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Board of Director's -- APRIL -- Regular Meeting

CALL TO ORDER: Wednesday, April 1, 2015 – President D. Humphreys convened the meeting to order at 12:30 hours.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: B. Knorr led the Board of Directors in reciting the pledge.

ROLL CALL: D. Humphreys, President; J. Paholski, Vice-President; R. Chen, Secretary; S. White, Treasurer; B. Knorr, Sergeant-at-Arms/ Director; R. Backstrom, Director; P. Teichmann, Director; R. Parker, Director (ABS); Y. Nikitin, Director.

DIRECTORS ABSENT: R. Parker, Director (TRG).

OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT: D. Hashin, Chief Financial Officer, J. Huss, Retired, C. Bales.

GUESTS: Dave Demurjian, General Counsel.

MINUTES: Minutes for the Regular Meeting of March 11, 2015 were approved on a motion by R. Backstrom and 2nd by P. Teichmann the minutes were approved. Abstaining: R. Chen and B. Knorr.

TREASURER REPORT: The Treasurer's Report, that included the Membership (210 at 1988 levels), Member(s) on Leave Updates (R. McNaughton deployed), credit card statement review and Financial Reports were presented by D. Hashin and are available upon request.

OLD BUSINESS

GALLOWAY PRESENTATIONS: D. Hashin said that the briefing presentations are underway and seem to be going well and he had not noticed any problems with the presentation of information. Members seem to be interested in the information.

COMMUNITY LIAISON POSITION-RECURRENT: D. Humphreys said that this should be addressed at the next Senior Staff Meeting to determine the status of it.

DET UNIT REALIGNMENT: D. Humphreys said that a memo had been issued to the four members of that detail (DET) and there was no update on it.

DEPARTMENT ROTATION PLANS & SUPPRESSORS: D. Humphreys said that he would be hand delivering letters regarding rotation/ suppressors to the Chief and Risk Management that would address the reduction of safety equipment and previous standards established.

50th ANNIVERSARY COIN: D. Hashin said that the 50th Anniversary Challenge Coin has been paid for and should be delivered in April.

SELECTION COMMITTEE PROCESS: D. Humphreys said that the committee had completed its task with recommendations to the Chief, but that the Chief was not going to make any changes to the process and that it would remain as status quo. D. Humphreys thanked R. Backstrom and S. White for the input and participation on the committee.

NYPD T-SHIRT FUNDRAISER: D. Humphreys requested a status of this project. R. Chen said that he had placed the original order on his own and did not realize the huge response that he would get. He had fronted the original \$800.00 plus S&H and placed a second order, but that has been held up pending the printing of larger sizes and is waiting on delivery. He said about \$2,000.00 was raised for the NYPD officers. He also said he would provide an excel spread sheet with the information documenting the T-shirt purchases.

NEW BUSINESS

LEGAL DEFENSE FUND: D. Hashin reported that the Association's LDF rates would be decreasing by 10% (\$6.20/ per month) beginning June 1, 2015.

POLICE FOUNDATION: Discussion was held on the Chief forming a foundation to provide equipment for the Department that could be used to purchase when there are no allocated monies in the city budgeted for the equipment, such as LAPD has done for body cameras and other items.

It was determined that the Chief has formed the Huntington Beach Police & Community Foundation in October 2014 – Corporation #3719509 (10-15-2014). The Chief provided no direct information on establishing this foundation to the POA. Discussion held that there is only so much charity money within the city to support various groups and that this might have an effect on our Foundation fundraising.

50th ANNIVERSARY OPEN HOUSE: Discussion was held to host an open house on April 27, 2015 between 6:00 – 9:00 PM for active/retired members to attend with cake and beverages being provided and distribute the challenge coin to those who attend. D. Hashin will handle this. S. White will handle email notices.

AIR SUPPORT UNIT: J. Paholski stated that the department might be considering filling a pilot vacancy (R. McNaughton) with a former Costa Mesa PD pilot. This has been considered before and it was felt that if this is either rumor or being seriously considered the POA should be concerned that a position for a member would be removed. D. Demurjian was directed to draft a letter for approval by D. Humphreys to be sent to the Chief addressing this topic.

POA BULLETIN BOARD: D. Dereszynski had suggested a revision to the POA Bulletin Board in the basement by installing new LED lighting, replacing the doors and possibly adding a digital monitor to show photos from events. D. Humphreys requested that B. Knorr contact him to get some future ideas as to the revisions.

PORAC TRAINING CLASS: D. Hashin instructed at a recent PORAC Basic Negotiations training class as a trustee for the Retiree Medical Trustee as a benefit to negotiate for. D. Humphreys attended the class and felt that the information was well received by the attendees.

MEMBER ASSISTANCE: D. Hashin said that he had been contacted by S. Maldonado recently regarding his inability to obtain health care coverage because he did not have any identification from the Department. It seems that he was retired and no ID card or retired badge was issued to him. He had called the department personnel unit for assistance, but had not had a return call. Y. Nikitin would inquire on the status of this.

DONATION UPDATE: S. White informed the Board that he regretted to info them that the wife of Derek Limbacher, Hawthorne PD, Jen had died while battling cancer. www.GoFundMe/JenLimbacher

DONATION REQUEST: D. Humphreys had a request from S. Mack for the donation of monies to assist the family of Robin Samsoe, her brother Robert Samsoe, 49, recently died of a massive heart attack. S. Mack had sent out a request to retirees via email and had received some money to assist and was asking the Foundation for additional funds. Motion by R. Backstrom and 2nd by Y. Nikitin to donate \$250.00 with all concurring.

TUITION ISSUE: Received an email from L. Smith regarding tuition reimbursement for her participation in the program. Y. Nikitin was aware of the situation and said that he would discuss it with Michelle Warren and get back to L. Smith regarding his findings.

TRAINING CLASS: S. White presented information on a training class being provided by Silver, Hadden, Silver & Levine 'Protecting the Protectors' on May 7, 2015 in Santa Monica. P. Teichmann would consider attending, but needed to check his schedule.

COMMITTEES

LABOR MANAGEMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE: No report.

NEGOTIATION TEAM: Y. Nikitin said that he has a meeting with the City Finance Director to try and obtain cost numbers prior to the start of negotiations and hopes to have those soon at least when we start discussions. Other departmental topics are body cameras, which has legislative bills being considered and would over-ride departmental policy. CTO/ sick time usage will also be discussed to control non-issues.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- **MAIL:** Request for sponsorship to the HB Chamber of Commerce Economic Conference to be held on Wednesday, April 15, 2015 to be held at the Hyatt Regency Huntington Beach Resort & Spa. No action taken.
- **MAIL:** City of Buena Park requested a donation for their 5th Annual Relay for Life Golf Tournament on April 6, 2015. Motion by Y. Nikitin and 2nd by R. Backstrom to \$150.00 for a Tee Sponsorship with all concurring.

ACTIVITIES:

- April 14 – 2014 HBPD Department Awards Program
- April 14-15 – PORAC Training Symposium – Santa Barbara
- April 15 – HB Chamber of Commerce Economic Conference
- April 27 – HBPOA 50th Anniversary Open House

ADJOURNMENT: This meeting was adjourned at 16:03 hours to reconvene at 12:00 hours on Wednesday, April 22, 2015.

ATTEST:



Jeff Huss
HBPOA Retired Member