



Tri-Counties Chapter Meeting

Location: The Harbor Restaurant

Date: July 16th, 2012

Time: 1830-2030

Agenda

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</u>	<u>TIME</u>
I. Call to Order	Dave Wareham	1 min
II. Approval of Minutes (MAY 2012)	Dave Wareham	1 min
<i>Motion to approve meeting minutes from May 2012 made by Mike Thompson; With no further discussion, the motion passes by unanimous vote of all members present.</i>		
III. Treasurer's Report	Ryan Bates	5 min
Treasurer Ryan Bates not present. No report at this time.		
IV. PORAC Officer's Report	Mike Durant	5 min
See Region III meeting minutes.		
V. President's Report	Dave Wareham	5 min

President Wareham met with, or was contacted by, numerous candidates for several local and statewide elections. NO specific requests for monetary

contributions have been made as of yet. The following motions were passed as a result of information provided by President Wareham about the meetings.

Motion made by Randy Watkins, seconded by Mike McGrew, to support Julia Brownley for the 26th Congressional Seat. With no further discussion, the motion passes by unanimous of all members present.

Motion made by Mike McGrew, seconded by Matt Findlay, to endorse Hannah Beth Jackson for 19th Senate District seat. With no further discussion, motion passes by unanimous vote of all members present.

Motion made by Mike Durant, seconded by Randy Watkins, to support Abel Maldonado for 24th Congressional Seat. After a brief inquiry as to Maldonado's potential stance on Proposition 32 by one of the members present, the motion passed by unanimous vote of all members present.

VI. Committees

A. Insurance and Benefits Bill Daniels 5 min

4.5% increase for 2013
No increase for retirees.

In an effort to assist members, and not lose/miss out on benefits, the time to file for benefits has increased to 15 months.

LTD membership continues to grow thanks to CLEA defectors, including our very own SMPOA, which has just joined the plan from CLEA recently.

B. Legal Defense Fund Peter Hoh (Not Present) 5 min

94,493 members
974 associations
\$7,868, 625 assets
600+ active cases

Hot Springs Taser Case is ongoing

Fullerton 6 – Officers held to answer. Trial will commence some time in 2013

Legalities of release time for association directors is becoming an issue again

Attorney Mike Swartz is no longer with SHSW&L.

C. Retiree Medical Trust Dave Wareham 5 min

PORAC is currently evaluating Berkley PD's attempt to sell sick time and use that bank to buy into RMT

D. Political Action 5 min

No Report

VII. Directors' Reports

A. Tri-County Director Chris Corbett 5 min
Not present

B. Executive Board Director Randy Watkins 5 min
Don't be TOO fearful of the upcoming initiatives that threaten our associations; rather, we need to be mindful of the need to counter the push against us, and use the information and resources at our disposal to protect our members' interests.

VIII. Vice Presidents' Reports

A. San Luis Obispo County Mike Thompson 5 min
SLODSA did well in the last election. The 2 candidates they supported for BOS won. SLO DSA now has 3 out of 5 board members who should tend to be supportive of the DSA's objectives.
Mandatory OT in the jail is a HUGE issue right now. Hiring has not kept up with the increase in jail population.

B. Santa Barbara County Chris Corbett 5 min
Chris Corbett not present; Javier Antunez (SBSO)
SBCDSA recently approached by the county, yet again, to talk about possible concessions. DSA agreed to meet with county reps, but we are locked in to a contract until February 2015, and have no remaining raises. The ONLY possible concession that could be made at this point without taking any further money out of its members' pockets, would be an agreement by the DSA to continue the 2.4 hour "give-back" that is set to sunset February 2012. Membership support of such a concession would be next to impossible.
The main jail continues to suffer from severe understaffing. 12 Deputy Sheriffs will soon be transferred to custody operations, to augment staffing. This temporary reassignment could last up to 12 months.

Eric Beecher (SBPD)
Issues between SBPOA and the Chief continue. Recently, the POA had to sue the department over motor trouser issue. Chief did not like the way the new "safer" pants looked and wanted to go to the old style trousers. POA is currently working with a citizens group in an effort to move the Chief from under the City Administrator's oversight, to the City Council's. This potential move has not been well received by the Chief. The POA believes this will result in more accountability and transparency on the part of the chief. The City Council has currently been neutral on the issue. So

far the push has been well received by the public. SBPOA will soon ask PORAC for support on the issue.

Tom & Kelly Radzynski (SMPD)

A ¼ cent sales tax increase meant for public safety, although not explicitly marketed that way, recently passed in Santa Maria. Language in the measure, as to the use of funds for hiring more officers, left ambiguous by current chief. SMPOA would like to thank LDF for recent assistance on a discipline issue.

Guadalupe PD recently voted unanimously (approx 10 members) no confidence in its Chief.

C. Ventura County Ryan Bates (not present) 5 min

Simi Valley PD currently hiring

Don Douglas (VCPPOA)

PPOA membership recently voted to max out PAC contributions for the rest of the year. Part of the motivation for the move was preemptive against the recent attacks on association PACs. PPOA supports bill mandating arming of PO's that monitor high risk offenders.

Tim Ferrill (VPOA)

Department is also suffering from staffing issues, necessitating the use of alot of mandatory OT. Will be putting recruits through academy soon, for the first time in several years. Wellness program will be put in place soon that promotes health and wellness, while covering injuries, etc. Time bank for employees established recently.

Larry Johnson (Santa Paula PD)

Negotiations will begin at end of the year. Many takeaways from last contract will hopefully sunset and/or be returned, such as furloughs, tuition reimbursement, etc.

IX. Unfinished Business Dave Wareham 5 min

Nothing

X. New Business

A. PORAC REGION III Scholarship Presentations

Tri-Counties PORAC chapter awarded 4 out of 400 total statewide \$1500 scholarships. Scholarships are awarded based on a combination of numerous factors including community service, class rank, GPA, student essay, and school activities.

The four recent awardees are:

- **Andrew** RIO MESA. Graduated at a rank of #24 out of 500 students. Will be attending CAL POLY SLO next year with a major in Bio Engineering.
- Jessica Cochoran – (James and Lisa Cochoran; VSO) Graduated at a rank of #33 out of 493 students, and a GPA 4.03. Would like to become a Nurse Practitioner & PhD for a VA Hospital.
- **Lauren (David & Catherine; SBPD?)** Graduated #17 out of class.
- Alexis Wilson (David & Jeanine Wilson; VPD) – Buena H.S. GPA 4.53. Hopes to study communication, marketing and public education.

B. Terry – RA SPORT

Works around the state with over 160 associations – Here to help us with our promotional needs. Demonstrated the company’s new Patrol Car USB flash drive to the chapter.

C. Public Safety Financial

Communication Workbook

XI. Good of the Chapter Round Table/Member Comments

Chris Coulter (Simi Valley POA)

Would likew to thank PORAC for assistance that they have given on current transportation bill? The effect of the bill would have taken away funds from many of the local (Ventura County) general funds, had the bill passed.

Adjournment ~ Next Meeting: Sept 17, 2012 – Harbor Restaurant, Santa Barbara



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