



**SIR BIDWELL BRANCH 110**  
**SIR Region 1 – Area 1**  
**Branch Executive Committee Meeting**  
Manzanita Place, Chico, CA 95926

**MINUTES OF MAY 19, 2025 BEC MEETING**

With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Big Sir Don Sturt at 9:30 AM.

**Officers and Directors Present:** Officers: Don Sturt, Bob Dinger, Charles Staser, Rocky Rockwell, Ken Edson. Directors: Mike Nicholas, Joe Navarro, Randy Benson, Mike Gross, Dave Jones.

**Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of the April 28, 2025 meeting were approved as distributed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Charles Staser reported that the April 28, 2025 balance was \$5672.99, and the May 19, 2025 balance is \$5720.78.

**Big Sir Report:** Big Sir Don Sturt reported that no Little Sir candidate has yet been identified for 2026.

**RAMP Committees:**

- *Attendance:* Rich Olsen reported that 76 members (56 %) attended the April 28, 2025 meeting.

- *Membership:* Sam Smith reported that there are two new applicants for membership this month: Mike O'Malley and Scott Brogden. A motion to accept both applicants was made, seconded, and passed.

- *Program Committee:* Randy Benson reported that today's program is a presentation about the Concrete Industry Management Program at Chico State. He summarized the schedule of the previously approved programs for June, July, September, and November. Program plans for August and October are in the works.

- *Publicity:* No report.

**BEC Committees:**

- *Data Base/Roster:* No report.

- *Nominations:* Big Sir Don Sturt reported that Rich Utter has agreed to be nominated for treasurer in 2026 and Dana Davis has agreed to be nominated as a director.

- *Rooster's Tale*: Big Sir Don Sturt reported that the deadline for submissions for the June 2025 issue is June 5.

- *Webmaster*: Ron Braziel reported on the updates to the Branch website.

**Activity Committee Reports:** The following committees were reported on. If a committee is not listed, either the chairman (or other representative) was not present, or there was no information to report.

**ABV 110:** Jim Braziel reported that the May 1, 2025 wine tasting that had been planned at Jim Braziel's house will take place on May 22, 2025 at 2:00 PM, hosted by Carol Braziel. Ten Cabernet Sauvignon wines will be tasted.

**Bowling:** Randy Benson reported that weekly bowling will take the summer off and begin again in the Fall.

**Bridge:** Bob Dinger reported that there were two bridge sessions in the past month and Bob Dinger was the winner once.

**Golf:** Darrell Hands reported that a tournament was held on May 5 at Plumas Lake golf course and there were 37 players. A tournament was held on May 15 at Bailey Creek golf course with 28 players. The next tournament will be held on June 9 at Table Mountain golf course.

**Hiking:** Rich Utter reported that a hike is planned for Paynes Creek Point on May 20.

**Pickleball:** Randy Benson reported that eight players played last Thursday. The group meets every Thursday at 10:00 AM, weather permitting.

**Pinochle:** Joe Navarro reported that the next game is scheduled for May 28 at Butte Creek Country Club.

**Piscatology:** Dana Davis reported that a three-day fishing trip to Antelope Lake is planned for May 28 through May 30.

**Woodworking:** Craig Lindquist reported that he and two other members met and continued to work on plaque frames for the Enloe Cancer Center.

### **Old Business:**

**Membership Attendance Requirement:** Big Sir Don Sturt reported that letters were sent out to members who have not recently attended meetings and have not paid the \$25 ABCD fee. Four members have not responded to the letter. Four BEC members volunteered to personally contact the four members. Another 19 members have not yet paid the ABC fee. For these members, no decision was made about the next step.

**New Business:**

**Alcohol at Luncheon Meetings:** Big Sir Don Sturt reported that he has been approached by members who wondered why alcoholic drinks were not available at the luncheon meeting. During a discussion of the advantages and disadvantages of alcohol, it emerged that the cost of opening and manning the Elks Club bar was substantial, in addition to other possible problems. Big Sir Don Sturt agreed to talk to the Elks Club management about their latest policies and costs for opening the bar.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:10 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Bob Dinger

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