



# MINUTES

## SIR Branch 129 Executive Committee Meeting

November 7, 2024 – 9:30 A.M.

### Regular Meeting Held at Redding Elks

#### **BEC MEMBERS:**

**President: Lee Lamp; Vice-President: 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 and was called to order at 9:26 A.M. by President Lee Lamp. A quorum (requires 5 BEC members) was present. All Officers and all Directors were present except Dennis Compomizzo and Ken Timmerman who were excused.

New Members Don Streetman and Steve Fox and Committee Chairmen and members Dick Fyten, Jerry Sanchez, Jim McMahan, Joe Beck and Len Napoli were in attendance.

#### **Welcome Guests and Visitors:**

The President welcomed officers, directors, committee chairmen, and new and regular members.

#### **Consent Agenda Approval (Lee Lamp):**

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

**Motion made by Sid Nobles and seconded by Barrie Lee to accept the “Consent Agenda” as presented including approving the Minutes of October 3, 2024; the Secretary’s Correspondence Report; and the Treasurer’s Report (Form 28). The motion passed unanimously.**

#### **Vice-President’s Report (Morgan Akin):**

VP Morgan Akin said that Norm Hall from Simpson College and the College’s football coach will be the speaker at today’s luncheon talking about their new football program.

VP Akin said he is still looking for a speaker for January 2025. A suggestion was made that he contact the new Chief of Police for the City of Anderson as a possible speaker.

### **President's Report (Lee Lamp):**

#### *Update on State SIR Issues:*

President Lamp reported that there will be a Leadership Workshop via Zoom on November 8<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM until Noon. He encouraged BEC Officers and other Branch leaders to attend.

He also reported that he asked Chuck Spafford to obtain a recent insurance certificate from Claudia, our food provider at the Elks. Chuck asked President Lamp to contact Claudia concerning this as he was finding it difficult to contact her and he had to leave before lunch today.

### **Old Business**

#### *Christmas Party & Ticket Sales Report: (Dick Fyten/Barrie Lee/Rix Callaway)*

Dick Fyten, Rix Callaway and Barrie Lee met with Carol and Jim from the Sons & Daughters of Italy (SDI) on October 24, 2025, at 2:00PM. Carol forgot to bring the contract for Barrie's signature. They accepted a \$200 deposit written by Treasurer Callaway. The additional \$100 for the bar fee was not paid at this time and can be paid closer to the event date. Barrie reported that the SDI will get the contract to Director Dennis Compomizzo, a member of both SDI and SIR Branch 129, so that it can be signed at the November 7<sup>th</sup> BEC meeting and returned to SDI. President Lamp has the contract and will sign it, return it to SDI, and keep a copy for the Secretary.

Rix Callaway reported that 28 tickets have sold to date and expects more sales at today's luncheon. President Lamp has been sending reminders out to the members. The goal is to sell at least 75 tickets.

#### *Update on Recent Advertising & Publicity (Lee Lamp, Barrie Lee, Cris Andrews):*

It was reported that recent activity by Jim McMahan and Jerry Sanchez to recruit new members by attending various community functions, has resulted in a number of new member applications.

Barrie Lee reported that he has been working with Jerry Sanchez to produce the "2025 Membership Directory". The goal is to include, for the first time, a color photo of each member with the member's information. Jerry Sanchez has taken head-shot photos of more than half of the membership and continues to take photos. Barrie said he hopes to have the Directory printed in January and available for distribution at the February Luncheon.

Cris Andrews reported that a number of members stopped by the SIR booth at the local Farmer's Market at the Redding City Hall parking lot in October. The booth was set up by Jerry Sanchez and Jim McMahan with help from Steve Irey. Barrie Lee had 300 more brochures printed and provided 100 brochures for the men at the booth to hand out.

#### *Other Old Business:*

None.

## **New Business:**

### *Appoint Jim McMahan to Chair “Publicity”: (Lee Lamp)*

President Lamp reported that Jim McMahan has been highly active promoting our Branch by attending various community events. Because of his interest and skills at this, President Lamp has appointed him Chairman of our Publicity Committee. Jim accepted this position that has been vacant for some time and President-Elect Barrie Lee indicated he wants Jim to stay on in this position for 2025. The consensus was that Jim is the right man for the job. Since this is a Presidential appointment, the BEC does not need to confirm.

### *Appoint Jerry Sanchez to Chair “Marketing”: (Lee Lamp)*

President Lamp reported that Jerry Sanchez has been highly active along with Jim McMahan marketing our Branch and working with Barrie Lee to produce the 2025 Directory by taking photos of members. Because of his interest and skills, President Lamp has appointed Jerry Chairman of our Marketing Committee and Jerry has accepted this roll. President-Elect Barrie Lee said he wants Jerry to stay on in this position for 2025. The consensus was that Jerry is doing an excellent job. No action required by the BEC.

### *Adopt Budget & Set Dues for 2025: (Rix Callaway)*

Treasurer Callaway presented a budget and dues proposals for 2025 at the October BEC Meeting. At that time, he requested the BEC review the proposal and be prepared to vote on the budget and dues for 2025 at the November 7th meeting. The Budget Proposal prepared by Treasurer Callaway was attached to the October 3, 2024, BEC Minutes.

Secretary Andrews updated and consolidated the Treasurer’s worksheet to present three dues’ options. Assuming a minimum of 102 members the choices discussed were: A. \$40, the current dues amount for 2024, which would take the estimated year end 2025 balance down to \$1,580; B. \$50, which would take the estimated year end 2025 balance down to \$2,600; and C. \$60, which would take the estimated year end 2025 balance to \$3,620 which is approximately the 2024 ending balance.

Treasurer Callaway explained that keeping the dues at \$40 for 2025 would definitely reduce our year-end balance and not be prudent.

Director Barrie Lee said he favored the \$60 dues to maintain the current year end balance.

Others suggested that going from \$40 to \$60 was too large an increase in one year. Continued growth in membership will increase revenue and only slightly impact expenses; therefore, the \$50 dues option may result in a status quo year-end balance.

After further discussion, the following motion was made:

**Motion made by Chuck Spafford and seconded by Morgan Akin to adopt a budget that would require setting the 2025 dues at \$50 per member. The motion passed 6 “yes” and 1 “no”. (“Yes”: Akin, Callaway, Andrews, Dodge, Nobles, & Spafford and “No”: Lee)**

President Lamp reminded the BEC that the Branch Policy is that members are expected to pay their annual dues during the first several months of the calendar year. And more importantly new members during the first six months pay a full year's dues, and new members that join between June 1<sup>st</sup> and August 31<sup>st</sup> pay one-half annual dues, and new member joining between September 1 and the end of December pay no dues until January.

President Lamp thanked Treasurer Callaway for preparing the budget and dues scenarios.

*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 Membership and Attendance Co-Chairmen. They reported that we had 98 active members at the end of October. We had 51 members and 1 guest at the October luncheon.

**Motion made by Rix Callaway and seconded by Sid Nobles to accept the Branch Membership Status Report as presented. The motion passed unanimously.**

There were four applications for membership to consider at the BEC Meeting: Phillip C. Rubalcava, Don Streetman, Steve Fox, and James Griggs.

**Motion made by Sid Nobles and seconded by Barrie Lee to approve the membership applications as presented. The motion passed unanimously.**

The four new members will pay no dues for 2024.

### **Publicity: (Jim McMahan):**

Already reported.

Jim McMahan however suggested that some men residing at the Veteran's Home and elsewhere might join if they had a ride to and from the monthly luncheon. He wondered if the concept of "Members helping Members" might be something to look into. President Lamp said he would mention this during the luncheon to see if some members were able and willing to participate in providing rides to fellow members.

### **Marketing (Jerry Sanchez):**

Working hard to photograph (head shot) all members for the 2025 Directory. He is attending many community events representing Branch 129. His efforts, along with Jim McMahan, have been successful in spreading the word about the benefits of belonging to SIR.

### **Facilities (Chuck Spafford):**

Facilities Director Spafford reported we will have lasagna and salad. Chuck continues to work with Claudia to improve the Lunches.

### **9-Hole Golf (Bob Goetz):**

Schedule is in the Newsletter. The last event was on November 6th at Churn Creek.

### **18-Hole Golf (Lee Lamp):**

Schedule is in the Newsletter. Next event is at Tierra Oaks on November 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:30AM.

### **Bocce (Dennis Compomizzo):**

Upcoming games will be announced by email.

### **Computer (Open):**

No meetings.

### **Dine Out (Open):**

Dine Out cancelled until further notice.

### **Lunch Bunch (Duane Nelson):**

Duane Nelson announced in the Newsletter that the next outing is, November 20, 2024, at Good Times Pizza in Palo Cedro.

### **Directory/Newsletter /Database/ (Lee Lamp):**

Send articles for Newsletter to Lee Lamp.

### **Web Site (Bob Goetz):**

Bob Goetz continues to maintain the Web Site. The website has 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, and the Secretary. This speeds up the process and avoids printing copies. Bob also posts the BEC Minutes.

### **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 at the luncheon.

### **Money Matters Group (Open):**

**Nominating (Cris Andrews):**

No Report.

**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:**

President Lee Lamp thanked everyone for attending and without objection from the members adjourned the BEC Meeting at 10:31 A.M.

**Respectfully Submitted By**

**Cris Andrews, Branch 129 Secretary**