AMERICAN LEGION NEWPORT HARBOR POST 291
EXECUTIVE BOARD MINUTES
THURSDAY, 04 JUNE, 2026
CALL TO ORDER: Appx. 1830 HRS

INVOCATION: Adjutant, David Zamudio
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commander Brian Fleming Jr.
OPENING PRAYER: Chaplain Brad McDermott

ROLL CALL:

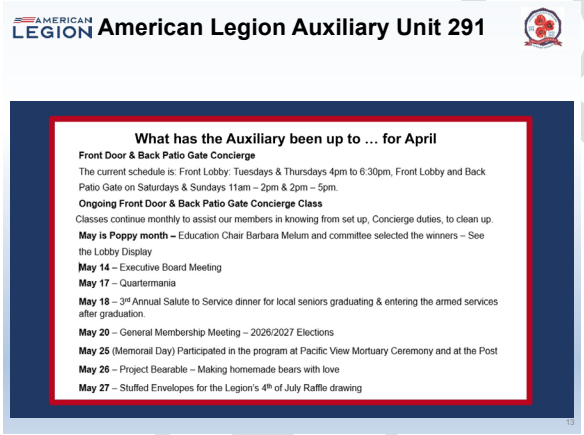
- ☒ Brian Fleming Jr., Commander
- ☒ Genevieve Dominguez, 1st Vice
- ☒ Ray Ricard, 2nd Vice
- ☒ David Heinle, 3rd Vice
- ☐ VACATED, Jr. Past Comm
- ☒ David Zamudio, Adjutant
- ☒ Cindy Baker, Judge Advocate
- ☒ Bob Wine, Finance Officer
- ☒ Mike Mailman, Sgt-at-Arms
- ☒ Cory Vigil, Service Officer
- ☒ Brad McDermott, Chaplain
- ☐ Johnny Arganda, Historian
- ☒ Jon Reynolds, M.a.L.
- ☐ Walter Roberts, M.a.L.
- ☒ Mike Berdine, M.a.L.
- ☒ Lawrence Brown, M.a.L.
- ☒ Nick Giordano, M.a.L.
- ☒ David Zamudio, M.a.L.

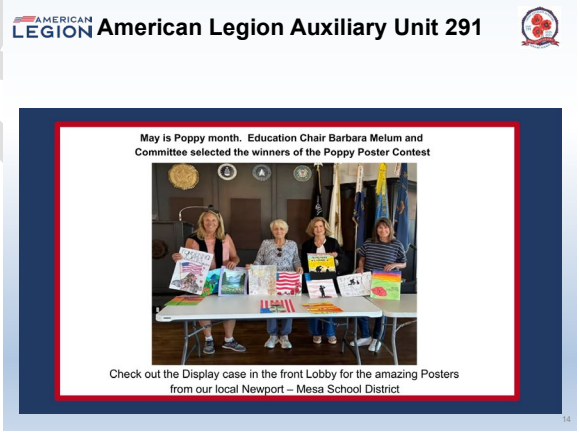
Excused: J Arganda, W Roberts
Unexcused:
Quorum is held.

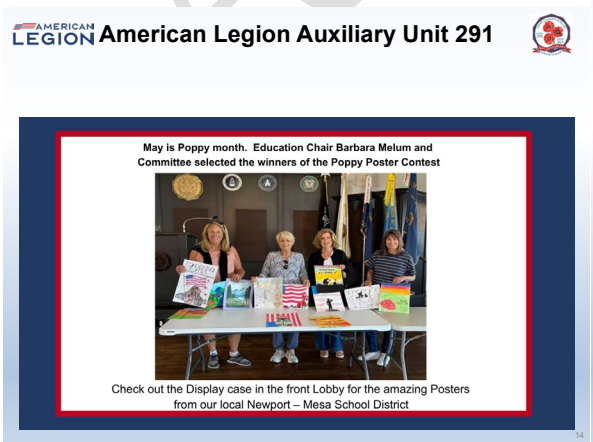
INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS & GUEST COMMENTS:
Bobbi Bush (Legionnaire) – Update on Events and Post 291 Fundraising.
Anthony Garcia (Legionnaire)
Stantley Behrens (Legionnaire)

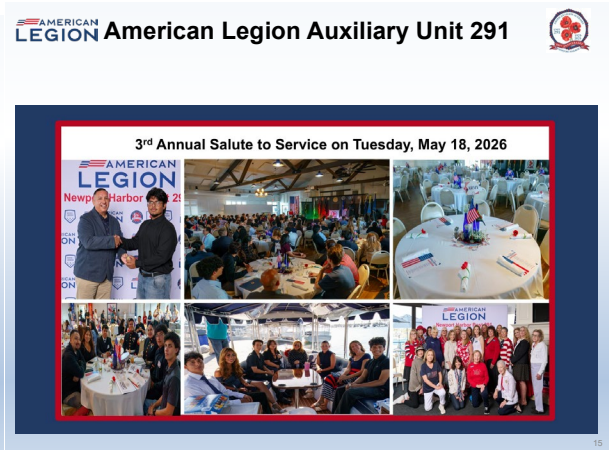
Affiliates and Programs Reports:

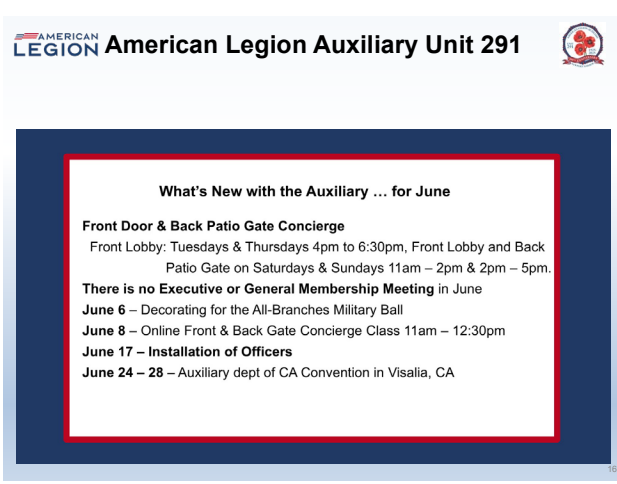
- ❒ Auxiliary Unit 291 – Cynthia Neal, President

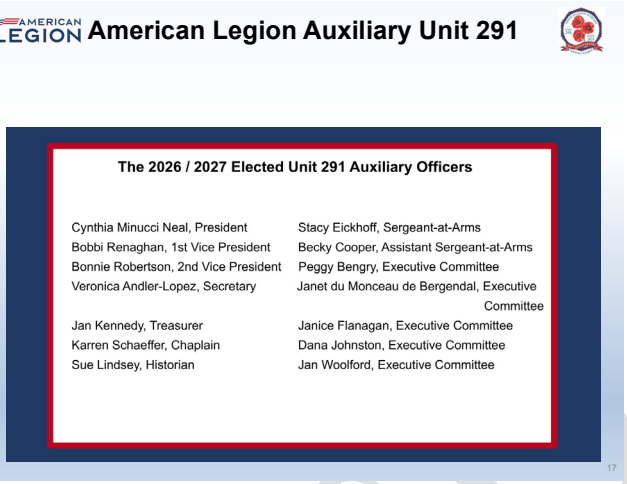












- ❒ SAL Squadron 291 – Tim Sullivan, Commander
  - 100% Renewal of 2026 Membership
  - Chase Account : Jan. Balance: $209,586.83
    - YTD Credits: $126,833.92
    - YTD Expenses: $205,001.90
    - Ending Balance: $119,173.95

- ❒ ALYC –Walt White (Rear Commodore)



  - Starting Balance: $460,000.00
    - Revenue YTD: $98,026.00
    - Expenses YTD: $125,723.00
    - NET YTD: ($27,697.00)

- ○ Honor Guard – Commander, L.B. Brown



APPROVED

Minutes Approval

- ❒ Executive Committee Minutes
  - I move that we approve the May 2, 2026 minutes as presented
    - Motion made by Mike Berdine
    - Seconded: Mike Mailman
    - Discussion: None
    - M/S/D/MC Motion Carries- Unanimously

Correspondence

- ❒ Adjutant David Zamudio
  - NONE

Committee Reports

- ❒ House Committee- Mike Berdine (Chair)





- ❒ Finance Committee- Bob Wine (Chair)
  - Met June 3rd.
    - Reviewed March Financial Statement
    - Bar / Banquet Sales are improving

Donations Committee – Cory Vigil

- No Report

Veterans Coffee Talk Committee – Cory Vigil

- No Report

OFFICERS' REPORTS

COMMANDER- Brian Fleming Jr.

- No Report

ADJUTANT – David Zamudio

- No Report

1ST VICE COMMANDER – Genevieve Dominguez



APPROVED

2ND VICE COMMANDER – Ray Ricard

- No Report

3RD VICE COMMANDER – David Heinle .

- No Report

JR. PAST COMMANDER – POSITION VACATED

- No Report

FINANCE OFFICER –Bob Wine

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
YEAR TO DATE 2026
THRU 04/30/2026

	2026 4/30/2026 YTD	2025 4/30/2025 YTD	$ CHG	% CHG	2026 ANNUAL BUDGET	% OF ANNUAL BUDGET
MEMBERSHIP						
INCOME	186,557	204,722	-18,165	-8.9%	1,012,200	18%
OTHER INCOME	2,335	1,968	367	18.6%	10,600	22%
TOTAL INCOME	188,892	206,690	(17,798)	-8.6%	1,022,800	18%
EXPENSES	248,473	259,748	-11,275	-4.3%	1,118,797	22%
NET INCOME	-59,582	-53,059	-6,523	12.3%	-95,997	62%
OPERATING						
INCOME						
BAR SALES	204,084	204,354	-269	-0.1%	753,052	27%
BANQUET SALES	164,785	146,259	18,526	12.7%	693,477	24%
RESTAURANT SALES	597,927	487,520	110,407	22.6%	1,930,953	31%
TOTAL FOODSERVICE	966,796	838,133	128,663	15.4%	3,377,482	29%
OTHER INCOME	174,979	159,290	15,689	9.8%	586,900	30%
GROSS INCOME	1,141,775	997,423	144,352	14.5%	3,964,382	29%
COGS	849,972	777,454	72,518	9.3%	2,912,566	29%
GROSS PROFIT	291,803	219,969	71,834	32.7%	1,051,816	28%
OTHER EXPENSES	400,120	377,645	22,475	6.0%	1,253,010	32%
TOTAL EXPENSE	1,250,092	1,155,099	94,993	8.2%	4,165,576	30%
NET ORDINARY INCOME	-108,317	-157,676	49,359	-31.3%	-201,194	54%
OTHER INCOME	10,431	25,545	-15,114	-59.2%	75,000	14%
FACILITY FEE	187,725	149,130	38,595	25.9%	560,000	34%
OTHER EXPENSE			0	0.0%		
NET INCOME	89,839	16,999	72,840	428.5%	433,806	21%

SUMMARY	2026 NET INCOME	2026 BANK CASH	2025 NET INCOME	2025 BANK CASH	CASH CHG
MEMBERSHIP	-59,582	248,559	-53,059	260,062	-11,503
OPERATING	89,839	170,242	16,999	161,178	9,064
RESERVE ACCT		1,444,888		1,179,693	265,196
TOTAL AL 291	30,258	1,863,690	-36,060	1,600,932	262,757

HISTORIAN – Johnny Arganda

- No Report (Excused Absence)

SERGEANT AT ARMS – Mike Mailman

- No Report

CHAPLAIN – Brad McDermott

- No Report (Excused Absence)

OFFICERS' REPORTS – continued

SERVICE OFFICER – Cory Vigil

Service Officer- Donations Committee

AL291 E-Committee
Minutes
Thursday, June 4th, 2026

Purpose Statement: The Service Officer will approve grants and financial aid to veterans & military families.
Donation Committee: Cory Vigil, Ray Ricard and Brad McDermott.

Veterans Served in May 2026: VEAF

1. Requested rental assistance for $1,000.00.
2. Requested 30-day bus pass for $22.25, $93.72 and $177.79 for work clothing/boots.
3. Requested kitchen items for $214.40.
4. Requested rental assistance for $500.00.
5. Requested auto payment of $444.66.
6. Requested Lyft and housing supplies for $86.93 and $113.98 at the 1-day hotel - $110
7. Requested emergency transportation to hospital for $187.90.
8. Emergency storage requested for $269.00

$3220.63

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Service Officer- Donations Committee (cont.)

Service Officer Account-

1. Orange County Veteran Chamber of Commerce - $1,200.00
2. Foundation for Women Warriors - $1,000.00 - 6510
3. Child Guidance Center – SFSC luncheon $502.55
4. Veteran Strong USA - $1,350.00
5. Flags of Honor - $1,000.00 – 6510
6. Women's Luncheon American Legion Newport $509.00 – 6510
7. Gas, Grocery and Target Cards for $1,003.59.
8. Veterans Coffee Talk $325.81
9. AL Baseball Fundraiser - $300.00
10. Gas, Grocery and Target Cards for $1,002.29

$8,193.24

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Service Officer Report

Monthly Update for Service Officer			for the June 4, 2026 E-Board		
6510 Donations	2025 Actuals	2026 Budget	2026 Actual thru May 31	% of 2026 Budget thru May 31	
6519 Honor Guard	2,853.25	2,500.00	-	0%	
6521 Unrestricted Service Officer Expense	40,828.25	40,000.00	26,293.11	98%	
6523- SO Discretionary	9,726.69	7,500.00	2,095.84	28%	
6522 Restricted VEAF expense	69,160.70	100,000.00	39,031.12	26%	
6515 Oratorical	-	-		0%	
6510 Donations other	13,900.00	25,000.00	6,162.61	25%	
Total 6510 expenses	136,468.89	175,000.00	73,582.68	42%	
4520 VEAF current balance			**143,979.43**		
May Donations Out			6140.95		
May VEAF Donations Out			4573.63	includes distributed gas/grocery cards	

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JUDGE ADVOCATE- Cindy Baker

Judge Advocate- Cindy Baker

- **Comply with past motions that required all Board Members to take online Harassment Free Prevention Training Course.**
  - **It would be a good idea for the SAL's Board to also take this course.**

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Judge Advocate- Cindy Baker

- **Write up Executive Committee guidelines:**
  - **How to introduce self**
  - **Wearing your name tag when at Post**
  - **When at the Post you are responsible to address members or guest breaking Post rules, policies and Bylaws.**
  - **How to deal with drunk or angry member or guest on Post property.**
  - **Examples to call 911.**
  - **Security at Post events over 150 or 200 people (RUCK March, etc.)**
  - **Mentor for each new officer.**

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OFFICERS' REPORTS – continued

MEMBERS AT LARGE

- Jon Reynolds- No Report
- Walter Roberts- No Report (Excused Absence)
- Mike Berdine- No Report
- Lawrence Brown- No Report
- Nick Giordano- No Report
- David Zamudio- No Report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- No Unfinished Business

NEW BUSINESS



- **MOTION:** I move we approve the AYLC Reciprocal Policy as presented.
  - Motion made by Mike Berdine
  - Seconded: Mike Mailman
  - Discussion: None
  - M/S/D/MC Motion Carries Unanimously



  - Executive Committee votes to support JR Duarte (CA Dept. Cmdr.), Mike Smith (CA Dept. Sgt at Arms), and Nick Rosa (National Executive Committee – Representing CA).

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New Business
Judge Advocate- Cindy Baker

- **Sealed ballots from May 13, 2026, Elections, held by Adjutant to be destroyed.**

Bylaw 5.6.2.5.(5) - see highlighted portion

(5) If in-person paper ballots are used, each ballot cast for each office must be preserved in such a manner that if the election is questioned, the votes may be verified by a recount.

- After the ballot count is complete, the Election Committee will place all ballots and the signed report into a sealed packet and deliver the sealed packet to the Adjutant.
- This sealed packet shall not be opened except by order of the Executive Committee for the purpose of verifying the vote or destroying the packet.
- Secret ballots shall be retained by the Post Adjutant for a minimum of 30 days following the election.

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- **MOTION:** I move that in accordance with Bylaw § 5.6.2.5 (5), we instruct the Adjutant to destroy the ballot on May 13, 2026
  - Motion made by Cindy Baker
  - Seconded: Mike Berdine
  - Discussion: None
  - M/S/D/MC Motion Carries- Unanimously

- **MOTION:** I move that we allow the incoming Third Vice Commander, Anthony Garcia, to sit in the upcoming Closed Session
  - Motion made by Mike Mailman
  - Seconded: Nick Giordano
  - Discussion: None
  - M/S/D/MC Motion Carries- Unanimously

CLOSED SESSION – start 1941hrs.

- Adjutant reads Incident Report against Legionnaire to Executive Committee.
  - Motion made and passed by Executive Committee to send the Incident Report to the Judicial Committee.

OUT OF CLOSED SESSION – 1951 hrs.

GOOD OF THE LEGION

- Service Officer, Cory Vigil – Veteran's Coffee Talk

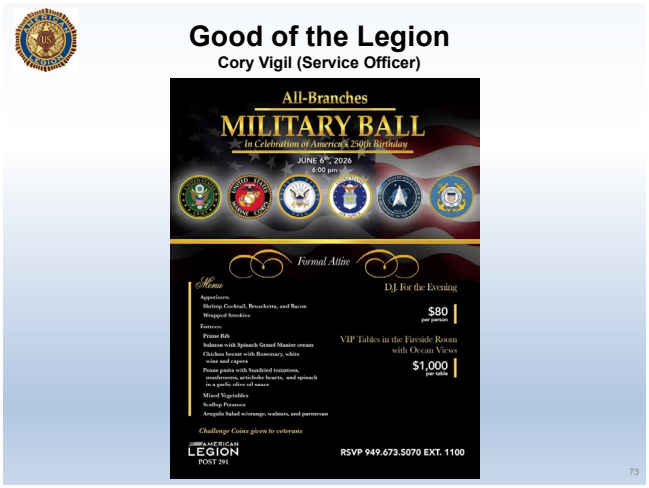
Good of the Legion
Cory Vigil (Service Officer)



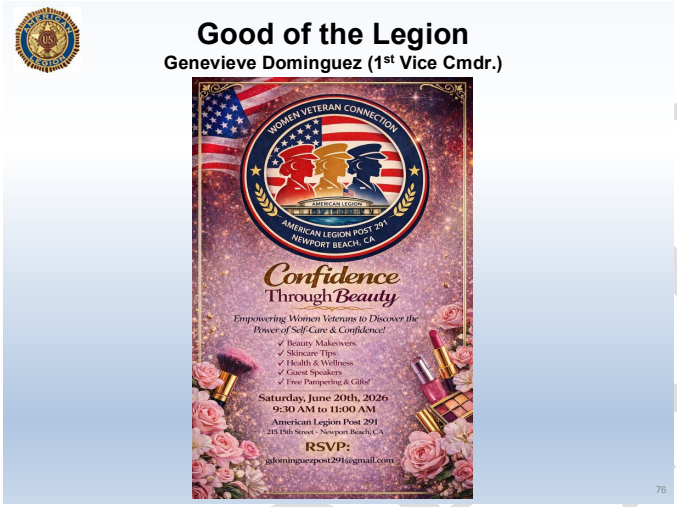
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- Service Officer, Cory Vigil- All Branches Ball.



- 1st Vice Cmdr.- Genevieve Dominguez



  - Ray Ricard- Speaks about the need to find a place the destroy the flags placed in the Flag Box by the front door.
  - Cindy Baker
    - Gives praises and recognition to Nick Giordano, as this is last meeting as a Member at Large, for all his dedication and time to help Post 291.

CLOSING PRAYER- Chaplain Brad McDermott

ADJOURNED:2007 hrs.

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