

SONS IN RETIREMENT
SONORA Branch 136
Branch Executive Committee Meeting
July 9, 2013 Minutes

In Attendance:

BEC Board Members: Big Sir Phil Van Swoll, Little SIR John Bristow, Secretary Jim Johnson, Asst. Secretary Jerry Bellefeuille, and Treasurer Frank Taylor. **Directors:** Herman Eaton, Jerry Erath, Keith Kofoed, Bob Gelber and Dale Decker.

Committee Chairman: Attendance/Membership Dale Decker, Bowling Bert Abreo, Bulletin/Internet Jerry Bellefeuille, Chaplin Paul Bullman, Fishing Jim Nuzum, Golf Jeff Phillips, RV Travel Jim Botto, SIR Items Sales Cecil Steen, Travel Will Reich, and Pinochle Bob Morrison.

Past Big SIRs: Jim Nuzum, Bill Dunlevy, Will Reich, Don Banchemo, and Baci Frecceri.

Area 27 Governor Ed Nissen

Big SIR Phil Van Swoll called the meeting to order at 10:04am. A quorum was present.

Secretary - Secretary Jim Johnson presented the minutes, which were previously distributed to the BEC, of the June 11, 2013 BEC Meeting. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Keith Kofoed and seconded by Jerry Erath . The motion was passed by the BEC.

Treasurer – Treasurer Frank Taylor presented the Treasurers Report for June, 2013 which showed a monthly ending checking balance of \$3,334.52 and \$200.00 cash on hand. A motion to approve the Treasurers Report was made by Jerry Erath and seconded by Keith Kofoed. The motion was passed by the BEC.

Little SIR – The Branch 136 August 13, 2013 Picnic/BBQ will be held at the Railtown 1897 State Historic Park and he needs help planning and working the event.

Attendance/Membership – Attendance/Membership Chairman Dale Decker, presented the July Attendance/Membership Report and stated our membership numbers are going in the wrong direction. There are three new applicants proposed for membership: Richard Milano (sponsor Danny Laureta #036), Frank Myers (sponsor Danny Laureta #036) and John Howsden (sponsor Baci Frecceri). One Applicant is ready for installation on September 9. The current membership stands at 231- active and 11-inactive members. A motion was made by Jerry

Erath and seconded by Keith Kofoed to approve the Attendance/Membership Report . The motion was passed by the BEC.

Nominating Committee – Big SIR Phil VanSwoll read the Branch 136 Nominating Committees Report for 2014. Committee Members are Past Big SIRs Al Limon, Dusty Rhodes and Bill Dunlavy. The Committee recommends the following Officers for 2014:

Big SIR: John Bristow
Little SIR: Jim Johnson
Secretary: Dale Decker
Asst. Secretary: Jerry Bellefeuille
Treasurer: Frank Taylor
Asst. Treasurer: Gerald Abbot

Directors – First Year

Jake Parsons
Angelo Costanza
Mariano Garces

Directors – Second Year

Maurice Rollins
Bert Maxwell
Bob Gelber

A motion to approve the Nominating Committee's recommendations was made by Jerry Erath and seconded by Keith Kofoed. The motion was passed by the BEC. The 2014 slate of officers will be presented to the general membership for election at today's luncheon meeting.

Bulletin/Internet – Jerry Bellefeuille, Bulletin/Internet Chairman reported an updated membership clause will be included in the August Bulletin.

Chaplin – Paul Bullman reported on the sick members.

Bowling – Bert Abreo reported there are three upcoming tournaments, Reno, Napa and Yuba City. The SIR Branch 136 Bowling Tournament will be at Black Oak Casino Bowling facilities on August 5 & 6.

Travel – Rich Lundin, new Branch 136 Travel Chairman, reported he will issue a survey to the members to determine interests for the 2014 travel events.

RV Travel – Jim Botto, new Branch 136 Assistant RV Travel Chairman, reported the group attended an outing in June to Bettabell RV Park in San Juan Bautista. The group has planned a 14-day outing to Oregon starting September 16. The October outing will be at the 49er RV Park in Plymouth followed by an outing at the Gilroy Garlic USA RV Park in November.

Golf – Jeff Phillips reported Danny Laureta will be the new Branch 136 Golf Chairman starting January, 2014. There is a scramble style tournament scheduled for July 30 at Mtn. Springs.

Fishing – Nothing to Report

Internet – Nothing to Report

SIR Merchandise – Cecil Steen reported SIR Merchandise sales are slow.

Pinochle – Bob Morrison reported the group was averaging 11 to 14 players at each of the events.

Bridge – No Report

New Business: It was suggested to donate 2-hats and 2-Branch 136 SIR shirts to the August picnic. The motion to approve the suggestion was made by Herman Eaton and seconded by Jerry Erath. The motion was approved by the BEC.

The next Branch BEC Board Meeting will be on Monday, August 13 at 10:00am.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:50am

Minutes prepared by Branch 136 Secretary
Jim Johnson August 10, 2013

