



American Legion Auxiliary  
Department of California  
District 28

Minutes  
Executive Committee Meeting  
August 7, 2022

The District 28 Executive Committee meeting was called to order by President Esther Le Pore (69) at 9:02 AM on Sunday, August 7, 2022 in the Senior Center at Post 593. Several members attended via Zoom, as well.

Twelve officers, fifteen chairmen, six Past District Presidents (one excused) and five Unit presidents answered roll call.

**Secretary** Pro Tem Sherryl Panek (694) read a thank you card from the District 28 Honor Guard for our \$500 donation.

**Treasurer**, Sherryl Panek (694) gave the Income/Expense Report for May-June 2022. There were deposits totaled \$171.93 during this time, but Outstanding deposits were \$857.30. Cleared checks totaled \$1,372.26, outstanding checks were \$535.00 with the ending checkbook balance of \$11,358.47 on June 30, 2022. The Treasurer shared with the members the District 28 Program Budget Balance Report for 2021-22. The District Executive Committee received the first reading of the 2022-23 budget, which there was discussion to try and reduce the deficit by reviewing the Awards and reducing proposed amounts. Liz Doidge moved to budget for one user on ALAMIS for 'District View'. MSC. The second reading and final approval of the 2022 budget will take place at the September meeting. Projected General Fund Income is \$856.50 and Expenses are (\$679.00); projected Welfare Fund Income totals \$2,875.00 and Expenses are (\$3,075), leaving the District with a deficit of (879.00) for the new fiscal year.

**Audit Committee** will conduct the audit immediately after the District Executive Committee Meeting.

Members reviewed Code changes for the following programs, including **Girls State, Junior Activities, Membership, Poppy, Public Relations and VA&R**. All Code changes made in 2022 will be found on the Department website under Department Code 2022. During the Membership Code changes, Rebecca Glenny advised that Units are able to do the online transmittals or paper copies. She is willing to work with the Units who wish to do online membership. Connie Raya moved that District 28 submit the ALAMIS request for the membership chair to receive "District View access" and pay the \$10 fee. MSC. Every year the Unit Membership chairman must resubmit their registration to ALAMIS, which is when a different Membership chairman can be selected.

**Constitution, Bylaws and Standing Rules** were reviewed by Chairman Ruby Kapsalis (591) and she recommended we keep them as they stand.

**Membership** Rebecca Glenny (694) shared the 2023 goals with members, as follows:

| <b>UNIT</b>  | <b>2022 Goal</b> | <b>2023 GOAL</b>                  |
|--------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 031          | 158              | 183                               |
| 041          | 30               | 34                                |
| 069          | 32               | 41                                |
| 081          | 48               | 51                                |
| 121          | 25               | 17 (No increase due to surrender) |
| 512          | 46               | 46                                |
| 589          | 38               | 43                                |
| 591          | 103              | 99                                |
| 593          | 139              | 150                               |
| 694          | 166              | 172                               |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>785</b>       | <b>836</b>                        |

Rebecca reported the Department Commander Jere and First Lady Martha Romano are donating to all Legion Family members the chance to win a 2-bedroom, 7-day Cancun stay with flight credit to all those who pay their 2023 dues (and verified by ALAMIS) by September 14<sup>th</sup>. So, it is VERY important for all Unit membership chairs transmit all transmittals as soon as possible.

**President** Esther Le Pore (69) requested that Units schedule official visits. Below are the dates that were scheduled:

- U81 – Sept 1, Thur 6 PM (If other District members are planning to attend, rsvp to Sondra Castillo by 8/26/22)
- U41 – Oct 3, Mon 6 PM (If other District members are planning to attend, rsvp to Kimberly Stuhler by 9/26/22)
- U593 – Nov 3, Thur, 6:30 PM
- U512 – Nov 7, Mon, 5:30 PM
- U694 – Dec 8, Thur, 7 PM (discussion on President Esther combining Units as Liz did last year so President Esther will check with the other Units first to schedule).

The tentative District 28 meeting calendar is as follows:

- Sunday, Sept 18 – Post 593 9AM
- Sunday, Nov 20 – Unit 694 9AM (Posts will meet on Sat, Nov19 at Post 121 9AM)  
Sherryl Panek moved to change our Nov 19 meeting at Post 121 to Nov 20 at Post 694. MSC.
- Sunday, Jan 22 – Post 69 9AM (Liz Doidge will check on Dept Pres Official visit)
- Sunday, Mar 19 – Post 593 9AM
- Sunday, May 21 – Unit 81 9AM (Posts will meet at Post 635 at 9am the same day)  
Sherryl Panek moved to change Dist 28 Auxiliary location from Post 635 to Post 81. MSC.

- Friday, Oct 28 – Veteran of the Year, Blackhorse \$50/person
- Saturday, Oct 29 – Heroes Open Golf Tournament, Blackhorse.

Unit Audit Reports are due to District 28 President Esther by September 30, 2022. Once she has received ALL of the Unit Audits, she will forward them to Department. **Units do not send to Department directly.** Tax forms need to be submitted by all Units by **November 15, 2022.**

President Esther still has two vacant positions, Distinguished Guest Chair and two for the Audit Committee.

**AEF Chairman** Deniece Clay (694) asked to send around the “Station 28” collection bank that was made by Rebecca Glennly and \$100 was collected for the AEF donation.

**Unfinished Business:**

1. Karol Adams (31) will not be able to help with Project Hero, Oct 16-17, 2022, so Robin Falkenberg (512) is going to work with her and learn what needs to be done. Robin will also determine if we are needed to help in Santa Cruz or if the Elks is going to do it. District 28 would do Carmel.

**New Business:**

1. Fundraising ideas:
  - a. C&Y – Sondra is looking into a ‘Purple up’ T-shirt fundraiser
2. United Veterans Council (UVC) meetings are the last Wednesday each month at 6:30 pm at the Veterans Transition Center (VTC). Each District/Post/Unit can have up to 3 representative and each person pays \$20/person/year. If interested, contact Sid Williams, UVC Secretary for further information.
3. Rebecca Glennly (694) has been updating the District 28 Auxiliary website. Any updates can be sent to her. She has been sharing information from the Department website to the Auxiliary District page, but she is also asking other members to share their posts.
4. Saturday, Oct 29 – Heroes Open
  - a. Looking for volunteers to help
  - b. The UVC is asking for donations/raffle baskets
  - c. All monies are shared 50/50 – split between the Veterans Cemetery and the UVC
  - d. Contact Sid Williams if you want to help or make a donation

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 12:41PM

Sherryl Panek, Secretary Pro-Tem