,638.00	6,689.00	6,554.00
Capital Expenditures	5,125.00	24,500.00	
Total Cash Outflows	75,820.00	205,433.00	148,798.00
Monthly Cash Increase (Decrease)	69,470.00	(38,298.00)	(55,798.00)

- Donation program (Planned Giving)
 - Donation of appreciated securities to be received
 - Procedure for this type of donation being established

Historian Rich Frauenzimmer – No report

Sergeant at Arms Bob Grundmeyer – Excused - No report

Chaplin Ken Wilson –

- New member call program continuing
- Condolence cards sent

Officer Reports – continued

Service Officer Cory Vigil –

- VEA account balance = \$93,235
- Last month's expenditures = \$11,000+
 - Mostly rental assistance
 - Three homeless now have lodging
 - 43 veterans contacted Cory for assistance last month

Judge Advocate Burt McChesney – Nothing to report.

Members at Large

- Wayne Zippi expressed concerns about the possibility of Post members moving to other organizations

Unfinished Business

No unfinished business.

New Members

Post 291 New Members			
December 2020			
First	Last	War Era	Service
Gerard P.	Berens	Vietnam	Air Force
Charles	DiBlosi	Korea	Marines
James E.	Hahn	Vietnam	Navy
Charles D.	Johnson	Vietnam	Air Force
Matthew J.	Kuriluk	Vietnam	Army
Kerry	O'Halloran	Vietnam	Navy
Michael	Radigan	Persian Gulf	Marines
Steve A.	Rotondo	1977-81	Air Force
Sung	Yi	Persian Gulf	Navy

- A motion to approve the above member applicants.
 - **M/S/C** the motion to approve the above member applicants carried.
- The Commander welcomed the new members

New Business

- No new business

Good of the Legion

- Comments about upcoming election
- Cory Vigil and Bob Wine were complemented about their service on the board

Chaplin Ken Wilson said the closing prayer.

The Meeting was adjourned at approximately 1930 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Berdine

Adjutant

Newport Harbor Post 291 of the American Legion