



MINUTES

SIR Branch 129 Executive Committee Meeting

January 2, 2025 – 9:15 A.M.

Regular Meeting at Redding Elks Lodge

BEC MEMBERS:

President: Barrie Lee; Vice-President: Morgan Akin; Treasurer: Rix Callaway; Assistant Treasurer: Ken Timmerman; Secretary: Cris Andrews; Assistant Secretary: Gerry Dodge

Directors (4): Sid Nobles, Chuck Spafford, Dennis Compomizzo, David Yorton

Call to Order: The Regular Branch Executive Committee (BEC) Meeting held at the Redding Elks was called to order at 9:13 A.M. by President Barrie Lee. A quorum (requires 5 BEC members) was determined by Secretary Andrews. All Officers and all Directors were present except Morgan Akin who was excused. Member and Past President Lee Lamp also attended.

Welcome Guests and Visitors:

President Lee welcomed officers, directors, committee chairmen and/or guests.

Oath of Office (Barrie Lee): Asst. Treasurer Ken Timmerman and Asst. Secretary Gerry Dodge were sworn in by President Lee. All other officers and directors were sworn in at the December 11, 2024, Christmas Party and Installation of Officers and Directors.

Consent Agenda Approval (Barrie Lee):

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

Motion made by Sid Nobles and seconded by Chuck Spafford to accept the “Consent Agenda” as presented including accepting the Minutes of November 7, 2024; the Secretary’s

Correspondence Report; and the Treasurer's Report (Form 28). The motion passed unanimously.

2025 Annual Dues/Authorize Bill Paying 2025 (Rix Callaway, Treasurer):

Treasurer Callaway explained that he would start collecting the 2025 annual dues of \$50 per member which was approved at the November 7, 2024, BEC meeting.

A discussion followed concerning the annual authorization for the Treasurer to pay routine and recurring bills for 2025 and all other bills under \$201.

Motion made by Gerry Dodge and seconded by Dennis Compomizzo to authorize the Treasurer to pay routine and/or recurring bills for 2025 and all other bills under \$201. The motion passed unanimously.

Secretary Andrews reported that the Assistant Treasurer Ken Timmerman and President Barrie Lee need to be added to the signature card at Mechanic's Bank and Mike Hurley and Lee Lamp need to be removed. Treasurer Callaway will arrange a meeting with the bank to update the signers.

Vice-President's Report (Morgan Akin):

Vice-President Akin was absent. The speaker for today is Redding Police Chief Barner.

President's Report (Barrie Lee):

Appoint Audit Committee to Audit FYE 2024:

President Lee explained that every year an Audit Committee must audit the records kept by the Treasurer and submit a Form 29 "Branch Audit Report". The Audit Committee will meet with Treasurer Rix Callaway and Lee Lamp the 18-Hole Golf Chairman to complete the audit and complete Form 29. Form 29 will be presented to the BEC at the February 6, 2025, BEC meeting. The Secretary will keep the original Form 29 and make sure copies go to the Treasurer and appropriate State SIR officer by February 10, 2024. President Lee appointed Sid Nobles to Chair with Dennis Compomizzo and Chuck Spafford filling out the Audit Committee (the Committee will set a time and place to conduct the audit).

Appoint Nominating Chairman for 2025:

President Lee appointed Cris Andrews to be the Nominating Chairman for 2025. Lee Lamp volunteered to serve on the Nominating Committee.

Appoint Committee and Activity Chairmen for 2025:

President Lee said all current chairmen have agreed to stay in place. He will continue to look for members to fill “Open” positions.

Motion made by Rix Callaway and seconded by Gerry Dodge to certify the Chair appointments made by President Lee. The motion passed unanimously.

Authorize Treasurer to Pay Sons & Daughters of Italy \$250 Appreciation Gift:

President Lee explained that Branch 129 should consider expending a one-time thank-you gift to the Sons & Daughters of Italy for their many years of support of our branch including the annual Christmas Luncheon and the use of the Bocce Courts and equipment. President Lee plans to reimburse Branch 129 and have a plaque made. This will also serve as an advertisement for our Branch as it will hang in their meeting room.

Motion made by Dennis Compomizzo and seconded by Sid Nobles to authorize the Treasurer to pay Sons and Daughters of Italy a donation of \$250 in appreciation for their support of Branch 129. The motion passed unanimously.

Receive \$250 Donation from Barrie Lee to Cover Appreciation Gift:

President Lee said he wanted to cover the cost of the appreciation award and will donate \$250 to Branch 129 and he will pay for the plaque.

Motion made by Sid Nobles and seconded by Ken Timmerman to authorize the Treasurer to accept the \$250 donation from Barrie Lee to cover the cost of the Sons and Daughters of Italy appreciation gift of \$250. The motion passed unanimously.

Update on the 2025 Membership Directory:

President Lee reported that Jerry Sanchez has taken or acquired head-shot color photos of all the members and now Lee Lamp is proofing the data and the 2025 Membership Directory will be going to print and should be available for distribution at the February 6, 2025, Luncheon. President Lee thanked Jerry Sanchez for an outstanding job in getting this done. Secretary Andrews and Past President Lee Lamp assisted with the editing for this project.

President Lee reported on the marketing issues and the concerns expressed by some of the members. Ken Timmerman stated that the BEC didn't do a good job of defining the marketing objectives. President Lee said he has worked to resolve the issues.

Old Business

Christmas Luncheon 2024 Review:

Rix Callaway reported that 85 tickets were sold and he paid for 88 dinners including Pat Karch the piano player. Dick Fyten's Christmas Program was a success. The festive program was at each place setting. It was the consensus that the food was good and everyone seemed to have an enjoyable time. Lee Lamp handed out "Certificates of Appreciation" to members who have contributed to Branch 129. The BEC presented Lee Lamp with a plaque for his many years of service and the general membership also presented a plaque for his service.

Update on Recent Publicity, Advertising, & Recruitment:

President Lee said he had already covered this under his report.

Update on State SIR Issues (Lee Lamp):

State SIR Vice-President Lee Lamp reported on issues at the state SIR level.

Other Old Business:

None.

New Business:

Authorize President Lee to Approve or Disapprove Recruiting Events for 2025:

Last year the BEC authorized President Lamp to be the decision maker on committing Branch 129 to participate in certain community events. The purpose was so that our Publicity and Marketing Chairmen would have someone to authorize participation in community events where the branch would have to spend money and commit members to help man a booth. Also, since many events required application in a timely fashion the President should have the authority to commit the branch without waiting for the next BEC meeting. Discussion followed as to extending the same authority to the 2025 President Barrie Lee.

Motion made by Gerry Dodge and seconded by Sid Nobles to authorize the 2025 President, Barrie Lee, to approve or disapprove "Recruiting Events" for 2025. The motion passed unanimously.

Approve Branch 129 Activities for 2025 (Barrie Lee):

President Lee reported that annually the BEC must approve the schedule of Activities for Branch 129. The activities schedule to be approved for 2025 are: 18-Hole Golf, 9-Hole Golf, Bocce, Computer, Breakfast Gang, Dine Out, Lunch Bunch, Trail Walking, NASCAR & Indy Car Racing Group, Colt 45 Games, and Money Matters.

After some discussion, the following motion was made:

Motion made by Sid Nobles and seconded by David Yorton to approve the above listed Branch 129 Scheduled Activities for 2025. The motion passed unanimously.

Any new activities started during the year will be approved by the BEC before the activity begins.

Set Goals for Branch 129 for 2025:

President Lee said it was extremely important for our Branch to continue to grow. Because of time constraints further discussion about branch goals was postponed.

President Lee thanked the BEC their help during the past year and thanked Past President Lamp for his leadership and help during his term and will call on him to help this coming year.

Consider Meeting Location Change (Chuck Spafford):

President Lee said that it was always good to keep our options open to find the best meeting location for our branch. He recognized Chuck Spafford who has expressed concerns about our lunches and encouraged him to explore other possibilities for meeting. Discussion followed concerning the costs to change venues and past efforts to find alternative locations. The consensus was that the Elks continues to meet our needs but that our branch should always strive to provide a quality venue for our members.

Other New Business:

None.

Attendance/Membership (Phil Perry/Tom Ward):

The “Branch Membership Status Report” was sent to the State SIR by Phil Perry and Tom Ward, the Attendance Co-Chairmen. They reported for December 2024, that we had 103 active members at the end of December.

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

There was one application for membership to consider: Mitchell Crowe was sponsored by Jack McAuliffe.

Motion made by Dennis Compomizzo and seconded by Gerry Dodge to accept the Membership Application as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Publicity: (Jim McMahan):

No report.

Marketing (Open):

No report.

Facilities (Chuck Spafford):

No report.

9-Hole Golf (Bob Goetz):

Schedule is in the Newsletter. Nothing until Spring.

18-Hole Golf (Lee Lamp):

Schedule is in the Newsletter.

Bocce (Dennis Compomizzo):

No games until after the rainy season.

Computer (Open):

No meetings.

Dine Out (Open):

Dine Out cancelled until further notice.

Lunch Bunch (Duane Nelson):

Lee Lamp announced that the next outing is January 15, 2025, at Good Times Pizza.

Directory/Newsletter /Database/ (Lee Lamp):

Send articles for Newsletter to Lee Lamp.

Web Site (Bob Goetz):

Bob Goetz continues to update the Web Site.

Fishing (Morgan Akin):

President Lee said that at this time there is no interest in continuing the fishing group.

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.

Money Matters Group (Open):

Nominating (Cris Andrews):

No report. All BEC positions filled for 2025!!

Special Awards (Lee Lamp):

No Report.

Sunshine (Len Napoli):

Len was absent but has 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.

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

President Lee 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