



MINUTES

SIR Branch 129 Executive Committee Meeting

May 2, 2024 – 11:00 A.M.

Regular Meeting In-Person Redding Elks

BEC MEMBERS:

Big Sir: Lee Lamp; Little Sir: Morgan Akin; Treasurer: Rix Callaway; Assistant Treasurer: Ken Timmerman; Secretary: Cris Andrews; Assistant Secretary: Gerry Dodge

Directors (4): Sid Nobles, Barrie Lee, Chuck Spafford, Dennis Compomizzo

Call to Order: The Regular Branch Executive Committee (BEC) Meeting was held at the Redding Elks during the Members Meeting and was called to order at 11:02 A.M. by Big Sir Lee Lamp. A quorum (requires 5 BEC members) was decided by Secretary Andrews. All Officers and all Directors were present except Morgan Akin who was excused. Many Members were in attendance.

Welcome Guests and Visitors:

Big Sir welcomed officers, directors, committee chairmen, regular members and guests.

Consent Agenda Approval (Lee Lamp):

Big Sir Lamp asked for a motion to approve the “Consent Agenda.”

Motion made by Gerry Dodge and seconded by Sid Nobles to accept the “Consent Agenda” as presented including approving the Minutes of April 4, 2024; the Secretary’s Correspondence Report; and the Treasurer’s Report (Form 28). The motion passed unanimously.

For the purposes of this meeting with many regular members present Big Sir Lamp asked the Secretary and the Treasurer to give their reports that were approved in the Consent Agenda.

Little Sir’s Report (Morgan Akin):

Instead of a speaker for the May meeting, the BEC Meeting is being held at the general membership meeting at 11:00AM for the purpose of showing what the BEC does. Director of Membership

Orientation, Barrie Lee would normally have the previous quarter's new members attend the regular BEC Meeting, but by having the BEC meet at the General Membership luncheon, his orientation process is conducted.

Little Sir Akin previously said Josh Barker will be the speaker at the June meeting.

The members were asked to suggest speakers to Little Sir Akin.

Big Sir's Report (Lee Lamp):

Update on State SIR Issues:

Big Sir Lamp reported that President Dale Decker is ill but able to resume some of his duties as State SIR President. Big Sir Lamp as State SIR Vice-President has been helping as Acting-President. Big Sir Lamp will attend a State SIR Board meeting March 6, 2024, in the Bay Area.

The concern at the State level is that Branches aren't increasing their membership and that some of the Branches aren't fulfilling their reporting requirements.

One positive is that the State SIR insurance policy cost is down \$2,700 this year.

Our Branch continues to grow at one to two members a month but at the same time we lose existing members at about the same rate.

Update on Advertisements & Publicity for Branch 129:

Big Sir Lamp said he still intends to contact a few radio stations about making public service announcements about our branch and had asked Dennis Compomizzo to help him set these up. To date they have not been able to do this.

Big Sir talked about SIR Branch events such as attending the Colt 45's baseball games that he has selected three dates for members to attend as a group. The dates are in the Newsletter. Events such as this encourage comradery and build friendships.

Old Business

Report on Annual Dues Collection & Delinquent Members (Rix Callaway):

Treasurer Callaway reported that all of the 86 members have paid their \$40 dues to date or have indicated they would pay.

Report on Delinquent Members Removed from the Membership Roster (Lee Lamp):

At the April 4, 2023, BEC meeting a motion was passed that delinquent members should be dropped from membership if the 2024 membership dues were not paid by May 1st or the member indicated that they would pay dues to keep their membership.

Every effort has been made to make sure that the Branch doesn't inadvertently drop a member who intends to remain a member and pay their dues.

Other Old Business:

None.

New Business:

Purchase SIR Business Cards for Members to Use to Recruit New Members (Lee Lamp):

Big Sir Lamp reported that Membership Chairman Phil Perry suggested that the Branch print business cards that could be used by members to give to potential new members. The cards would have our Branch 129 information and SIR Logo and how to apply for membership and/or find out information at our website. The cost would be nominal and paid by the Branch.

Big Sir Lamp asked for a show of hands by members who help distribute the cards to potential new members. A strong majority showed they would use the cards.

After some discussion it was the consensus to go ahead with purchasing cards to be available at the June meeting.

Other New Business or Suggestions:

None.

Attendance/Membership (Phil Perry/Tom Ward):

The “Branch Membership Status Report” was sent to all BEC members as produced by Phil Perry and Tom Ward, the Attendance Co-Chairmen. They reported for April 2024, that we had 86 active members at the end of April. We had 51 members and 1 guest at the April luncheon.

Motion made by Dennis Compomizzo and seconded by Chuck Spafford to accept the Branch Membership Status Report as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

There were two new applications for membership to consider: Timothy Holmquist and Greg Deptuch.

Motion made by Rix Callaway and seconded by Barrie Lee to approve the membership applications of Timothy Holmquist and Greg Deptuch as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Activity and Publicity: (Open):

No report.

Marketing (RAMP) (Open):

No report.

Facilities (Chuck Spafford):

Facilities Director Spafford reported we will have pasta with meat sauce, bread, & salad today.

Chuck continues to work with Claudia to improve the Lunches.

9-Hole Golf (Bob Goetz):

Schedule is in the Newsletter. Next event is on May 21st.

18-Hole Golf (Lee Lamp):

Schedule is in the Newsletter. Outings are subject to weather conditions. Next event is at Tierra Oaks.

Bocce (Dennis Compomizzo):

Dennis Compomizzo, Director of Activities, announced that the first Bocce game would be held May 3rd at 10:00AM at South City Park off Grape Street. He has sent out two emails to all members. He encouraged members to bring their wife or significant other as Bocce is conducive to co-ed play.

Computer (Open):

No meetings.

Dine Out (Open):

Dine Out cancelled until further notice.

Lunch Bunch (Duane Nelson):

Duane Nelson announced that the next outing is May15, 2024, at Good Times Pizza in Palo Cedro. He encouraged members that had stories to tell to share those stories at the luncheon.

Directory/Newsletter /Database/ (Lee Lamp):

Send articles for Newsletter to Lee Lamp.

Web Site (Bob Goetz):

Bob Goetz is working to update the Web Site. Big Sir Lamp indicated that the goal is to have an on-line membership application that can be filled out on-line and sent to those who need to see it such as the Membership Chairmen, Big Sir, the Membership Orientation Director, and the Secretary. This would speed up the process and avoid printing copies.

Fishing (Morgan Akin):

No report.

Walking and Observation (Open):

NASCAR/INDYCAR Racing (Barrie Lee):

Anyone interested call Barrie Lee for information on future meetings and racing news. NASCAR news has been in the Newsletter. Barrie will continue to give updates on current racing news. Barrie brought photos from his past racing experiences that because of time constraints, he was only briefly able to discuss.

Money Matters Group (Open):

Nominating (Cris Andrews):

A slate of Officers and Directors for 2025 will be presented at the July BEC meeting for Board approval to be brought to the General Membership Meeting in August for a vote.

Special Awards (Lee Lamp):

No Report.

Sunshine (Len Napoli):

Len reported on members who are sick or otherwise need cheer. He has sent appropriate cards. Len continues reporting in the Newsletter and doing an excellent job spreading cheer and representing Branch 129. Len is also the librarian for the book collection lending library.

Len asked if any member knows of a member in need of cheer to let him know so can send a card from Branch 129.

Closing Remarks and Other Items for the Good of the Order:

Big SIR thanked everyone for attending and without objection from the members adjourned the BEC Meeting at 12:08 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted By

Cris Andrews, Branch 129 Secretary