

# SIR Branch 103 BEC July Minutes

By Director Dick Nelson (First Draft)

**Attending:** Paul Bender, Juan Salinas, Ted Bracht, Brian Donahue, Dave Cooper, Dennis Imhoff, Dick Nelson, Roger Smith

**Committee Representatives:** Bob Kredit-Thursdays Golf, Gary Del Nero- Sunshine

**Absentees:** (absences are created a problem.): Don Rowe-Sec., Ray Tillery-Assist Sec, Kerry Newman-Director, Lance Underwood-Director

There was confusion about number required for quorum. We had 8 voting members present. Did not conduct any business, but proceeded to discuss several issues without voting.

**Call to order:** Paul Bender 7:30

**Items discussed:**

1. Minutes dated May 24 need to reflect correct date : June 28, 2024
2. Discussion of letter sent out by Branches 84 and 110(Chico) addressing proposed changes by State to logos, mission , change of by-laws to include gender neutrality, and reorganization as non profit under provisions of Internal Revenue Code&501(c)3.
3. Paul Bender brought up that some people had asked about the possibility of merger with Branch 144. Background of this was discussed. Members of the two BEC's met last August 15, 2023. The two groups discussed some of the strengths, weaknesses, common problems they had. 144 decided later that they wanted to stay independent. One year later, due to declining luncheon attendance, and membership, the question of merger is being raised.

**Adjournment:** 8:20 AM

Respectfully submitted,  
Dick Nelson