



Sonora Branch No. 136

**Branch Executive Committee Meeting August 10, 2021 Minutes
In person meeting at Elks Club**

In Attendance:

BEC Officers: Big SIR Gene Zanoni, Acting Little SIR Paul Squeri, Secretary Bill Burnes, and Treasurer Eddie Toews.

Not Present: Assistant Secretary Dick Aberle and Assistant Treasurer Steve Aldridge.

Directors: Bob Morrison, Rex Page and Bill Guenza.

Not Present: Marty Martin and George Cocores.

Committee Chairmen: Bulletin Jim Botto, Car Club Rich Rinaldi, Pinochle Bob Morrison, RV Travel Eddie Toews SIR Item Sales Fred Kehr, and Wine Tasting Phil Van Swoll.

Not Present: Fishing Chuck Simons, Golf Danny Laureta, Internet Jerry Bellefeuille, Kayaking Sol Robin, Lunch Tickets Jerry Bellefeuille, Membership George Cocores, Photographer Steve Belochi, Propane Marty Martin, and RAMP Chairman Steve Aldridge.

Past Big SIRs: Phil Van Swoll, Dale Decker, Paul Squeri and Jim Botto.

Region 2 Director Dale Decker

Area 5 Governor: Paul Squeri.

Big SIR Gene Zanoni called the meeting to order at 10:10 am. He asked if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda. There were none, and the Agenda was approved as presented.

Secretary Bill Burnes took attendance and informed the board that a quorum was present.

Secretary's Report – The minutes of July 13, 2021 were approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer Eddie Toews presented the July 2021 Treasurer's Report. He reported that we had an ending checking account balance for July 2021 of \$13,908.72 and \$250.00 cash on hand. There were General Fund receipts during July of \$54.00 and there were disbursements of \$503.70. There were Custodial Fund receipts of 1763.00 and Custodial Fund disbursements of 1,274.00. The report was accepted as presented.

Big SIR Report – Gene Zanoni deferred his comments for New Business.

Acting Little SIR Report – There was no report.

Attendance/Membership Report – Gene Zanoni presented a combined Attendance/Membership Report and Form 27 Monthly Review Report for July. We started the month with 176 members, added 2 new members in July and lost 1 member. We ended the month with 177 members. The report was approved.

PROGRAM DIRECTOR REPORTS

RAMP Chairman – No report.

Recruitment – No report.

Activities Director – No report

Membership Relations & Growth – No report.

Publicity and Image- No report.

ACTIVITIES REPORTS – None.

Old Business – The BEC discussed the upcoming picnic scheduled for Sept 14. We need to have 100 members and their guests to attend. Jerry Bellefeuille will be sending out email reminders to members. The deadline for reserving (i.e. buying tickets) is Sept 6. Ticket sales are ongoing, but we only have 79 sales (89 as of August 26).

New Business:

1. We recognized Gene Bettancourt as Little SIR for the rest of 2021.
2. We recognized the resignations of Chris Methot as Director and Rich Rinaldi as Car Club Chairman.
3. We recognized Mike Coe as new Bowling Chairman.
4. Gene Zanoni announced 3 new Directors for 2022. They are Rick Bronner, Stan Enos, and Ray Starkey.
5. Fred Kehr discussed the slow sales of SIR items, and he passed out a listing of merchandise inventory which showed we had many items on hand. The BEC discussed possible ways to sell this inventory. A motion was made by Eddie Toews and seconded by Gene Zanoni to put out hats for free at the next meeting. The motion was passed by the BEC. A motion was made by Gene Zanoni and seconded by Bill Burnes to put out other merchandise at the next meeting with reduced prices, to be set by Fred Kehr. The motion was passed by the BEC. Paul Squeri will talk with other branches to centralize ordering items in order to reduce shipping charges.

6. The BEC recognized upcoming bowling tournaments: August 25 & 26 2021 in Grass Valley, CA and September 21 & 22 2021 in Carson City, NV.

Meeting adjourned at 10:46 am.

Next BEC meeting – September 14, 2021 at 10 am at the Elks Lodge if we have to cancel our picnic, otherwise October 12, 2021 prior to our monthly luncheon meeting.

Bill Burnes
August 28, 2021