

Tri-Counties Chapter Meeting

Location: The Harbor Restaurant Date: Monday September 21, 2015

Time: 1830-2030

Minutes

<u>ITEM</u>	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	<u>TIME</u>

I. Call to Order Mike McGrew 1 min

II. Approval of Minutes Mike McGrew 1 min

Motion to approve the minutes from July's meeting was made by Scott Peterson and seconded by Don Douglass. With no further discussion, the motion passed by unanimous vote of all members present.

III. Treasurer's Report Roger Garcia 5 min

Current balance is \$8498

IV. PORAC Officer's Report Tony Sanders 5 min

August meeting for Region III. Kamala Harris was in attendance. Asked for PORAC support in drafting a UOF policy. Comprehensive report should be coming out soon.

If there are any candidates your local association would like to support, please get that info to the state office by January.

Reed/DeMaio Pension Bill

No firm has been hired yet for signature gathering. We are in a standby mode at the moment to see what is next for any pension reform initiatives.

Death Penalty Initiative

\$100k recently allotted to fight the initiative. Against the wishes of many of the E-board

Scott Peterson (VCDSA)

It has been reported that Reed and DeMaio are in the process of rewriting the initiative to submit to the AG. It is speculated that they are waiting for a 2018 ballot because Kamala Harris is running for office, and they are betting the next AG may be less labor friendly.

V. President's Report

Mike McGrew

5 min

"At Ease" program has been initiated by SBPOA and SBPF, in association with Monty Roberts, at a Horse Ranch in the Santa Ynez Valley. The program offers a 3 day clinic to help first responders with PTSD.

VI. Committees

A. Insurance and Benefits Bill Daniels

5 min

AB1072 (LTD Plans - Funding Stability)

The bill has passed both houses and sitting on governors desk.

4850 / LTD benefit applications

Please be proactive when dealing with work comp claims. Fill out your LTD benefits applications early to get ahead of the curve, as the benefits can be delayed otherwise. Bill recommends submitting the application within the first month of a work related injury.

AFLAC

Raul is the new rep for SB area, former cop. If you need him to show up for briefings, or if any issues need to be resolved, please contact him.

B. Legal Defense Fund Chris Coulter

5 min

AB953 (LE Racial Profiling) Webber's Bill

Consent Decree requiring officers/dept report on all race "beliefs" for all LE contacts. Passed both houses, and sitting on governors desk.

Cases

DA's are regularly re-filing on hung juries.

Excessive force and child endangerment.

Officers from 2 separate departments have been filed on for allegations stemming from a "boot camp" in SLO county.

38 States 2 US Territories 105,414 Members 1096 Associations \$15,979,XXX in assets

Sharon Lassarda (LDF Conflict Attorney)

Grover Beach Chief fired officer recently because his statement did not match body cam. Provided attendees with a handout re: whether detention begins after red lights activated.

Ken Yuwiler (SHS&L)

Re (Poole vs Orange County Fire Authority) Gov't Sec 3255 (parallels our 3305) California Supreme Court decision on Firefighter Bill of Rights and Supervisors keeping

notes on employee for evaluation purposes. Fire BOR and POBOR language nearly identical on issue.

C. Retiree Medical Trust Tony Sanders 5 min

Stockton POA has joined the RMT trust

D. Political Action

5 min

Justin Fareed - Congressional Candidate

Justin began his presentation by vocalizing his "deep appreciation" for service to our community and country; stating that the nationwide offensive against LE is despicable and has really bothered him. Born and Raised in SB (3rd generation CA Cattle rancher). UCLA Graduate. Came within 1/2% of winning primary last election. Wants to run for congress to bring some common sense and an open mind and narrow focus. Has been involved with the "join up" program; aiding veterans and first responders.

Some questions that were asked of Fareed during the presentation:

Q: (Tony Sanders) How will you bridge the partisan gap and get things done?
A: Resigned on the eve of the last government shutdown due to the message it was sending. Believes in true representation of his district, and in building bi-partisan

Q: (Chris Coulter) Who are your projected rivals?

A. Helene Schneider, Salud Carbajal, Katcho Achadjian?, and William Ostrander.

Q: (Scott Peterson)

Pension reform initiative. What are your feelings?

A: Strong advocate that those who put their lives on the line on a daily basis deserve "what they put in". It is important to have representation on local, state, and federal level on important issues. Public safety should be taken care of, but stability, fiscal responsibility, and solvency are also important.

Q: (Don Douglass) Other than current and past politicians, are any groups backing you? A: This is first group he has sat down with. Has raised over 1/4M of funds so far on his own. Before I would ask for your support, I would like to know more about the issues that concern us, and how he can best serve us.

VII. Directors' Reports

A. Tri-Counties Director Chris Corbett 5 min

Not present

B. Executive Board Director Tony Sanders 5 min

VIII. Vice Presidents' Reports

A. San Luis Obispo County

5 min

No SLO agencies represented at today's meeting

B. Santa Barbara County Chris Corbett 5 min

Javier Antunez (SBCDSA)

SBCDSA continues to work without a contract. Membership overwhelmingly voted against recent "TA" with the county.

C. Ventura County

Don Douglass

5 min

No reports from associations not present.

Retirement system in VTA is in process of defining PEPRA that appears not to be in line with PERS' definition; coming up with a much more restrictive definition. Legal challenges will follow.

Lexipol Policy implementation has begun with VC Probation. Some policies will require a meet & confer.

5th annual leadership survey for executive management team. This year there was an uptick improvement on trust & morale issues, although ratings were still generally poor.

IX. Unfinished Business Mike McGrew

5 min

Nothing

X. New Business

Nothing

XI. Good of the Chapter Round Table/Member Comments

Chris Coulter / Bill Daniels (SVPOA) Contract TA potentially reached with city Jan 2016 5% + retirement cost p/u July 2016 longevity VAC increase Jan 2017 5% + retirement cost p/u Total Value 17.5%

Freidrichs vs CA Teachers Association

Associations have to represent entire class of employees within the represented "bargaining unit" regardless of membership in the association.

Mike Mcgrew (SBPOA)

SB just went to different election districts system.

POA going to hold off on PAC contributions at the moment. Putting forth efforts towards association/member issues. Retention and recruitment is critical at the moment.

Adjournment ~ Next meeting: Friday November 20, 2015 at Conference in Monterrey, CA.



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