



AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
Department of California
205 13th Street, Suite 3300
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MINUTES
Pre-Convention Committee Meeting
Santa Clara Convention, Santa Clara, CA
Thursday, June 19, 2014

Actions Taken

The Pre-Convention Department Executive Committee Meeting was called to Order by President Anita Biggs at 7:00 A.M.

Roll call of voting members were taken and actions of the District Presidents were presented and approved as attached.

Motion made by the Finance Committee for a \$.50 raise for Janeen Thomas. Discussion was held and motion amended by Linda Workman to give Janeen Thomas a \$.50 raise if she accepts the new position being presented in changes to the Constitution and Bylaws meeting if passed. Motion was seconded and after considerable discussion Melanie Taylor moved the question and motion was approved as amended.

Melanie Taylor, Convention Commission Chairman reported and distributed a detailed comparison of 2015 convention in Ontario, California.

On May 4th, a site inspection of the Ontario Convention Center, the Doubletree hotel and Ontario Airport Hotel was arranged for the Commission Committee, the Department Vice President and other ALA members.

Rooms at the Doubletree Hotel are \$115 + tax per night. You have to walk to the convention center from the hotel, the meeting rooms are adequate but ALA would be charged for water in these rooms and in the convention hall. Food can't be brought into the convention center, and can only be ordered through their caterer. There is a café style dining in the convention lobby and possibly box lunches would be available. The Past President's Parley luncheon will be in the Convention Center. The

President's Banquet will be held in the Doubletree Hotel, Ballroom A, next to The American Legion Casino Night,

Rooms at the Ontario Airport Hotel are \$89 + tax which is \$2 per night cheaper than the Doubletree Hotel, with adequate convention space; all the meeting rooms are on the first floor, inside the hotel. The atrium is perfect for the Past President's Parley luncheon and the President's banquet. There is a buffet, coffee shop, cocktail lounge, and Starbucks in the hotel lobby, and box lunches are available. A hospitality suite is available all four days and we can bring in our own food for the Candidate's Night Reception. There is complimentary Wi-Fi in all public areas, and a free shuttle to and from Ontario Airport, Ontario Mills Shopping Mall, nearby restaurants and the Convention Center. These are just a few of the comps on the Commission Committee's list. Melanie Taylor moved to change the 2015 American Legion Auxiliary Ontario Convention site to the Ontario Airport Hotel. Motion seconded and after considerable discussion was approved.

The following actions were moved by the respective District Presidents, seconded and carried. In the absence of District 1 President, Terry Mikesell, National Executive Committeewoman, moved action items for Units in District 1:

Unit Name and Number District Number	Placed on Probation	Remain on Probation	Remove from Probation	Charter Surrender	Charter Revoked
Redwood Empire Unit 385, District 1				X	
Hoopla Unit 415, District 1		X			
Hopland Unit 529, District 1			X		
Eagle Lake Unit 162, District 3	X				
Petaluma Unit 28, District 5				X	
Benicia Unit 101, District 5	X				
Dixon Unit 208, District 5			X		
Greater Mission Unit 347, District 8	X				
Sharpe General Depot Unit 632, District 11	X				
Dos Palos Unit 86, District 11	X				
Scranton & Qualle, District 12			X		
Willow Glen Unit 318, District 13			X		
Diosdado M Franco Unit 714, District 13				X	
Northside Unit 858, District 13				X	
Madera Unit 11, District 14			X		
Selma Unit 13, District 14				X	
Lemoore Unit 100, District 14	X				
East Bakersfield Unit 682, District 15	X				
Guadalupe Unit 371, District 16					X
Alhambra Unit 139, District 18	X				
Eugene A. Obregon Unit 804, District 19					X
Eagle Rock Unit 276, District 20					X
Verdugo Hills Unit 288, District 20					
Willis A. Rowe Unit 538, District 20					X
Leyte Unit 625, District 22		X			
South Gate Unit 335, District 23	X Dec 2015				
Steele-Towne Inc. Unit 772		X			
Boron Unit 636, District 27		X			
San Benito Unit 69, District 28			X		
Santa Ana Unit 131, District 29		X			
Brea Unit 181, District 29				X	

