

# The American Legion Riders Department of California



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## DEC Minutes

March 28, 2017

Called to Order - President Mick Sobczak 1900 hrs

Invocation – Chaplain Gerald Stockert

Pause for MIA - President Mick Sobczak

Pledge of Allegiance - Sgt. At Arms Steve Storey

ALR Preamble - President Mick Sobczak

Roll Call - Secretary Monique Clemons

Additions to the Agenda – none

Approval of Minutes – January 2017 DEC Minutes

Financial Report – Anthony Serio

Finance report was sent out electronically. In our Checking account currently, we have \$ 51,553.10 available balance we have checks that are still pending deposit.

Warren Halstead Motioned to accept the Finance report pending audit

Rey Ruiz seconded Motion

Motion Passed

Finance Committee Call/ Budget Report

The direct control of the checking account will be moving to the State. We also are proposing raising the per capita fee to \$8.00.

Presidents Report – Mick Sobczak

I attended the DEC meeting on March 11<sup>th</sup>. I reported on our membership numbers and also made an apology to one of the Districts.

Vice President Report - Randy Brenneman

I have been working on a operation manual and I hope to have it done soon. Mick and I rode up to Hollister to check out the location for convention the only problem we are still working on the parking. This year we are going to allow the delegates to vote on the location for the next convention.

### **Secretary Report** – Monique Clemons

Reports were sent out to Area VPs items are still coming in every day. I have noticed mistakes on some of the delegate certification forms so I will contact those Chapters directly for corrected forms. I am continuing to work on getting the missing items from Chapters. Debbie is contacting members of the credentials committee to see if they will be at convention have had some responses.

### **Sgt. At Arms Report** – Steve Storey

No Report

### **Area Reports**

Area 1 VP- David George

Working on the convention checklist to bring all chapters compliant.

Area 2 VP- Warren Halstead

Working on getting paperwork in and in my area we also are working on operation surf.

Terry B son and family lost their house to a fire.

Area 3 VP – Ed Chacon

I have been working to get the missing paperwork from the chapters.

Area 4 VP – Joel Lopez

We have two new members and trying to get everyone to get the patches in order.

Area 5 VP – Rey Ruiz

We had a Legend of the silver Rose event and a Suicide prevention event that both went well. I have 15 chapters that are missing some items but I have 3 that have not turned in anything.

Area 6 VP – Don Marriott

We have the Romp in June 1-3 in SLO. We will have a training meeting on Sunday before everyone leaves about events that you include other riders. We had an Area 6 meet and greet in Lancaster and it was well attended. I emailed the chapters to get the missing items

## **1. Committee Reports**

Quartermaster – Patrick Tafoya

No Report

Convention and Rally – Dee Pittinger

No Report- The president of Chapter 69 reported that everything is on track for the convention.

Judge Advocate Report – John Bart

No report

Service Officer – George Smith

Several scams are going on right now. One is the IRS scam they all to say you owe taxes. The other is one that they are calling to ask if you are a veteran and then telling you for a cost they can help you get your benefits the last is one that they try to get you to say yes on the phone so they can record it.

Safety Committee – Ken White

Finalizing the safety manual for convention

Webmaster – Jim Oxley

Will set up a computer to help people with thee website at convention

Membership Committee – Gary Teicher

No report

Historian – Jeff Gallagher

No report

Jr. Past President – James Adames

No report

Dept. Commissioner – Vince Cole

No Report

2. **Old Business**

none

3. **New Business**

none

4. **Sick / Memorial** – Chaplain Gerald Stockert

Dan Nubar is ill and James Kline moved to Chapter Everlasting. Rick Wolf and Jeff and Diane Turner are also ill.

5. **Good of the Riders**

Rey Ruiz- Raffle tickets for the state raffle. An email went out and if it was not received please let him know so he can resend it. Money can be turned in at convention along with tickets.

6. **Next Meeting Date** – 21 April 2017 at 1700 (ALR Convention)

7. **Benediction** - Chaplain Gerald Stockert

8. **Adjournment** – President Mick Sobczak 2029 hrs