

Tri-Counties Chapter Meeting

Location: The Harbor Restaurant Date: Monday March 18, 2013 Time: 1830-2030

Agenda

Recorder 11 @8:00

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

I. Call to Order Mike McGrew 1 min

II. Approval of Minutes Mike McGrew

1 min

Motion by Ryan Bates to approve January meeting minutes, with change of verbiage in Ventura V.P. report, from "both have been fired" to "both have resigned", seconded by Greg Hons. With no further discussion, motion passes by unanimous vote of all members present.

III. Treasurer's Report Ryan Bates

5 min

PAC Acct. Balance \$24,462.25 PIC Acct. Balance \$3,285.91 Operating Acct. Balance \$11,502.09

As of 3rd quarter 2012, we have NO late paying associations.

Ryan is stepping down as treasurer, so if anyone would like to volunteer for this appointed position, please see Mike McGrew.

IV. PORAC Officer's Report

5 min

Anthony Sanders

PORAC is in support of enhanced penalties for violations of current assault weapons laws, but has not yet taken a position on newly proposed assault

weapons bans. PORAC has taken a position supporting background checks at gun shows (i.e. to close the loophole).

PORAC is in support of Senate Bill 146; worker's compensation amendment(s).

V. President's Report Mike McGrew 5 min

Chris Coulter:

Several local associations working on an assembly bill, along with Fran Pavely and Das Williams, which would allow associations to participate in the PERS/PORAC medical insurance without the lifetime stipend component; this has been tabled until next year.

VI. Committees

A. Insurance and Benefits Bill Daniels 5 min

Bill Daniels not present, report by Chris Coulter:

2014 PERS rates should be out soon.

CLEA lawsuit still currently in mediation

B. Legal Defense Fund Peter Hoh 5 min

Kasey Sirody (Lackey & Meier) present No significant items to report.

Bob Baker (SHSW&L)

Firm has filed a lawsuit on behalf of SDSO to combat the pension reform that has been recently enacted. The argument is based on the State's imposing a change of existing contract.

Upcoming Bills to be aware of:

Assembly Bill 604 (Criminal Investigations; eyewitness identification) – This Bill amends several evidence and penal codes as they relate to admissibility of eyewitness identifications and photo line-ups in criminal trials.

Assembly Bill 335 (Vehicles: Impoundment) – Bill would prohibit LEOs from immediately impounding vehicles of unlicensed drivers under certain conditions. PORAC is opposing the bill. All associations are encouraged to contact their representatives stating their opposition as well.

C. Retiree Medical Trust

5 min

No report

D. Political Action

5 min

Das Williams has approached us, in the course of fundraising efforts for his next campaign (2014). We endorsed Das in his last race, and he has generally been responsive to our needs. There is a fundraising golf tournament coming up. The max we could give is \$4100 in sponsorship of a foursome. The tournament is Friday May 17th at the Sandpiper Golf Course in Santa Barbara.

Motion to purschase/sponsor a foursome for \$4100 at Das Williams' fundraising Golf Tournament made by Mike Mcgrew, seconded by Ryan Bates. With no further discussion, the motion passes by unanimous vote of all members present.

VII. Directors' Reports

A. Tri-County Director

Chris Corbett

5 min

Symposium coming up April 9th-10th at the Silver Legacy in Reno. Topics will include Officer deaths (below 100 presentation), fatigue, 1st amendment issues, municipal bankruptcy.

Several directors will be in Sacramento on May 1st to participate at Peace Officer's Memorial and legislative day.

B. Executive Board Director

Randy Watkins

5 min

No report

VIII. Vice Presidents' Reports

A. San Luis Obispo County

Mike Thompson

5 min

Not present

B. Santa Barbara County

Chris Corbett

5 min

Sheriff will be at BOS meeting tomorrow for its "service level reduction" meeting. It is not known at this time what SLR's, if any, will be discussed with respect to our department.

Contested 2nd district supervisor race coming up. Janet Wolf vs. Roger Aceves.

C. Ventura County

Ryan Bates

5 min

No report from any of the other Ventura agencies. Nothing going on at the moment with HPOA

IX. Unfinished Business

Mike McGrew

5 min

Nothing

X. New Business

A. Open Treasurer Seat

Association looking to fill behind Ryan Bates. Contact Mike McGrew if interested.

B. Das Williams Support (SBPOA)

*Covered in Political Action Above

XI. Good of the Chapter Round Table/Member Comments

Mark Adler (Public Safety Financial)

Mark and Kari Martindale are still working on putting together benefit books for our membership. This benefit is free; PSF makes money only IF the member chooses to purchase any additional insurance/services from PSF.

Tim Ferrill (VPOA)

Agency still suffering from chronically low staffing levels. Contract extension recently approved through DEC 2013. 5K mud run this April 28th in Ventura is coming up... benefiting VPOA.

Roger Garcia (OPOA)

Oxnard Mayor has recently been speaking out at meetings against officer pay & benefits. Believes officers should not make more than teachers, and definitely not more than \$75k. Contract good for another year

Chris Coulter (Simi POA)

Negotiations for next contract coming up, as soon as the interim city manager is replaced. City Council stressing COIN (civic openness in negotiations) this go around. Fundraising motorcycle ride to benefit the police association will be held soon.

Tom Radzyminsky (SM POA)

The department has experienced several positive changes with new chief. Many from the old regime have left the department. Staffing shortages have plagued the department, resulting in a more reactionary policing style.

Ryan Bates

Hueneme is also suffering from staffing shortages, down two whole officers! HPOA has recently decided to conduct an audit of the city in preparation of its next contract negotiation.

Grea Hons (SBPOA)

Negotiations starting soon, contract expires June 30th.

McGrew – "Fact-finding in Negotiations" Bill (AB646 2012) will impact upcoming negotiations. Due to this, association will begin negotiations sooner than usual.

Eric Swartz (Meyers Stevens)

Please contact your LTD company before leaving long term on a 4850 claim in order to reduce the chances of a gap in coverage.

Steven Hendrickson (SLO DSA)

Officers with IOD follow-up appointments have been forced to use their own time (unpaid) to attend these appointments.

Contract also ends June 30th.

Sheriff big on random drug testing due to the SLO narcotics officer recently arrested by federal task force.

Gary Wyatt (AFLAC)

Aflac paid \$2.2M dollars in claims last year (2012).

Aflac cannot offer life insurance to PORAC members because PORAC has contracted with a separate insurance company, which happens to offer excellent rates.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Chris Corbett, seconded by Kelly Radzyminsky. Motion passes by unanimous vote of members present.

Adjournment ~ Next meeting: Monday May 20th, 2013 - Harbor Restaurant



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