



Los Angeles County Council

Executive Meeting

May 20, 2026

Bob Hope Patriotic Hall

1. Meeting called to order with ritual at 6:16pm by Vice Commander Palmero, with a quorum being declared.
2. Roll call of officers by LACC Adjutant
3. Introduction of distinguished guests by LACC Commander. PDC Crooks, PDC Van Kuran, Dept. Chaplain Cash.
4. Motion to dispense with the reading of the previous meeting minutes by Maldonado, 2nd by McDowell. Motion passed.
5. Reports:

A) Service Officer	Steve V. Ramirez
B) Adjutant	Scott Sinclair
C) Treasurer	Gil Soto
D) Judge Advocate	Hugh E. Crooks Jr.
E) Chaplain	Dave Whalen
F) Vice Commander for Women	Rosio Palmero
G) Vice Commander Area 4	George Aguilar
H) Vice Commander Area 6	Auggie Galaviz

District Commanders:

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| 1. District 17 | Alex Herrera |
| 2. District 18 | Sam Cafiero |
| 3. District 19 | Karl Wilvert |

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| 4. District 20 | Johnie McDowell |
| 5. District 23 | Gregory Tayler |
| 6. District 24 | Kevin Niles |

LACC Vice Commanders:

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| 1. District 17 | Stuart Chan |
| 2. District 18 | Irvin Flores |
| 3. District 19 | Fernando Gallardo |
| 4. District 20 | Larry Van Kuran |
| 5. District 23 | James A. Hadley |
| 6. District 24 | Melissa Orduna |

Executive Committee:

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| 1. District 17 | Johnny Harris |
| 2. District 18 | OPEN |
| 3. District 19 | Angelo Maldonado |
| 4. District 20 | OPEN |
| 5. District 23 | James H. Wilson |
| 6. District 24 | OPEN |

Commander Report: No report

Service Officer Report: Need to be careful about our personal information. Read an email that was a scam. Always check who the sender is. Currently have a drug and prostitution problem at West LA VA. We need to say something about the situation before it gets worse.

Adjutant: All reports will be posted on the LACC website. Dept Ways and Means Committee meeting will be 5/27. Dept Finance Committee meeting for 26-27 budget on 5/28.

Treasurer Report: No report

Judge Advocate: No report.

Chaplain: No report

Vice Commander for women: Attended D24 meeting, Baseball Gala, Area 4 meeting, Area 5 meeting, 5/7 was national day of prayer, Will be speaking at Oakdale Ceremony on Memorial Day. Attended Jere Romano's memorial. Taught Sunday

School. 5/18 was the Chaplain meeting. Mt. St. Mary coffee event. Veteran Advisory Commission meeting.

District Commander Reports:

District 17 – No report

District 18 – Supervisor Barger Salute to Heroes at Arcadia Park on 5/23. Hospitality at Lamp Liter Inn at Convention. City of Pico Rivera having a purple heart event. Will attend Live Oak Cemetery on Memorial Day.

District 19 – No report

District 20 – No report

District 23- No report

District 24 – No report

LACC Vice Commanders:

District 17 – No report

District 18 – No report

District 19 – No report

District 20 – No report

District 23 – No report

District 24 - No report

LACC Executive Committee:

District 17 – No report

District 18 - No report

District 19 – Mystery Bus trip coming up. \$45. 5/30. Memorial Day ceremony with VFW. Fleet week is this weekend. D19 comedy night on June 6 at Norwalk Post 359. P.359 installation on 6/7 @ Noon. South Bay installation on 6/11.

District 20 - No report

District 23 – Held elections. Rebuilding the 23rd District. Attended the 4th Area recognition event.

District 24 - No report

Committee/Commissions:

Hall of Fame: Sam Cafiero :

Committee:

Districts 17 – Ozan Evans

District 18 – Dave Whalen

District 19 – Manny Vital

District 20 – Julio Jimenez

District 23 – Robert C. Brown

District 24 – Rosio Palmero

Membership: Manny Vital

Department is @ 92.14% and #43

Area 4 is @ 91.36% and #4

Area 6 is @ 92.99% and #2

District 17 is @ 91.47% and #13

District 18 is @ 90.51% and #18

District 19 is @ 91.44% and #14

District 20 is @ 90.44% and #19

District 23 is @ 90.38% and #20

District 24 is @ 98.93% and #2

District 16 is @ 91.08% and #17

Area 6 has 13 Posts that reached 100%

Area 4 has 11 Posts that reached 100%

Congratulations to all these Posts!

Let's continue to Renew our Membership.

Resolutions: Scott Sinclair

No report

Constitution & By Laws: Scott Sinclair

Personnel: Larry Van Kuran No report

LACC Website:

Website is up and running.

Old Business: Need for a LACC brochure for distribution at events. Dave Whalen will print them as long as we give history and current information. VSO's will create the flyer. Steve asked for permission to have a grant written to ask for money to replace the funds for the new VSO's. Possible vehicle raffle coming up.

New Business: None

Good of the Legion: Collected \$5 from Ozan.

Next meeting: June 5th @ Post 279 Temple City. Dinner \$10 Pastrami Sandwich Mac or Potato Salad.

No further business to come before the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:56pm by Vice Commander Palmero.

Respectfully submitted

Scott Sinclair

LACC Assistant Adjutant