



Tri-Counties Chapter Meeting

Location: The Harbor Restaurant

Date: Monday July 15, 2013

Time: 1830-2030

Agenda

| <u>ITEM</u> | <u>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</u> | <u>TIME</u> |
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| I. Call to Order 1835hrs: Began meeting with presentation of PORAC Scholarships to the recipients of the Tri-Counties Chapter area. | Mike McGrew | 1 min |
| II. Approval of Minutes <i>Motion to approve the minutes from last meeting, May 2013, made by Chris Corbett; seconded by Jaycee Hunter. With no further discussion, the motion passes by unanimous vote of all members present.</i> | Mike McGrew | 1 min |
| III. Treasurer's Report General account: \$9,640.66 as of June 30. PAC: \$22,823.65 PIC: \$3,559.40 | Roger Garcia | 5 min |
| IV. PORAC Officer's Report Last month's meeting took place before end of session. LTD Continues to grow. | Mike Durant | 5 min |

AB25 – Social Media & Background checks of new members:

PORAC currently supports as written, however, some changes are in the works that may be detrimental to the membership. If these changes are applied, PORAC will actively oppose.

Mike thanked the chapter personally for the endorsements that were made at the last chapter meeting. So far, all three statewide positions (President, Vice-President, and Treasurer) are running unopposed.

CalPERS meeting reported 12.5% return on its investments recently.

We continue to get beat up due to our pensions. New player, Tom Arnold (not the actor), working on introducing legislation to amend pension rates that would be applied retroactively.

Next Annual Conference will be at L.A. Live. In November.

V. President's Report

Mike McGrew

5 min

Next meeting scheduled for Sept. 16th, but McGrew will be on VAC. With no objections, meeting date changed to following Monday 22nd.

VI. Committees

A. Insurance and Benefits

Bill Daniels

5 min

Resolution to CLEA lawsuit eminent. SEE (08:00)

Upcoming rate increases substantially due to "Obamacare".

Eric Swartz- "cease and desist letter" (09:30)

Reiterated CLEA's lack of assets to pay for planned benefits.

B. Legal Defense Fund

Peter Hoh

5 min

TASER – Do NOT taze bugs, squirrels, etc...

It appears that use of force trends are shifting with regards to case law. Be careful to avoid "trigger happy" taser bursts; attempt to give suspects an "opportunity to comply" before deploying multiple bursts.

99,146 Members

1014 Associations

\$8,215,019 Assets

Ed Fishman

SB313 – Another Brady bill sponsored by PORAC

The purpose of this bill is to prevent a department and/or District Attorney's Office from taking a "second bite at the apple" against an officer. Specifically, after failed terminations for dishonesty, followed by addition of officer to Brady list, this bill would prohibit agencies from taking subsequent punitive actions towards the officer SOLELY for being on the list. Bill is important because many Civil Service Commissions do not know how to handle Brady Issues. This Bill was a collaborative effort of a majority of LDF firms working together for the greater good.

Mike Durant

One of the major responsibilities of a PORAC V.P. is member recruitment and retention. Mike has worked with Ed Fishman for 6+ years. As our LDF administrator, throughout his tenure, Ed and his team has put in tremendous work and dedication on our behalf. Thank you Ed.

C. Retiree Medical Trust **5 min**
No report

D. Political Action **5 min**
Chris Corbett
Please let the Chapter leadership know of any local races you would like for the chapter to help support. We have a healthy PAC fund at this time.

VII. Directors' Reports

A. Tri-County Director **Chris Corbett** **5 min**
The following 9 associations are currently delinquent on their PORAC dues: Arroyo Grande POA, Cuesta College POA, Rancho Simi Park Ranger's Assn, San Luis Harbor Patrol Assn, SLO DSA, SLO PMA, Santa Maria PMA, Ventura County Special POA.

B. Executive Board Director **Randy Watkins** **5 min**
No report

VIII. Vice Presidents' Reports

A. San Luis Obispo County **Steven Hendrickson** **5 min**
No member present.

B. Santa Barbara County **Chris Corbett** **5 min**
Contested Sheriff's race coming up with 3 potential candidates.

C. Ventura County **Ryan Bates** **5 min**
No report

IX. Unfinished Business **Mike McGrew** **5 min**
No Report

X. New Business

A. Scholarship Recipients

1. Molly Donovan (PORAC member Jay Donovan ASLODS)
Graduate Paso Robles H.S.
Will be attending Sonoma State, majoring in Business.
Will play basketball for the school as well.
2. Olivia Hoelker (PORAC member John Hoelker VCDSA)
Graduate Moorpark H.S.
Will be attending Mid-Continent College (Kentucky), majoring in Business Administration.

3. Summer Knapp (PORAC member Paul Knapp OPOA)
Graduate from Oak Park H.S.
4. Jaqueline Martinez (PORAC member Sergio Martinez SBCDSA)
Attending SDSU

XI. Good of the Chapter Round Table/Member Comments

Tom Radzynski (SMPOA)

SB388 – Act to amend POBR (Govt Code sections 3253 & 3303)

LAPPL sponsored legislation

Gives right to representation to witness(es) in administrative investigations.

*Currently LDF only covers members if there is a reasonable risk of receiving discipline.

*PORAC LDF does not necessarily support the automatic application of all POBAR rights to representation for mere witnesses as it would cause rates to skyrocket.

Eric Beecher (SBPOA)

Santa Barbara POA currently involved in contract negotiations with the city

Chris Coulter (SVPOA)

Simi POA entering into contract negotiations soon. Negotiations will likely be limited in scope, on the part of the association, due to upcoming medical rate increases.

Don Douglas (VCPPOA)

Association also currently involved in contract negotiations with the county; 4 months in, and the negotiations are not going well. Association currently involved in a public awareness campaign to promote the probation profession.

Approximately 5000 probation officers statewide are members of PORAC.

AB992 – Juvenile sex offenders

SB1040 – P.O. Arming Bill

SB199 – Adding line-staff personnel (Deputy Sheriff and/or P.O.) to community correctional partnership committee.

Peter Horton (Lackie, Dammeier, McGill & Ethir)

Echoed Ed's comments as to the PORAC introduced Brady Bill (SB 313).

This Bill, if passed, will be a HUGE benefit to officers, particularly because integrity/dishonesty issues are particularly difficult to prove and/or disprove.

Roger Garcia (OPOA)

Special Election last June for city council race. OPOA's endorsee did not win.

Gary Wyatt (AFLAC)

Please encourage your members to enroll in AFLAC now... not prior to an incident/event that results in a need for its services.

Randy Watkins (VCDSA)

2 officer involved shootings in the last month. Both involved AB109 releasees.

This can and should be a huge talking point during negotiations for your respective agencies.

Motion made by Chris Corbett, seconded by Randy Watkins, to take a chapter position endorsing Peter Hoh (for LDF), Joe Flannagan (for region III director), and Alex Solis (Santa Monica) for I&B. With no further discussion, the motion passed by unanimous vote of all members present.

Adjournment ~ Next meeting: Monday Sept 23rd, 2013 - Harbor Restaurant



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