



## ***Tri-Counties Chapter Meeting***

Location: The Harbor Restaurant

Date: Tuesday January 17, 2017

Time: 1830-2030

### ***Agenda***

<b><u>ITEM</u></b>	<b><u>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</u></b>	<b><u>TIME</u></b>
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<b>I. Call to Order</b>	<b>Mike McGrew</b>	<b>1 min</b>
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Meeting called to order at 1805

<b>II. Approval of Minutes</b>	<b>Mike McGrew</b>	<b>1 min</b>
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*Motion to approve the minutes from September 2016 and November 2016's meetings was made by Scott Peterson, and seconded by Roger Garcia. With no further discussion, the motion passed by unanimous vote of all members present.*

<b>III. Treasurer's Report</b>	<b>Roger Garcia</b>	<b>5 min</b>
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Current Balance:

\$7642.29 (pending 4th quarter reimbursement)

Only recent expenses were for the PORAC conference, which Roger and Javier were sponsored for by the chapter.

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

<b>IV. PORAC Officer's Report</b>		<b>5 min</b>
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No report

**B. Executive Board Director      Tony Sanders    5 min**

We need to do a better job with succession planning; i.e. cultivating our replacements, that will be leading the associations we are involved with, as well as PORAC. Consequently, President Durant has asked that the local chapters do succession planning and efforts to recruit and get more members involved.

Mike and Brent had a quick telephone conversation recently with our DC lobbyist (Steptoe and Johnson) about possible reforms under a Trump administration. It is believed that Criminal Justice reform and tax reform will be two of the big issues for the incoming administration. Steptoe will continue to monitor developments.

PORAC will have their first of two DC fly-ins March 20-24, 2017.

PORAC motioned \$4K to Cynthia Brown of the "Public Safety Alliance." The PSA is a partnership with the nation's leading public safety associations. The money also gave PORAC a lifetime membership to PSA. Furthermore, PORAC's membership will receive a free year subscription to Police Beat magazine. PORAC is considering sending President Durant to Boston, MA to attend PSA's upcoming yearly event at Harvard and VP Meyer to their West coast event (date to be determined later).

PORAC is looking into getting their classes and seminars POST certified, so our members can receive POST credits.

**Legislative Report:**

Concern over possibility President Trump may cut funding for LE programs.

Pension reforms are still a concern. Reed is still planning to have an initiative placed on the 2018 ballot.

The State Supreme Court has agreed to review the *Marin* Decision on vested rights (i.e. "California Rule") doctrine. If the court, upholds the decision it will overturn the recent *Ventura* Decision.

Prop 66: (Death Penalty Reform & Savings)

The California Supreme Court has blocked implantation of the order.

Sacramento DA Schubert came to our meeting to address the board on this issue. Thus far, \$4.91 million raised for qualification in the general election. \$3.4 million was from law enforcement. \$1.6 million came from private sector. Sac D.A. came asking for donations to help fund the legal challenges. The campaign currently has \$590K in debt. PORAC has yet to decide if we will provide further funding, but will address the issue at the full board meeting in February.

**Bills:**

Automatic Speed Enforcement (ASE) Bill.

This measure amends the California Vehicle Code to authorize the use of automated enforcement systems to enforce excessive speed violations over the posted limit in the city of San Jose and the city and County of San Francisco for a five (5) year pilot period. The measure sets specific parameters for where the technology can be utilized, how the revenue can be used, and how a citation can be contested as well as other requirements. ASE is intended as a traffic safety tool that enhances and complements traditional police enforcement. SF and San Jose oppose the bill

AB 2: (Hate Crimes, Peace Officer Bill)

This bill would include Cops to the existing categories. PORAC active Support.

AB 27: (Violent Felonies, Sex offenders)

PORAC Active Support

SB 21: (Law enforcement Agencies surveillance policies)

Will require police agencies to submit an amendment to their surveillance plan/policies in an open meeting for each new surveillance technology sought to be implemented. PORAC Active Oppose

## **VIII. Vice Presidents' Reports**

### **A. San Luis Obispo County**

**5 min**

Need to update this seat

### **B. Santa Barbara County**

**5 min**

Mary Linda Arroyo (SB PMA)

Mary was introduced to the group by President McGrew

*Motion to seat Mary as the Santa Barbara Vice President was made by Mike McGrew and seconded by Tony Sanders. With no further discussion, the motion passed by unanimous vote of all members present.*

### **C. Ventura County**

**Don Douglass**

**5 min**

Don Douglass has stepped down. Need to fill his seat.

*Motion to have Scott Peterson replace Don as the Ventura County Vice President was made by Rogelio Cruz and seconded by Javier Antunez. With no further discussion, the motion passes by unanimous vote of all members present.*

## **IX. Unfinished Business**

**Mike McGrew**

**5 min**

Nothing

## **X. New Business**

Eric Swartz (Stevens Meyers Toohey)

Meeting with SLODSA and SLOASD tomorrow. Any questions regarding LTD, or help with claim forms, please contact Eric Swartz directly on his cell phone. Please make sure your members' beneficiary information is up to date!!! PORAC offers 100k to 1M life insurance policies. Eric's cell phone 949-678-3082

Jamie Amstutz (AFLAC)

Will be responsible for the majority of SB and VTA area associations. Has been with AFLAC for 6.5 years. Looking for area reps. Please try to contact first if you have claims, as she will assist with the process. 858-344-4331

Chris and Dominique (Morgan Stanley)

Primary focus is Public Safety, both Sworn and Non-Sworn

We offer financial and pre-financial planning. We offer many free services and encourage you to come "kick the tires", with respect to the services offered. We also have a wellness program for first responders. We are happy to help out wherever we can, and to come to your general membership meetings to speak with members.

Sanders (VCDSA)

*Motion to recommend that Mike Durant receive lifetime PORAC membership upon his retirement/separation was made by Tony Sanders and seconded by Javier Antunez. With no further discussion, the motion passed by unanimous vote of all members present.*

## **XI. Good of the Chapter Round Table/Member Comments**

Bill Penzo (Body Scan International)

Showed a video to the group about how to try to get an agency and/or city/county to pay for the scans. Should be "sold" as a way of helping to prolong members' ability to work; extending their career and saving the agencies and city/county governments in the long run. Bottom Line: the scan is not just about looking for illness, but a way to get ahead of potential issues, and help a member become and remain healthier.

Howard (Mastagni Holstedt)

Introduced Joseph Yalon as an attorney from his office, handling work comp issues. Also passed out a copy of Prop 66 amicus brief submitted to the Supreme Court on behalf of PORAC.

Ken Yuwiler (Rains Lucia Stern)

Silver Hadden Silver has merged with Rains Lucia. At end of day all associations will deal with same attorneys, with added benefit, of a stronger statewide presence and resources. Labor Symposium scheduled for February 3rd, 2017.

### Topics include:

- Contract Negotiations
- Pensions
- Healthcare & Retiree Healthcare
- Workers Comp

- Recent LDF cases

- Political Efforts and New Legislation

Bill Hadden (Rains Lucia Stern)

Updated group on Kirsch - Johnson case. Kirsch recently ordered reinstated by Civil Service Commission. Back-pay issue is still pending. Kirsch is a great guy, and did nothing wrong.

Still involved with SLO "boot camp" case.

Jacob Kalinski (Rains Lucia Stern)

Spoke briefly on the *Marin* case and vested rights doctrine vs "comparable advantages". CA Supreme Court has agreed to hear the case, but is waiting for 3 other related cases to be heard and decided. Also elaborated on CAL FIRE "right to airtime" issue.

Andrew Scott (Adams Ferrone Ferrone)

Workers Comp issues. Timeliness can be a litigated issue with respect to claims. The sooner you file, and obtain counsel in these cases, the better; so that the process is smother. "Carve out" programs have been popular recently, and save agencies and associations money. These programs help both members and employing agencies, by resolving WC issues much faster.

Robert Bauman (Adams Ferrone Ferrone)

Handles LDF for the office. DA's do not understand Work Comp issues and processes. May be quick to file fraud charges against your members. Please be aware that in some cases WC Fraud programs in DA offices are funded, or partially funded, by insurance companies.

Roger Garcia (OPOA)

Agency remains very short staffed

Javier Antunez (SBCDSA)

Gearing up for reopener in September to address PEPRA

Marco Flores (VCPPOA)

Contract negotiations soon for patrol

Don Douglass has stepped down. We finally received a standardized uniform for probation.

Chris Coulter (SVPOA)

Attention all PERS agencies. CALPERS has recently adjusted expected return rate. Originally was to be from 7.5% to 7% over 3 years. Decided to go to an 8-year amortization period instead. This will still have an effect on negotiations for all area agencies.

Tim Wedemeyer (SVPOA)

Starting contract negotiations this year.

Scott Petterson (VCDSA)

Rick Shimmel retiring as executive director as of end of March 2017.

Don Douglass (VCCPOA)

Constructive receipt issue (re: taxes on banked hours) is very complicated. Both the VCDDA and VCPPOA has spent approximately 30k dollars in attorney fees researching the issue.

Eric Beecher (SBPOA)

New Chief hired recently. Things are rolling along fine so far with him.

Tony Sanders (VCDSA)

Next years' conference will be hosted by Region III, and will be in San Diego. Trying to make it a family friendly conference again this year.

Griffin (Ventura POA)

Introduced himself.

Mary Linda Arroyo (SBPMA)

Currently in contract negotiations with the city; not going well. SB city has a lot of money in reserves but not willing to compensate employees accordingly.

Mike McGrew (SBPOA)

Thanked everyone for showing up. Adjourned the meeting.

~ Adjournment ~

Next meeting: Monday March 27, 2017

Location: Harbor Restaurant in Santa Barbara



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