

# Board Minutes

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## BRANCH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

### SIR ALMADEN BRANCH #94

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Three Flames Restaurant, 1530 Meridian Avenue,  
San Jose

Date: October 19, 2023

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- I. CALL TO ORDER by Big SIR Leo Pursley 10:00 AM
  - II. QUORUM PRESENT: Pursley, Ed Shpiel, Neil Keever, Paul Berg, Chris Monahan, Gary Levison, Rich Lordan, John Sargent, Ted Head, and Parker Willey. Absent: Mike Conley, Chuck McCoy. Guest Board Visitor: Bob Joyce
  - III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA. All present received an agenda. Approval Moved by Gary, Second Neil. Unanimous voice vote to approve.
    - a. OLD BUSINESS –MINUTES of the March Meeting were received and approved. Motion, Paul, Second Leo. Unanimous voice vote.
    - b. TREASURER’S REPORT Treasurer Levison reported all bills paid. Union Bank Balances plus Cash on Hand a total of \$3561.81. Motion of acceptance by Leo, Second Leo, unanimous approval voice vote. None opposed. Gary performed a year over year (YOY) analysis on spending. We are down YOY \$1265. Key factors are (Approximate figures); Lost Badges (\$200), Double Lunch Raffle winners (\$330), Picnic No-shows and expenses (\$170) and lower membership (higher dues payments last year of about \$700). Gary’s overall assessment that the drop in YOY funding is due to one-off events and not systemic, and that no draconian actions are required. All agreed.
    - c. We will hold a special meeting to audit the treasurer’s report. Those who will attend will be Leo, Gary, Rich, Ed, and Neil. Date and location to be determined.
    - d. Leo made an impassioned reminder that we all must be ambassadors to SIRs, to invite guests and to promote membership. We will print up a box of cards for members to carry and hand out next year.
    - e. LITTLE SIR Rich asked for Bulletin Board items. Leo will call Rich with Stump Removal contact info.
    - f. We will maintain third Thursdays for Luncheon. Leo will cover the Caller Coordinator Duties.
    - g. Gary will open dues payments for 2024 at this meeting during luncheon sign in.
    - h. Parker is continuing to manage the Sirs Phone Book. He’ll bring a draft copy in for members to review before going to print.
    - i. ACTIVITIES -
      - i. Leo to maintain contact with the Elks Lodge.

- ii. Chris has secured a choir for the Holiday luncheon entertainment. Chris also welcomes members who would volunteer to talk about their careers, or hobbies, or childhood, or whatever. The speaker this month will be Chris' wife who will talk about school scholarships. Chris has the next two speakers lined up. He will send promos before the next Newsletter goes out.

IV. Board Members

- a. We still need a Little Sir which remains open. Leo will make the pitch.

V. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Big Sir Leo and member Gary Cameron are still looking for a Pool Hall to activate that Activity.

VI. Adjournment was moved by Gary, seconded by Paul and approved unanimously at 10:55 AM.

Respectfully Submitted for Approval,

Chris Monahan, Secretary, Branch 94