



**LAKE OF THE PINES, BRANCH 170  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**August 2, 2017**

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**Officer Reports**

**Big SIR – Jim Goetsch**

The BEC monthly meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM.

A quorum was present.

The minutes of the previous BEC were approved.

Special guests today include Jerry Strain the SIR President, Bob Hegle the Area 2 Governor, Paul McDaniel, Branch 37 Big SIR, and Jack Meylink Branch 79 Big SIR.

Jerry Strain will present the HLM award to Larry Shelley at lunch today.

Jerry will also present Senior SIR awards to Chuck Mercer and Art Kusnick.

The sponsor of a new members will receive their free lunch the month after the person joins.

**Little SIR – Robert Chan**

The couples' lunch was held on July 21<sup>st</sup>, with a total of 111 signed up, plus the quartet guest. Four couples did not attend. It was a very successful event, with a lot of positive comments. We were charged for 110 lunches. There was a potential problem with people paying cash. Bob recommend that in the future we only accept checks. Bob also recommended that we have a photographer at all future SIR functions or events. There was discussion about doing it again next year. It was noted that the dinner buffet is the same cost as the lunch buffet.

Our lunch speaker today is Sean Bothelio, the LOP Operations Manager. His topic is "US Air Force Rescue in Support of Helmand Province Campaign in 2009".

**Secretary - Hal Hawthorne, Bob Cunningham**

The BEC attendance today was 18.

**Treasurer - Pat Graham , David Rosseau**

Our branch bank statements have been distributed to the executive committee.

**Membership - Phil Jones, Randy Friesen**

Current membership count is 155, including the two new members coming in today.

## **Committee Reports**

### **Blood Drive – Ron Trimble**

The next blood drive is August 13.

### **Bocce Ball – Dan Barbee, Phil Jones**

The Rooster I team has two more games to play. The Rooster II team has one more game to play. The Bocce end of season party will be held on September 23.

### **Christmas Dinner and Dance – John Brewer, Steve Michalak**

John wants to turn the event over to someone else.

We are planning to have the same music group as last year playing from 7:00 to 10:00.

There was discussion about the noise level in the club house during the entertainment.

John will not play the piano this year. John said he could get another piano and bass player for entertainment.

### **Clothes- Glen Delisle, Jim Goetsch**

Glen still has two shirts that have been pre-paid.

### **Fun Day – Glenn Delisle, Andy Ameigeiras**

A motion was made and passed to approve a not-to-exceed amount of \$500 for Fun Day prizes and expenses.

Final signup will be the lunch meeting on September 6.

Glenn will handle the putting contest. Andy will handle bocce ball.

### **Golf – Ron Wolyn, Chuck Mercer**

Branch 170 continues to make a good showing. Ron will present winners at lunch today.

### **LOP News – Duane Heaton, Phil Frank**

The article being currently written is for the September paper. Duane would like news and photographs.

### **RAMP – Ron Wolyn**

Robin Friesen has agreed to be the Assistant Secretary in 2018.

Ron discussed the importance of the new member sponsor to maintain contact for the first few months.

### **Sunshine/Health – Ron Trimble**

Ron will make several announcements at lunch today.

### **Travel - Terry Eberhardt , Dennis Camarlinghi**

A motion was made and passed to advance \$1,200 for the River Cats trip. \$250 is a refundable deposit. \$850 will be refunded by the fees paid by the members attending the event. This event

proved to be very popular and has been sold out. More events of this type will be proposed in the future.

**Webmaster – Hal Hawthorne**

The web site has been updated with the latest Senior SIR members, Chuck Mercer and Art Kusnick, and the Honorary Life Member, Larry Shelley. We should post photos of special members on the web site so new members can recognize them.

<http://branch170.sirinc2.org/personnel/bec+state.pdf>

**Wine Tasting - Terry Eberhardt, Dennis Camarlinghi**

The Naggair Winery tasting event was approved by the BEC. \$500 was advanced for use of the tasting room. The funds will be refunded from members attending the event. A member of Naggair wine club, Dave Rosseau, will attend. This may provide a discount for wine purchases. This event has been sold out.

Adjournment was at 10:55 AM.