SIR Branch 13 BEC meeting minutes, February 18th, 2020, Catta Verdera Country Club

Meeting called to order, 10:00AM

Attendees:

Big Sir Chet Winton, Little Sir Norb Pfeiffer, Little SIR Jim Mikacich, Secretary Leonard Kaufer, Ass't Secretary Bruce Herold, Speaker's Bureau Bob Hansen, Treasurer Jack Buffington, Link Editor Gerry Burstain, Mike Salli, Webmaster Wayne Merkle, Membership Chair Phil Sanderson, Database Manager Jay Southard, Director Jim Ripley

Sir Chet introduced Jim Ripley as a new BEC member and director.

Secretary's report: January's meeting minutes were approved.

Treasurer's report: Form 28 was submitted on time. \$4584.65 is the new balance which is higher because of dues, but there are also start-of-year expenses. Form 28s are to be sent to the BEC and the area governor, Kevin Mahoney.

Big Sir report: Sir Chet wanted to know if the BEC was experiencing any communications problems, since there are many new members. None were reported. Sir Jay is taking over the database from Sir Wayne. There will be a SIR town hall meeting in Yuba City on January 24th. SIR is doing an event on June 7th at the Oakland Coliseum: As vs Giants. There will be a luncheon announcement and notice in the newsletter.

Program Chair report: Sir Bob has the Director of Senior's First of Placer County for today's lunch.

Membership report: Two new members were approved by the BEC: Jim Fitzgerald and Bruce Parshall. The BEC also approved the removal of Larry Kinser and Remy Giannini, both at their request.

Database Report: Nothing to report.

Newsletter: Sir Gerry once again asked everyone for timely submissions, at least a week before the 1st of the month.

Webmaster Report: Site is up and running.

Attendance: New badges are here to replace the magnets which were problematic. Sir Norb created all of the badge inserts and placed them in the new badge holders.

Old business: About 58 members have paid their dues so far for 2020. Members have until today to pay. After that, any unpaid members will be contacted individually. After the March

luncheon dues go up to \$25. After June, unpaid members will be dropped, per previously approved protocol.

Sir Jay provided a printed roster sample, showing examples of possible paper stock. Sir Chet selected light blue as the color for the cover. With the samples shown and a hard copy proof, the cost will be about \$250. The cost is higher than before because the paper stock is heavier and there are fewer members per page because of the picture. The BEC formally authorized a maximum budget of \$300, \$125 of which is offset by sponsorship.

New Business: Catta Verdara is raising the cost of lunch from \$19 to \$20 effective March 1st and that price is guaranteed until June of 2021. Three initial options were proposed and then the subject was open for discussion.

- 1) Keep the lunch cost at \$20 which will place a drain on the bank account. Also increase annual dues to \$25 next year.
- 2) Change the 50-50 in some way to increase income. The branch's take is currently about \$30/month.
- 3) Solicit donations from restaurants of gift cards that are raffled off in addition to 50-50. Gift cards would be taken in exchange for advertisement in the newsletter as "sponsoring SIR activities for the month."

After discussion there was a motion from Sir Chet: Keep regular luncheon cost \$20. Change 50-50 raffle to 3 tickets for \$5 effective March 2020. Increase dues in 2021 to \$25. Motion carried with one dissenting vote.

Organization of the sign-in table is set.

Create a nominating committee for 2021 officers. Chet has suggested the Ralph Madsen will chair the committee to create a slate of candidates for the BEC June meeting. Bruce Herold volunteered to be on the committee. It will be up to Ralph to recruit additional committee members if needed.

Dining out: Sir Bruce Herold will continue to chair the Dining out committee. Jim Ripley and Leonard Kaufer volunteered to join the committee.

Meeting Adjourned: 11:01AM