



Sonora Branch No. 136

Branch Executive Committee Meeting June 14, 2016 Minutes

In Attendance:

BEC Officers: Big SIR Dale Decker, Little SIR Danny Laureta, Secretary Jerry Bellefeuille, Treasurer Eddie Toews, Assistant Secretary Phil VanSwoll and Assistant Treasurer Frank Taylor.

Not Present: None

Directors: Jim Botto, Dick Aberle, Paul Squeri, Bill Lobdell, Monty Youngborg, and Rex Page

Not Present: Jeff Phillips

Committee Chairmen: Membership Bill Lobdell, Bowling Bert Abreo, RV Travel Knute Kleinen, Bulletin Jim Botto, Internet Jerry Bellefeuille, Member Relations Paul Squeri, Pinochle Bob Morrison, Luncheon Rick Bacon, SIR Item Sales Cecil Steen, Theater Monty Youngborg.

Not Present: Chaplin Steve Gregory, Fishing Chuck Simons, Photographer Steve Belochi, Golf Paul Padavana, Public Relations Ray Bailey, House Jerry Erath, Senior Member Awards Jim Johnson, Honorary Life Membership Al Limon.

Past Big SIRs: Phil VanSwoll, and Bill Dunlavy.

Big Sir Dale Decker called the meeting to order at 10:05 am.

Secretary Jerry Bellefeuille took roll call and informed the board that a quorum was present.

Big SIR- Dale Decker asked for additions or changes to the agenda, none were presented.

Dale Decker announced that due to lack of input the member classified ads were discontinued until further notice.

Dale reminded everyone that this weekend is the Fathers Day Fly In at Columbia airport. There will be many interesting planes on hand.

Dale announced that we would have a car show at the September or October meeting. There are at least 12 members interested in showing their cars.

Dale introduced Richard Anderson from Branch 172. Richard proposed a dancing and karaoke night at the Elks Lodge for all 3 mother lode branches. The event will take place on September 16th, 2016 from 7pm to 10:30pm. The theme for the event will be The Fabulous 50s.

Little SIR – Danny Laureta reported the final figures for the Ladies Day Luncheon. The total cost was \$5482.25.

The flyer for the August BBQ Picnic at Indigeny Reserve was left out of the bulletin. Danny said he would send it to Jim Botto to put into the June bulletin retroactively.

Danny also announced that our guest speaker for this meeting would be Debbie Schug. She is the Program Manager of the Area 12 Agency on Aging of Tuolumne County.

Secretary's Report – Secretary Jerry Bellefeuille presented the minutes of the April 12, 2016 BEC Meeting for approval. Eddie Toews made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Rex Page and was passed by the BEC.

Jerry also presented the May meeting minute's notice that was distributed to the BEC. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Phil VanSwoll and seconded by Jim Botto. The motion was passed by the BEC.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer, Eddie Toews presented the April Treasurers report. He reported that we had an ending balance for April of \$9707.88 and \$250 cash on hand. A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Paul Squeri and seconded by Monty Youngborg . The motion was passed by the BEC.

Eddie also presented the May Treasurers Report. Eddie said that we ended the month with \$6734.04 with \$250 cash on hand. A motion to approve the report was made by Jim Botto and seconded by Danny Laureta. The motion was passed by the BEC.

Attendance/Membership Report – Bill Lobdell reported that we have 6 new applicants that have been submitted for approval. They are Gene Zanoni (transferred from Branch 77), Bill Boatman, Larry Matteson, Steve Huff, Nicholas Chernoff and Stanley Enos. All but Chernoff and Enos will be installed today. We had one member pass away, Bill Challas. We also had one member resign, Jon Whited. A motion to

approve the membership report and the new members was made by Jim Botto and seconded by Paul Squeri. The motion was passed by the BEC.

Form 27 Report- Dale Decker reported that our year-end membership goal is 223 members and we now have 211 members (1 resigned and 1 passed away but we will be installing 4 new members today). This means we are currently down by 12 members from our goal.

We have 4 members who we have not been able to contact regarding paying their 2016 dues. It was agreed by the BEC that these 4 members will be sent termination letters in the mail within the next month. A motion was made by Phil VanSwoll and seconded by Paul Squeri to approve the termination letters. The motion was passed by the BEC.

PROGRAM DIRECTOR REPORTS

Membership Growth - Rex Page reported that he and others handed out promotional materials at the recent Friends and Neighbors [magazine] Expo (formerly the Senior Expo).

He will also hand out materials at the October Health Fair in Sonora.

Member Relations - Paul Squeri reported that he is handing out member interest surveys in place of luncheon tickets at today's meeting.

Activities - Jeff Phillips was not present.

Dinner/ Theater- Monty Youngborg reported that the Theater Group will see the play Serrano next. It was suggested by some that the group see the play Beehive.

Public Relations - Ray Bailey was not at the meeting.

Bulletin Report - Jim Botto thanked all directors who sent in their bulletin reports on time. He encouraged Big Sir Dale Decker to get his reports in earlier. He also reminded everyone that reports that are sent in using Times New Roman 10 make his job much easier.

ACTIVITIES REPORTS Bowling - Bert Abreo reported that the bowling league would start up on September 12th. Our branch tournament will be on August 29th and 30th at Black Oak Casino. Other upcoming SIR tournaments include Paradise on June 21st and 22nd, Yuba City on July 11th and 12th, Pollock Pines on July 23rd, 24th and 25th, Reno August 15th, 16th and 17th.

Bert is working on a coed bowling event. A coed tournament is tentatively scheduled for July 21st. So far very little interest has been shown for this event.

The bowling report was entered into the branch permanent records.

Chaplain- Bill Dunlavey reported that Dick Young's wife Nancy has passed away, and one of our senior members Bill Challas has passed away.

Fishing- It was reported for Chuck Simons that the fishing group would meet this Thursday at Moccasin Marina at 7am. After the event they will meet in Jamestown at the Woods Creek restaurant for breakfast.

Golf - Paul Padavana reported that he 'polled' his players and only one indicated that he might be interested in a coed golf outing.

House – no report, position is OPEN

Internet - Jerry Bellefeuille reported that we have paid the yearly fee of \$14.99 for our website domain name.

Luncheon Drawing – Bill Dunlavy reported that we will have a drawing today.

Pinochle - Bob Morrison reported that they had an average of 11 players last month for Pinochle.

Propane – Marty Martin had nothing new to report.

RV Travel - Knute Kleinen reported that they would go to Gilroy this weekend.

The RV group has amended their bylaws to state that you must attend at least 3 outings per year to stay in the group and host at least one of the outings in a 12 month period.

SIR Merchandise – No report

Old Business

Nominees were accepted for next year's Area Governor. A motion was made to by Jim Botto and seconded by Eddie Toews to nominate Jim Johnson as the 2016 Area Governor. The motion was passed by the BEC.

Phil VanSwoll announced that they would have the slate of 2017 officer nominees at the next meeting.

New Business

Dale Decker asked for a replacement for Jerry Erath as House Director. No one volunteered.

Next BEC Meeting – July12, 2016 10:00am Sonora Elks Lodge

Meeting adjourned at 10:57 am.

Minutes prepared by Branch 136 Secretary Jerry Bellefeuille on June 21st 2016.