



P.O.R.A.C.
Peace Officers Research Association of California
SAN DIEGO & IMPERIAL COUNTIES CHAPTER

SUMMARY OF MEETING
DATE: June 12, 2019

IN ATTENDANCE

Regular Associations

Brawley PMA
Brawley Police Sgts. Assn.
Brawley PSA
Calexico POA
Calipatria POA
Carlsbad PMA
Carlsbad POA
Chula Vista POA: *David Oyos, Rusty Rea, Fred Rowbotham*
Coronado POA
El Cajon POA: *Jose Osuna*
El Centro POA
El Centro Sgts. Assn.
Escondido POA
Imperial County District Atty Invest Assn.
Imperial County DSA: *Frank Reyes*
Imperial County Public Safety Mngr Assn.
Imperial POA
La Mesa POA
MiraCosta College POA
National City POA

Oceanside POA: *Justin Willms*
Palomar College POA
RAM: *James Mac Donald, Arnold Page, Randy Dibb, Tom Simonds*
SD CO DSA: *Dawn Morabe, Michele Chism*
SD Community College POA
SD County DAI Assn.: *Jim Clark*
SD County Probation Officers Assn.: *Scott Laudner*
SD County Public Assistance Investigators Assn.
SD Harbor POA
SD POA: *Jack Schaefer, Brian Avera*
SD Schools PMA: *Jesus Montana*
SD Schools POA
Southwestern Community College POA
UCSD POA
Westmorland POA

Limited Associations

Border Patrol Supervisors Assn
Brawley FFA

SD County DDA Assn.
Transit Enforcement Officers

Reserve Associations

Carlsbad RPOA
Chula Vista PRA
Coronado PRA
Escondido PRA

La Mesa Reserves POA
National City PRA
SD County DA Reserve Investigators
SD RPOA
San Diego Sheriff's Reserve Deputy Assn.:

Attorneys

Brad Fields, Rick Pinckard (Bobbitt, Pinckard & Fields APC); *Scott O'Mara* (O'Mara); *Jason Ewert* (Mastagni, Holdstedt APC)

PORAC Endorsed Providers

Jamie Amstutz (AFLAC)

Supporters

Curt Conkling, Bobbi Octavo (Nationwide Mortgage)

Guests

Robert Rudisill (SD Co. DSA); Elizabeth Rudisill (2019 POREF Scholarship Recipient)

CALL TO ORDER

The monthly meeting of the San Diego and Imperial County Chapter of PORAC was called to order by Vice President Dawn Morabe on Wednesday, June 12, 2019, at 1800 hours at the San Diego POA Office.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by James Mac Donald.

A moment of silence was held for the 16 law enforcement officers, including LAPD Officer Esmeralda Ramirez [E.O.W. June 9, 2019], who died in the line of duty since the April 24, 2019 chapter meeting.

EXECUTIVE BOARD ROLL CALL

Roll call was performed by Vice President Morabe. All members were present except for President Zmijewski (work) and VP Ferrara (ill).

PRESENTATIONS

VP Morabe presented Elizabeth Rudisill with a certificate and a \$2000 scholarship check as a recipient of the 2019 POREF Scholarship Award. She graduated from Great Oak High School and will be attending UNLV with a major in hotel management.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the April 24, 2019 meeting had been distributed by E-Blast prior to the meeting. Arnold Page made a motion to accept the minutes of the April 24, 2019 chapter meeting. The motion was seconded by Jesus Montana and was passed. [ABSTENTIONS: El Cajon POA, SD County Probation Officers Assn.]

INTRODUCTIONS

Everyone introduced themselves and the association/organizations that they represented.

CHAPTER REPORTS

FINANCE – Page

He provided copies of the April-May 2019 CAHP statement and transaction list, and the January-May 2019 profit and loss report. All accounts are current.
Contact him for any further information.

INSURANCE & BENEFIT TRUST (PORAC I&BT) – Rea
He said that there is nothing to report.

DISABILITY, LIFE & AD&D PROVIDERS

AFLAC

Jamie Amstutz urged anyone with questions to contact her.

California Casualty

There was no report due to the absence of a representative at the meeting.

Myers-Stevens & Toohey

There was no report due to the absence of a representative at the meeting.

RETIRED ASSOCIATE MEMBER – Simonds

There are currently 8,078 members of which 4103 have LDF Plan IV coverage.

He reported that IUPA is interested in becoming members of RAM, however, only for the CCW coverage. They are not interested in receiving the PORAC Law Enforcement news or other benefits.

POLITICAL UPDATE

PAC – Montana

The chapter is revising its political endorsement process, now requiring all candidates to complete a questionnaire.

LEGISLATION – Montana

Legislation Day at the Capitol was very successful with a focus on SB230 and AB392.

The 1st Law Enforcement Day at the Capitol was also very successful.

For the first time P.O.S.T. funding is included in the state budget. Previously, funding was done through fines and assessments.

He summarized several pieces of legislation of interest to law enforcement.

PORAC

CHAPTER DIRECTOR – Montana

He reported that the IBT is outgrowing its space at the PORAC State Office and is considering their own building.

The State Office is also in the process of hiring a Human Resource coordinator.

There are currently 75,592 members representing 921 associations.

Similar to a GoFundMe page, PORAC is considering establishing an assistance system for its associations/members.

After interviewing the two candidates for CalPERS PORAC will remain neutral.

The RMT decided to place the remedy of issues with association membership resulting from the Janus decision with the associations.

He provided information on having the September 7 region meeting at either Sycuan or the Island Palms Hotel

James Mac Donald made a motion for the Region IV meeting to be held at the Island Palms Hotel. The motion was seconded by Jack Schaefer and passed.

LEGAL/MEMBER CONCERNS

LDF – Rowbotham

There are currently 135,361 members from 13,038 associations representing 47 states and four U.S. territories in LDF.

There are 79 active criminal cases at trial, seven of which are for murder/manslaughter.

Registration for the LDF Conference in Las Vegas is going well. Almost half of the 250 registered participants are from outside California.

POLICE REVIEW BOARDS – Pinckard/Fields

They continue to work with the county on revisions to the CLERB rules.

BODY-WORN CAMERAS – Fields/Pinckard

There was nothing to report.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION - Dugan/O'Mara/Hopkins

Scott O'Mara distributed copies of Law1199.com Newsletter (2019 Issue 6). He outlined the newsletter which discussed the "Firefighter Rule". (For further information go to www.law1199.com.)

CHAPTER INTEREST

MEMBERSHIP – Ferrara

There was no report due to her absence.

MEMORIAL – Simonds

Both the SD Motorcycle Officers Memorial Breakfast and the SD County Law Enforcement Officer Memorial Ceremony were well attended. The 2020 ceremony will be on May 6.

MERCHANDISE

There was no report. The chapter continues to seek a chairperson.

SPECIAL EVENTS - Susi

The Wine Tour was attended by 45 people with positive feedback.

A yearly Brew Tour and Wine Tour will be developed.

There are ten openings left for a fishing expedition to be held on June 22. The cost is \$180, per person. Contact him for further information.

TECHNOLOGY – Simonds

On June 2, the website went down for less than an hour due to an administrative issue.

LOCAL SUPPORTERS

Nationwide Mortgage – Conkling

With the current market conditions they recommend looking into purchasing multi-unit properties. Contact them for assistance with any mortgage opportunities.

ISSUES/PROBLEMS

SDPOA—after the chapter voted to recommend to the state office the endorsement of SD Councilman Chris Ward for election to the California Assembly (AD78) he voted to endorse Assemblywoman Shirley Weber's AB392 bill at the San Diego County Democrat meeting. SDPOA has not made any change in its endorsement at this time.

Jesus Montana reported that to-date the state office has not made an endorsement in AD76.

Jack Schaeffer made a motion for the chapter to reconsider the motion to recommend to the state office the endorsement of Chris Ward to California Assembly District 78. The motion was seconded by David Oyos and passed.

Jack Schaeffer made a motion to remove the endorsement and recommendation of Chris Ward for California Assembly District 78. The motion was seconded by Ernie Susi and passed.

SD County DSA—On July 12 ballots will be distributed to members for a vote on withdrawing membership from PORAC. The ballots will be due back by August 9 and tabulated on August 12.

GOOD OF THE CHAPTER

VP Morabe announced that the next chapter meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 10, 2019, at 1800 hours. The meeting will be held at SDPOA Office in San Diego.

Without objection, VP Morabe tabled scholarships and shirts for the 2019 Conference of Members and seeking transition of the chapter logo into a JPEG file until the July 10, meeting.

The El Cajon POA Golf Tournament will be held on Friday, June 21, at the Carlton Oaks Golf Club. Sponsorship is \$450 which includes the name of the sponsors on a towel which will be provided to all participants.

Brian Avera made a motion for the chapter to be a sponsor of the El Cajon POA Golf Tournament for \$450. The motion was seconded by Tom Simonds and passed.

The Oceanside POA Golf Tournament will be held on Monday, August 26, at the Arrowhead Golf Club. There are two levels of sponsorship: 1) \$400 for general sponsorship; and, 2) \$600 which includes sponsorship and four players.

Brian Avera made a motion for the chapter to be a sponsor of the Oceanside POA Golf Tournament for \$600. Seconded by Chism and passed.

OLD BUSINESS

There was nothing to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS

There was nothing to discuss.

ADJOURNMENT

Without objection VP Morabe adjourned the meeting at 1927 hours.