



MINUTES

SIR Branch 129 Executive Committee Meeting

June 12, 2025 – 9:30 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 (5): Sid Nobles, Dennis Compomizzo, David Yorton, Lee Lamp, (Vacant)

Call to Order: The Regular Branch Executive Committee (BEC) Meeting held at the Redding Elks Lodge was called to order at 9:30 A.M. by President Barrie Lee. A quorum (requires 6 BEC members) was determined by Secretary Andrews. All Officers and all Directors were present except David Yorton, Sid Nobles who were excused. Also in attendance: Dick Fyten and Don Arnold. Len Napoli came in near the end of the meeting.

Welcome Guests and Visitors:

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

Consent Agenda Approval (Barrie Lee):

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

Motion made by Gerry Dodge and seconded by Lee Lamp to accept the “Consent Agenda” as presented including accepting the Minutes of May 1, 2025; the Secretary’s Correspondence Report; and the Treasurer’s Report (Form 28). The motion passed unanimously.

Vice-President's Report (Morgan Akin):

Vice-President Akin reported the speaker for today is a spokesperson for Redding Area Bus Authority (RABA).

Dark in July. And for August the speaker will be Scott Morris of Up-State Hearing Instruments.

VP Akin is still looking for speakers for September, October, and November.

President's Report (Barrie Lee):

Appoint 5th Director to Fill 2025 Open Spot:

President Lee explained the history of having 5 Directors and dropping back to 4 Directors and then reinstating the original 5 Director positions. He reported that he wants to appoint Don Arnold to fill the 5th Director vacancy. Nominating Chairman Andrews said member Don Arnold agreed to volunteer for the position for 2026 and his name is now on the Slate of Officers and Directors for 2026 to be presented and voted on by the BEC. Without objection President Lee appointed Don Arnold to the 5th Director position and administered the oath of office. The BEC welcomed Don Arnold.

Announce July Meeting Dark:

President Lee reminded the BEC that because the July meeting falls on July 3rd Branch 129 will hold no BEC meeting or Luncheon in July. These changes will be announced to the membership and will be noted in the Newsletter.

Director and Facilities Chairman, Sid Nobles, will let Claudia and the Elks know that we won't be meeting in July (*Note: The Elks and Claudia may already have been notified that we aren't meeting in July*)

Old Business

Update on Publicity, Advertising, & Recruitment (Jim McMahon/Barrie Lee):

President Lee emphasized that Jim McMahon would continue leading the effort to participate in community events with the President's oversight. President Lee and Jim McMahon will look for venues that are appropriate for our branch, which are reasonably cost effective, and where we have enough volunteers to work a booth. In addition, President Lee said that SIR Branch 129's participation in appropriate venues would generally be limited to 3 hours (the exception would be if enough volunteers were available for a longer participation). President Lee said we have gotten off to a slow start this year because Jim McMahon has had some medical issue to deal with.

Update on State SIR Issues (Lee Lamp):

Branch 129 Director and State SIR Vice-President Lee Lamp reported on State SIR issues. He said the State Board is reviewing the State Policy manual in order to revise it. Policy 20 has been rewritten to allow more latitude for branches to deal with non-member participants.

Lee Lamp announced he has resigned from the State SIR Vice-President position and won't be the State SIR President next year. He explained that he resigned for personal reasons but will remain active as a Director on Branch 129's BEC and will continue to chair the 18-Hole Golf Group and publish the Newsletter and maintain the branch database.

Lee also reported that the ID and password for the "members" area of the State SIR Website has been changed and the President (Big Sir) for each branch will determine who has access to the new ID and password. The old password is effective until the end of June. President Barrie Lee said he will make sure that any member wanting access to the member area will get the ID and Password. *(More to come on how to make this known to our members.)*

Report on Dues Paid to Date (Rix Callaway):

Treasurer Callaway reported that 98 members have paid their annual \$50 dues.

At the May 1st meeting President Lee suggested that we don't drop any unpaid members until the June 12th meeting.

Treasurer Callaway explained we dropped 3 members from the database and membership roster. President Barrie Lee thanked the Treasurer and said no further action was necessary.

Other Old Business:

None.

New Business:

Consider Approving Slate of Officers & Directors for 2026 (Cris Andrews):

Nominating Chairman Andrews presented the Slate of Officers and Directors for 2026 for the approval on the BEC. He explained that once approved the Slate would be published in the July and August Newsletters and would be presented to the general members at the August 7th Luncheon for a vote of the members present. He explained that nominations can also be made from the floor for any position up for election. After some discussion, the following motion was made:

Motion made by Gerry Dodge and seconded by Rix Callaway to approve the 2026 Slate of Officers and Directors as presented by the Nominating Chairman, to be published in the Newsletter, and presented for election at the August 7th Luncheon. The motion passed unanimously.

President Lee thanked the Nominating Chair for putting the Slate together.

New Member Certificate of Membership Process (Barrie Lee):

President Lee discussed the “Certificate of Membership” for new members crafted after the example on the State SIR website. Currently Phil Perry sends new members their badge number, a history of SIR, and the most current Newsletter.

President Lee said he would talk to Phil Perry concerning how best to get a “Certificate of Membership” to new members. The “Certificate of Membership” could be presented to the new member at the luncheon when the new member is introduced and asked to give a short bio or if the new member doesn’t attend the first luncheon after becoming a member, the certificate could be included with the information that Phil Perry currently sends out to the new members. President Lee will report back on how the process will work.

Other New Business or Suggestions:

None.

Attendance/Membership (Phil Perry/Tom Ward):

The “Branch Membership Status Report” was sent to the State SIR and all BEC members by Phil Perry and Tom Ward, the Attendance Co-Chairmen. They reported for May 2025 that we had 98 active members at the end of May.

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

There were no new applications for membership to consider.

Publicity: (Jim McMahan):

No report. President Barrie Lee reported under Old Business concerning publicity.

Marketing (Open):

No report.

Facilities (Sid Nobles):

The menu for today is pulled pork, salad, beans, mac-n-cheese, rolls, and desert.

9-Hole Golf (Bob Goetz):

Schedule is in the Newsletter. It was reported that Bob Goetz resigned as 9-Hole Golf Chairman for medical reasons. The 9-Hole Golf Group will need to find a new chairman.

18-Hole Golf (Lee Lamp):

Schedule is in the Newsletter.

Bocce (Dennis Compomizzo):

The next game is June 13, 2025, and will be announced at the luncheon.

Computer (Open):

No meetings.

Dine Out (Open):

Dine Out cancelled until further notice.

Lunch Bunch (Duane Nelson):

It was announced that the next outing is June 17, 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.

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):

The 2026 Slate of Officers and Directors is complete and was presented under New Business.

Special Awards (Lee Lamp):

No Report. It was suggested that we review the membership roster to see if any members are eligible for various longevity certificates.

Sunshine (Len Napoli):

Len reports on members who are sick or otherwise need cheer. He has sent appropriate cards. Len continues reporting in the Newsletter and is doing an excellent job spreading good-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 10:28 AM

Respectfully Submitted By

Cris Andrews, Branch 129 Secretary