



Tri-Counties Chapter Meeting

Location: The Harbor Restaurant
 Date: Monday January 28, 2019
 Time: 1830-2030

Agenda

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</u>	<u>TIME</u>
I. Call to Order	Mary-Linda Arroyo	1 min
Meeting called to order at 1839		
II. Approval of Minutes	Mary-Linda Arroyo	1 min
<i>Motion to approve the minutes from the September 2018 chapter meeting was made by Roger Garcia and seconded by Tony Sanders. With no further discussion, the motion passes by unanimous vote of all members present.</i>		
*No chapter meeting held in November at conference; only a Region III mtg.		
III. Treasurer's Report	Roger Garcia	5 min
Fund balance is \$6500.43; including 4 th quarter reimbursement of \$2053.67		
Recent Expenses:		
Chapter meeting, September 2018 – \$295.17		
GBPOA golf tournament (Sept 2018) – \$250		
CNOA golf tournament (Sept 2018) – \$250		
VCPPOA golf tournament (Sept 2018) – \$250		
Conference flight (refunded by President Arroyo)		

Motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Javier Antunez and seconded by Tony Sanders. With no further discussion, the motion passes by unanimous vote of all members present.

IV. PORAC Officer's Report Tony Sanders 5 min

From PORAC Jan 13th Executive Director's Meeting

President's Report

PORAC has given \$7,500, and LDF has given \$7,500, for an Amicus Brief. The focus of the brief will be to address the retro activity component of AB1421, pertaining to Pitches and Brady issues. David Mastagni Jr. and Alison Berry-Wilkinson will handle the brief. There will be no liability at this time other than the filing of the writ. Furthermore, a petition will be filed with the Supreme Court to minimize court fees.

The Governor's new budget provides an additional \$14.9 million to POST. The additional funding will come from the General fund as well as from penalties/fees.

POARC has applied to POST for a \$200,000 grant to create a two-day Wellness training program.

PORAC is looking to change the branding of its training by changing the name from PORAC Training to PORAC I (institute), PORAC U (university), or PORAC Academy.

Prior to leaving office, Brian met with Governor Brown who appointed Alan Barcelona to POST Commission, and LaWanda Hawkins to RIPA Board.

PROP 63: The buying of ammo. Law enforcement is not exempt from DOJ background checks.

Legislative Report

Use of force bill: The Bill will update the language within PC 196/Homicide to those contained in Graham vs. Conner.

PORAC is set to meet with Skinner on January 15, 2019, to do a roll back of 1421. The initial thought was to go back 5 years.

AB 33 (Bonta): State Public Retirement System Divestiture from private prison Companies: PORAC opposes this bill. Private prisons are profitable and retirement system should continue to invest in moneymaking ventures.

AB 54 (Ting): Release Body Cameras footage. The bill is backed by ACLU. PORAC Oppose.

SB 10: Implementation of bail reform has been placed on hold pending a 2020 referendum.

V. President's Report **Mary-Linda Arroyo** **5 min**

Contacted by PORAC magazine for pictures from the chapter, as well as information about our issues for a feature in the magazine. The chapter stressed the importance of participation of the individual associations as well as its members in all association and PORAC activities.

VI. Committees

A. Insurance and Benefits **Roger Garcia** **5 min**

The January I&B meeting was cancelled and rescheduled for February 5th.

B. Legal Defense Fund **Chris Coulter** **5 min**

LDF is active in:
47 States and 4 U.S. Territories
129,048 members
1298 Associations
\$29,689,553 in assets

New rates will be published in April

CBP border shooting
Officer acquitted on homicide charges
US Attorney refiled Manslaughter charges on same incident

1st Annual, National PORAC LDF Conference will be held July 22-23, 2019, at the Aria Hotel in Las Vegas. Flyer with additional details will be forthcoming.

C. Political Action **5 min**

No report

VII. Directors' Reports

A. Tri-County Director **Javier Antunez** **5 min**

PORAC Organizational Leadership Class scheduled for NEXT Tuesday (February 5th).

This will be a one-day session covering PORAC's expansive structure and resources imperative to your role as a leader within PORAC. The goal is to provide you with the effective tools to better inform the membership on the benefits and value PORAC provides.

Class will be held at PORAC Headquarters from 0900-1630

43rd Annual California Peace Officers' Memorial Ceremony will be held May 5-6, 2019. The annual POREF (PORAC Scholarship) selections, full PORAC Board meeting, and Legislative visit will also be held that week.

Applications are now being accepted for the POREF/PORAC Scholarships. All applications must be mailed or delivered to the PORAC Office. Applications that are emailed or faxed will not be accepted. Applications received after the deadline will not be accepted, including those that are postmarked. The Application deadline is 5:00pm on Friday, March 1, 2019. If you have questions, please email; scholarships@porac.org

****Please remind applicants to follow all instructions on the form****

California's 2019-20 State Budget

COMMISSION ON PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING

In 2014-15, funding for the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) began decreasing significantly, driven by a decline in criminal fine and fee revenues which were the primary funding source for POST. In response, POST was forced to scale back support for local law enforcement training, including reduced or eliminated reimbursement payments.

The Governor's Budget includes \$14.9 million General Fund money, to restore POST to its historical budget. This funding will allow POST to restore many of the program cuts it was forced to make in recent years. It will also be used to implement new, and update existing, training curriculum so that courses reflect current best practices in numerous areas. In addition, the Budget includes \$20 million General Fund to make permanent a one-time augmentation included in the 2018 Budget Act for training on use of force and de-escalation and engaging with individuals experiencing a mental health crisis.

B. Executive Board Director Tony Sanders 5 min

*See PORAC Officer's Report

VIII. Vice Presidents' Reports

A. San Luis Obispo County Sonny Lopez 5 min

Sonny recently stepped down as GBPOA President.

SLO is continuing to battle with the same recruitment and retention issues as all area agencies. High cost of living makes this increasingly difficult.

Pismo Beach POA is still a member of FOP. See new business for donation request for GBPOA member, Sgt. Bleavins.

B. Santa Barbara County Neil Gowing 5 min

No news from local POA's.

DSA working on a TRO to 1421 legislation, along with RLS.

Introduced DSA Director, Robbie Kirsch.

C. Ventura County

Scott Peterson

5 min

Thanked the chapter members for their support in the aftermath of the Borderline shooting, as well as of the Helus family.

4 OIS in VC since October 2018.

Filing a TRO against 1421 on January 23, with a hearing on February 11.

IX. Unfinished Business

Mary-Linda Arroyo 5 min

None

X. New Business

Sonny Lopez (GBPOA)

Request for PORAC donation for fallen officer from Pismo Beach PD.

<https://www.gofundme.com/sgt-blevins-family-relief-fund>

Motion to donate \$250 to the Bleavins family was made by Sonny Lopez, and seconded by Roger Garcia. With no further discussion, the motion passes by unanimous vote of all members present.

XI. Good of the Chapter Round Table/Member Comments

Rob Wexler (RLS)

- RLS sponsored Labor Symposium begins February 1, 2019.
- Retroactivity hearing on 1421 declined by CA Supreme Court.
- TRO's against 1421 have been filed, and granted, in multiple jurisdictions, with more pending. These injunctions can prohibit or limit agency responses to PRA's.
- LA Times files blanket PRA at midnight on January 1st, 2019, due to 1421.
- This issue is still an uphill battle.
- Pomona POA member, Jensen, acquitted on UOF charges stemming from fairgrounds incident.

Ken Yuwiler (RLS)

Caution your members when out on Worker's Comp leave. Orange County recently fired an employee for dishonesty after employee was videotaped engaged in activities they should not have been able to perform.

Tim Wedemeyer (SVPOA)

So far there have been 27 "applicants" for vacant city council seat.

Association recently ratified a 2yc contract with no raises.

Sonny Lopez (GBPOA)

Still waiting on the "K9 Mauling" case

Eric Swartz (Meyers Stevens)

- Association boards change often, and incoming directors may not understand all benefits. Available to attend meetings, etc, in order to educate directors and members as needed.
- New long-term care products are being offered; mostly geared towards RAM members.
- LTC (long term care) benefit early rates are available.

Mike Gregson (OPOA)

TA with city may be ratified soon. The new MOU will only include medical contribution increases.

Susan Gilford (AFLAC)

Reminded members of the benefits of AFLAC's services. Reach out if you need her to attend a meeting. (805-433-3906)

Bill Griffin (VPOA)

Vice President of Ventura POA.

2 of 3 recent city council endorsees won their seats.

Now hiring!

Kasey Sirody (VCDSA)

Stressed the benefits of the LTC care mentioned by Eric Swartz.

Howard Lieberman (Mastagni)

- Introduced Vanessa Munoz; a criminal attorney new to the Mastagni office.
- Mastagni writing an amicus brief on the 1421 challenges.
- With respect to TRO's on 1421, be mindful of the potential attorney fees you may have to pay for other side!
- ACLU is pushing 1421 to reach as far back as January 1, 1999

Motion to pay for Mary-Linda to attend the PORAC Symposium was made by Roger Garcia, and seconded by Scott Peterson. With no further discussion, the motion passes by unanimous vote of all members present.

~ Adjournment ~

Next meeting: Monday March 18, 2019 at the Harbor Restaurant in Santa Barbara at 1830 hrs.



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