



Tri-Counties Chapter Meeting

Location: The Harbor Restaurant

Date: January 17th, 2012

Time: 1830-2030

Agenda

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</u>	<u>TIME</u>
I. Call to Order	Dave Wareham	1 min
A. Roll Call/Sign In Meeting called to order @ 1838 Peter Hoh (Azusa) LA North Chapter		
II. Approval of Minutes (Nov. 2011)		1 min
Tabled to next meeting for editing by Secretary		
III. Treasurer's Report	Ryan Bates	5 min
Operating account balance as of today \$10,304.79 Last PORAC reimbursement \$1669.96 As of this quarter, Arroyo Grande POA is 26 days late. ASLODS, Morro Bay POA, SBPOA and SBRPOA are also delinquent as of today		
IV. PORAC Officer's Report	Mike Durant	5 min

PORAC is the one making the calls when associations are delinquent... not 1-3 weeks late. 2+ Quarters late is when calls get made, and memberships get suspended. Member Services Rep Angie Gonzales makes calls to association reps to make notifications. Bills go out on 20th of month prior they are due. Chapters get 5% reimbursement from PORAC for all chapters that pay prior to the 21st day of the month they are due.

*Some chapters penalize delinquent associations directly, to encourage associations to pay on time.

PORAC is partnered up with an organization called ABC2012 (Alliance for a Better California). This organization is intent on helping defeat the "Stop Special Interest Money Now" initiative that has qualified for November 2012 ballot. This initiative stops LEO, and other employee, associations from collecting any PAC funds via payroll deductions (members can still contribute individually). Most of these attacks are led by Republican lawmakers. The message needs to get out there to defeat these initiatives.

V. President's Report Dave Wareham 5 min

Scholarships are available from PORAC to Tri-Counties associations to assist them with attending the upcoming symposium; info available on the website.

General Manager Carol Bravo is no longer employed by PORAC. Currently Kim Busman, and Rebecca Eisenreich are the main points of contact.

VI. Committees

A. Insurance and Benefits Bill Daniels (805)583-6917 5 min
Insurance and benefits still aggressively fighting against CLEA efforts to slow down CLEA associations from jumping ship to PORAC.
JAN-FEB, evaluations on LTD usage will be completed in order to decide whether or not to adjust fees.

B. Legal Defense Fund Peter Hoh 5 min
Membership @ 92,145
Just under \$7M in assets.

If you call in sick for work, please don't post pics/comments on social networking sights that depict you doing anything other than home sick. The use of attorneys for "small" internal investigations is what drives the dues up. Insurance covers the "big stuff". Rates, for each association, are re-evaluated every year.

C. Retiree Medical Trust Dave Wareham 5 min
No Tri-Counties associations are part of the Retiree Medical Trust yet.

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
Last two E-Committee meetings have gone over PORAC re-organization (internal, GM, etc), and whether or not to support Governor's budget.
- Re-development fund grant money, which many cities were "hiding" during budget hearings, should be released soon due to new reporting requirements. Much of these funds should eventually make their way back to public safety, in order to help make department budgets whole again.
- Assault weapons adjustment for retired officers. NRA supports this adjustment for ALL citizens only at this time (except felons and mentally-ill). This initiative may be killed politically before it develops.
- If you have any legislation you'd like to see pushed through, present it at conference, for the subsequent year.
- Full Board PORAC meeting will be February 17-18th... "New Director" training will commence on the 16th.
- E-Committee members will be in D.C. March 17th for business.

VIII. Vice Presidents' Reports

- A. San Luis Obispo County Mike Thompson 5 min
SLO DSA represents the custody membership, with the ASLODS representing the sworn deputies. AB109 has already begun to have negative impacts with jail over-crowding... with a positive side-effect of increased hiring. Steve Hendrickson (SLODSA's Sgt-at-arms) was introduced, and will likely be a regular at Tri-Counties' meetings.
- B. Santa Barbara County Chris Corbett 5 min
Chris not present from SBCDSA. DSA General Membership meeting will take place tomorrow in Santa Barbara. All is quiet otherwise, for now.
- SBPOA will likely support Hannah-Beth Jackson for the upcoming senate race.
- SMPOA is deep in politics at this time. Over 40% of the department is currently made up of entry level hires with less than 3 years on, rather than laterals and veteran officers, which causes a lack of participation within the association. This could be due to being newer officers potentially being more easily influenced and/or pressured. Currently, five termination cases are ongoing, which should be "slam dunks" for POA.

C. Ventura County Ryan Bates 5 min
PHPOA should begin negotiations in next 6 months; their efforts may be hampered by a recent newspaper article highlighting the pay of Port Hueneme officers, as compared to nearby agencies.
Association elections will be in March. Ryan will not be running for re-election as President of the association.

VCDSA locked in until November 2012, with extension until 2013.
County doing well at the moment, therefore nothing on the table at the time. Most issues are departmental at this time. Department is looking to go to a FLSA 86 hour rule; enabling adjustment of OT when “non-productive work hours” are taken during same PP (i.e. VAC, sick, etc).

IX. Unfinished Business Dave Wareham 5 min
No Report

X. New Business

Nina Erickson – California Casualty
Harley Davidson give-away registration going on until the end of the month.
Entrance available online. New rate reductions to take effect soon.

Matt Findlay – Deputy Sheriff Trainees buying back military time as “general members” due to technicality within Government Code of 1937 Act Counties that states DST’s enter the retirement system as general members, and did not become safety members until after the DST’s completed the academy and were sworn in. Ventura County BOS is not willing to change the method of calculation due to current pension “mood”. Legislation may be sought to fix the formula.

XI. Good of the Chapter Round Table/Member Comments
No Report

Adjournment ~ Next Meeting: March 19, 2012 – Harbor Restaurant, Santa Barbara



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