

SIR Branch 5
Branch Executive Committee Meeting
Sept 25, 2024 - 10AM

1. Call to Order. 10:08 AM
2. A quorum of Board members was confirmed. In attendance were Gary Hornberger, Phil Yurtis , Dan Haley, Carl Orta, Howard Trudeau, Roy Dreisbach, Gerry Delisle, John Whittier
3. Motion made, seconded, and passed for Approval of Minutes of 8/28/2024 BEC meeting
4. Secretary Report – Phil Yurtis. No report.
5. Treasurer Report – Carl Orta for Pete LoPresto Bank balance is \$1889.52
6. Membership Report – Howard Trudeau. 33 members. We all must keep recruiting for new members.
7. Speaker Report – Carl Otta
Jon Haverman will speak at today’s lunch on Economics and Immigration. Carl has speakers booked thru this year..
8. State SIR annual meeting attended by Gary and Roy:
The attendees formed a committee to study options to make in the future.
Some subjects discussed will be:
Change corp charter from 501C4 to 501C3 to allow tax deductions on donations and provide option for women SIR members.
Insurance is the major cost for State SIR.
Hire paid Executive director.
Use professional advertising.

Howard will ask membership at lunch to consider becoming Branch 5 officers to relieve current long serving officers. Email to membership will explain role each officer performs.

Motion made, seconded, and passed for changing title of Big Sir and Little Sir to President and Vice President.

It is estimated that we will need 18 John Whittier custom pens created.

At Oct lunch Howard will hand out Holiday Party booklets. The Madrigal Singers will perform again and Howard will query "Whitney" of Michael's Grill about sharing half of room with another party to include Madrigal Singers.

9 Call for adjournment. 11:06 AM