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General Board Meeting of February 15, 2017

<u>Present</u>		<u>Absent</u>	<u>Guests</u>
Scott Peterson	Tony Sanders	Shawn Holzberger	James Espinoza
Joe Mulrooney	Lee Armstrong	Virginia Tinoco	
Erik Roe	Bob Steele	Victor Flores	
Trina Newman	Jason Robarts	Kasey Sirody	
Rick Shimmel			

President Scott Peterson called the meeting to order at 5:16 p.m.

MINUTES: Motion by Joe Mulrooney, second by Virginia Tinoco, to approve the minutes of the Feb 1, 2017 Board meeting, without objection, passed unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: On Feb 2, Scott and Rick met with Commander Murray and Tracey Pirie to discuss proposed revisions to the Habit Forming Substances section of the Conduct & Ethics Policy in light of the passage of Prop. 64 and the legalization of recreational marijuana in California. On Feb 9, Scott met with Kasey Sirody to discuss her employment with VCDSA. On Feb 10, Scott attended the retirement event for Assistant Sheriff Stewart and presented his plaque and retirement bonus on behalf of VCDSA. On Feb 12-13, Scott and Tony met with PORAC President Mike Durant and Treasurer Marcelo Blanco to discuss issues affecting law enforcement, and also attended the PORAC Board of Directors meeting. On Feb 14, Scott and Rick provided VCDSA membership information to newly hired DAI Adam Delgado. On Feb 15, Scott and other members of the Shoot Committee attended the committee meeting prior to the Board meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Since the last Board meeting, Rick assisted one member with an Internal Affairs interview. On Feb 8, Rick, Victor, Albert Miramontes and Ray Dominguez met with Rebecca Willhite and LaToyia Wilson-Rodriguez of Sheriff's HR to discuss improvements to the VCSO bilingual program. Proposed changes include extending the requalification period from 18 months to 3 years and eliminating the written exam for Level I and II bilingual certification. Rick and Kasey made edits to the new VCDSA website under construction by NEP and the site should be ready to go live shortly.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Without objection, the Board accepted the financial reports.

COMMITTEES:

- **EAP/EEAF:** No new business.
- **I & B:** No new business.



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- **Site Needs & Use:** The rain delayed the roof caulking and elastomeric coating to be done by Doug's Painting.
- **Bylaws/Elections:** No new business.
- **Negotiations:** No new business.
- **PORAC:** The annual PORAC Training Symposium will be held Apr 4-5 in San Diego. Scott, Shawn, Virg, Erik and James will attend on behalf of VCDSA. On Feb 12-13, Scott and Tony met with PORAC President Mike Durant and Treasurer Marcelo Blanco, and attended the PORAC Board of Directors meeting. So far, three candidates have announced their intention to run for president of PORAC in Nov 2017. The PORAC Board declined a request to contribute more PAC funds to help satisfy the \$500,000 debt incurred by the "Yes on Prop. 66" committee. Among the federal bills PORAC is supporting: SB 318 will provide additional funding for COPS; SB 139 will fast-track DNA evidence; HR 115 (The "Thin Blue Line Act") expand statutory aggravating factors in death penalty determinations to include killing or attempted killing of a peace officer, firefighter or other first responder; HR 426 will renew the ability of law enforcement to utilize military surplus equipment. Among the federal bills PORAC is opposing: HR 158 would create enhanced civil penalties for traffic stops conducted by plain-clothes officers or by unmarked police units when those stops result in serious injury or death of a person; SB 87 would prohibit a "sanctuary city" from receiving Economic Development grants.
- **Scholarship:** The 2017 VCDSA Scholarship Applications were sent to members by email and in the Rap Sheet and the completed applications must be returned by March 31.
- **Dept/Association Shoot & BBQ:** The Shoot Committee met prior to the Board meeting and began formal preparation for the 2017 Shoot, scheduled for Sep 23. The committee will meet again prior to the Board meeting on Wednesday, Mar 15, at 3:30 p.m.
- **Charity:** No new business.

OLD BUSINESS: Kasey Sirody began working with Rick on Feb 10 and she has had introductory meetings with a number of VCSO, County and vendor representatives.

NEW BUSINESS: The Board met in Executive Session to discuss legal issues.

In consideration of Vince DeMarco's 28 years of membership in VCDSA, motion by Tony Sanders, second by Virginia Tinoco, to award Vinny a VCDSA plaque and retirement bonus in the amount of \$1,400, passed unanimously.

In consideration of Barbara Payton's 33 years of membership in VCDSA, motion by Virginia Tinoco, second by Victor Flores, to award Barb a VCDSA plaque and retirement bonus of \$1,650, passed unanimously.

In light of the fact that a number of Board members are attending the PORAC Symposium on Apr 4-5, the consensus of the Board was to reschedule the Apr 5 Board meeting to Friday, Apr 7, 8:30 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m., without objection.

Respectfully submitted, Shawn Holzberger, Secretary.

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Political Action Committee Board Meeting of February 15, 2017

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Scott Peterson	Tony Sanders	Shawn Holzberger	James Espinoza	
Joe Mulrooney	Lee Armstrong	Virginia Tinoco		
Erik Roe	Bob Steele	Victor Flores		
Trina Newman	Jason Robarts	Kasey Sirody		
Rick Shimmel				

President Scott Peterson called the meeting to order at 5:13 p.m.

MINUTES: Motion by Joe Mulrooney, second by Virginia Tinoco, to approve the minutes of the Feb 1, 2017 Board meeting, without objection, passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Without objection, the Board accepted the financial reports.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: No new business.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Assemblymember Monique Limon has agreed to sponsor the legislation proposed by VCERA that would enable County employees hired by VCERA to transfer their accumulated leave banks rather than being forced to cash them out. This is a follow-up bill to AB 1291 (Williams), which was passed in 2015. Limon's office will file a "spot bill" by Feb 17 to hold a place for the new legislation and will work with VCERA's advocate to finalize the language.

The meeting adjourned at 5:16 p.m., without objection.

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Charitable Trust Meeting of February 15, 2017

Present			Absent	Guests
Scott Peterson	Tony Sanders	Shawn Holzberger	James Espinoza	Cecil Valenti
Joe Mulrooney	Lee Armstrong	Virginia Tinoco		
Erik Roe	Bob Steele	Victor Flores		
Trina Newman	Jason Robarts	Kasey Sirody		
Rick Shimmel				

President Scott Peterson called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

MINUTES: Motion by Joe Mulrooney, second by Virginia Tinoco, to approve the minutes of the Feb 1, 2017 Board meeting, without objection, passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Without objection, the Board accepted the financial reports.

REQUESTS FOR CONTRIBUTIONS: The Board reviewed the following requests for charitable contributions and acted on them in their capacity as the Trustees of the VCDSA Charitable Trust:

- Motion by Shawn Holzberger, second by Erik Roe, to donate \$1,250 to Simi Valley YMCA, passed unanimously.
- Motion by Tony Sanders, second by Joe Mulrooney, to donate \$200 to Fillmore Police Brotherhood golf fundraiser for charity, passed unanimously.
- Motion by Joe Mulrooney, second by Erik Roe, to donate \$200 to Fillmore Raiders Youth Football, passed unanimously.
- Motion by Leighton Armstrong, second by Shawn Holzberger, to sponsor a \$500 tile for the Concerns of Police Survivors capital campaign, passed unanimously.
- Motion by Tony Sanders, second by Trina Newman, to donate \$200 to Newbury Park High After-Prom, passed unanimously.
- Motion by Tony Sanders, second by Trina Newman, to donate \$200 to St. Baldrick's Foundation, passed unanimously.
- Motion by Tony Sanders, second by Virginia Tinoco, to donate \$250 to NLPOA Ventura County, passed unanimously.
- Motion by Leighton Armstrong, second by Bob Steele, to donate \$200 to the LAPD Memorial Ride for NLEOMF, passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS: On behalf of VCDSA, Virginia, Victor and Bob will attend the SCVB&G Club dinner/auction on Feb 18. Also on behalf of VCDSA, Jason and Bob will attend the Make-A-Wish "Wish Night" event on Mar 3. The Council office has requested that defunct BSA Troop 813 provide an accounting of its remaining funds and deliver the account documents to VCDSA by Feb 22.

NEW BUSINESS: The California Rural Crimes Prevention Task Force is seeking sponsors for its August meeting and they will ask the Sheriff's Foundation about co-sponsoring with VCDSA.

The meeting adjourned at 5:13 p.m., without objection.

Respectfully submitted, Shawn Holzberger, Secretary.

