



Sonora Branch No. 136

Branch Executive Committee Meeting March 12, 2019 Minutes

In Attendance:

BEC Officers: Big SIR Jim Botto, Little SIR Gene Zanoni, Assistant Secretary Dick Aberle, and Treasurer Eddie Toews.

Not Present: Secretary Bill Burnes, Assistant Treasurer Steve Aldridge.

Directors: Larry Matteson, Serge Peluso, Bill Guenza, Steve Huff, Marty Martin

Not Present: John Moyer

Committee Chairmen: Activities, Bill Lobdell, Bulletin Steve Huff, RV Travel Eddie Toews, Car Club Rich Rinaldi, Pinochle Bob Morrison, Propane, Marty Martin, Chaplin Steve Gregory,

Not Present: Bowling Bert Abreo, Fishing Chuck Simons, Golf, Paul Padvana Photographer, Steve Belochi, Internet, Jerry Bellefeuille, Media Exchange and Kayaking, Sol Robins, Lunch Tickets, Roger Swartz, Lunch, Tom Niederer, Book Exchange, Jim Rodrigues, Poker, George Parsons, SIR Item Sales, Fred Kehr.

Past Big SIRs: Dale Decker, Phil Van Swoll

Area 5 Governor: Dale Decker.

Big SIR Jim Botto called the meeting to order at 10:15 am.

Assistant Secretary Dick Aberle took attendance and informed the board that a quorum was present.

Secretary's Report Assistant Secretary Dick Aberle presented the February minutes.

There were no corrections, and the minutes were approved by the BEC.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer, Eddie Toews presented the February Treasurer's report. He reported that we had an ending balance for February of 13,394.66 and \$250 cash on hand.

A motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Bill Lobdell and Marty Martin. The motion was passed by the BEC.

Big SIR – Big SIR Jim Botto reported that there are four on the RAMP Committee. They are Recruitment, Larry Matteson, Activities Director, Bill Lobdell, Membership Growth, Phil Bayless, Publicity, John Moyer. He announced he would serve as RAMP Chairman.

At the request of the state SIR, we will look into getting more co-ed activities.

We have been instructions on how to file our raffle activities with the IRS and State to avoid getting a fine. He has completed the necessary forms and sent them and our \$20 fee to Sacramento. We should receive our raffle license soon.

Little SIR – Gene reported that Special Events Committee members are: Dick Aberle, Mike Baumgartner, Chris Metho, and Vieira. The Committee for Guest Speakers is: Blair Abbott, Jim Rodrigues, and Gene Zanoni. Four new members join this month, Rick Bronner, Robert Stevenson, Ernest Boire, and Salvador Scialabba. The guest speaker for March is Kristi Conforti. We only got 12 Activities to Consider forms last month, so we will do it again this month and supply pencils.

Gene passed out a budget for the Ladies' Day Luncheon. It showed a price increase of \$3 from \$25 to \$28. After much discussion, the BEC voted to keep the ticket price at \$25. This motion was made by Larry Matteson, and seconded by Marty Martin.

Activities Reports – Tom Turner resigned from Luncheon Drawing. Tom Niederer remains in this activity. Phil Van Swoll announced there would be a wine tasting event in late May or early June, combined with the Car Club at the Fairgrounds.

RV Travel - Eddie Toews assed out a tentative RV travel schedule for 2019.

Old Business – The BEC voted to send out the propane letter which was approved last month to all SIR members.

New Business- The BEC voted unanimously to require attendance at 4 meetings out of 9 for a rolling 12 months.

Friends and Neighbors Expo – there will be no charge for us to have a booth.

Next BEC Meeting – April 9, 2019, 10:00 am Sonora Elks Lodge.

Minutes prepared by Branch 136 Secretary
Bill Burnes from notes taken by Dick Aberle
March 29, 2019.

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 am.