



Contra Costa Branch 146
Minutes of the Branch Executive Committee Meeting
Boundary Oaks Golf Course

9:00 to 10:45 A.M. – LAKEVIEW ROOM – BOUNDARY OAK
August 13, 2015

BIG SIR

Big Sir Bill Holly called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m., greeting nine members of the BEC, seven committee chairmen, and three guests. A quorum was present. Bruce Borgman, Jim Barry and Ben Gleason were excused.

The minutes of the July 9, 2015 BEC meeting were approved as corrected for names misspelled.

BIG SIR'S REPORT (Bill Holly)

Reported on the annual State SIR Meeting at the Concord Hilton on August 3, 2015. The Elected Slate of Officers is attached to the minutes.

There will be officer training for new officers in October, for Region 6 date of training is October 5 from 9:00 am-3:00 pm. Training is offered for Big Sir, Little Sir, Secretary, Treasurer, and Membership Chairman .

Branch Activity and Administrative Chairmen vacancies: Will solicit at lunch for audit committee members. Frank Rockwell is only current member continuing. Two more are needed. Suggested staggered terms for audit committee to assure continuity. Bob Spellman will be picking up some of Travel Chairman Ken Richter's responsibilities, as Ken will require such assistance for a while. We will seek more people to participate on travel committee to assure continuity of that program in the future.

Candidates for next year's officers and directors will be nominated at today's luncheon, and election of officers and directors will be conducted at lunch.

LITTLE SIR'S REPORT (Walt Busenius)

Today's speaker is John Dwyer a graduate of Notre Dame as a chemical engineer, will talk about Hydraulic Fracking, Cure or Curse? Will present arguments both for and against fracking.

Only 13 No Shows at July's lunch. More members showed than we guaranteed for meals.

All no shows without excuse will be reimbursing us for meals.

September speaker will be Kit Oldman, Central Contra Costa Sanitation District, speaking about protecting public health and the environment.

October speaker will be Marnie Bronstein, who has written a book about a Christian couple that saved the lives of over 2,000 Jews during World War II and the Holocaust.

November Veteran's luncheon will feature Wayne Gorcinen, a retired history teacher, who gives a monologue portraying both Secretary of Defense Knox and Chief of Naval Operations Harold Stark during the Pearl Harbor attack.

In December we will have a ladies' quartet called La Di Da. Will cost \$300 to approve. Motion to approve expense by John Pearl, Second Brad Hatcher, carried.

Status of next year's luncheon venue, no change, we will be needing to meet at Concord Hilton from January through April next year due to construction at Boundary Oaks. Meetings will be third Monday January, February and March. Most likely April third Monday as well. Fish will likely not be a luncheon option during our time at the Hilton.

We have three people who are in arrears on lunch payment more than 3 months.

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Alan Elnick)

Form 20 due at the end of this month will be submitted subsequent to election of officers and by the 31st of this month.

TREASURER'S REPORT (Rob Melrose)

Form 28 & Monthly Treasurer's Report (attached)

Executive Session requested for discussion of a financial matter.

COMMITTEE CHAIRS REPORTS

ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR (Jerry Kaplan) Still at 43 activities.

BIOGRAPHIES (Paul Dubow) Absent but sent email report. Bill Holly reported from him that we now have 159 biographies. New members have been submitting biographies.

COMMUNICATIONS (Jeff Baily) Rich Hockenbrook reporting: Difficulty sending mass emails to membership. Working on solution to problem.

HONOREES (Dennis Hallett) No Report

LUNCHEON ATTENDANCE (Max Hinkle)

Guaranteed 208 meals, commitment from Boundary for 221. Only 53 notified to be excused.

MEMBERSHIP (Ben Gleason) Bill Holly reporting in absence of Ben Gleason

Three new members proposed for induction today:

Jim Edmunds/sponsored by

Lee Clark/sponsored by Jim Kohl

Mike Novone/sponsored by Loren DeLaurenti

With approval, membership will increase to 287 active members including seven Honorary Life Members.

Extend emeritus status to Dave Obera and Joe Suta, both have over 25 years and are charter members

Moved by Alan Elnick, Second Corrie Oranje to adopt recommendations of the membership chair and induct new members and provide emeritus status as requested. Carried.

MEMBER RELATIONS (Brad Hatcher) Emailed sponsors that role of sponsor is available on website.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE (Doug Eisner) Slate of proposed candidates in place for today's nominations and election.

PUBLICITY (Al Munayer) Absent No report

RECRUITMENT (Corrie Oranje) Reported four guests for today's meeting.

SUNSHINE (John Pearl) Report is distributed.

TRAVEL (Ken Richter) –
Moved by Ben Gleason, Second by Brad Hatcher to approve proposed travel activities. Carried.

WEBMASTER (Ron Plachy) Absent. Google analytics submitted.

REPORTS FROM OTHER CHAIRS

CHAIRMEN WISHING TIME ON TODAY'S LUNCHEON AGENDA? None

OLD BUSINESS

The following candidates will be proposed to the membership for election to the 2016 BEC at the August 2015 Branch 146 Meeting:

Big Sir	Walt Busenius
Little Sir	Alan Elnick
Secretary	Bruce Borgman
Asst. Secretary	Jonathan Korfhage
Treasurer	Jim Barry
Asst. Treasurer	Roy Hodgkinson
Director (2 nd Term)	Brad Hatcher
Director (2 nd Term)	Richard Hockenbrook
Director (2 nd Term)	Corrie Oranje
Director (2 nd Term)	Bob Spellman
Director (1 st Term)	Jerry Kaplan
Director (1 st Term)	Steve Sprague

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Jim Burke reported on the status of members receiving hard copies of the call because they are not computer users. or they wanted a hard copy. The number of subscribers is down to 4 non-computer users and 2 members who still wish a hard copy. It is a bit of a hardship to the branch to maintain this service. We will continue to strive to reduce the subscriber list so we will no longer need to provide this service.

NEXT MEETING:

September 10, 2015 at 9:00 A.M. in the Lakeview Room at the Boundary Oak

ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Executive Session was convened after all non-BEC left the room. No reportable action was taken in Executive Session. Session was adjourned at 11:00 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Alan Elnick, Branch Secretary

Attachments:

1. BEC Agenda with attachments
2. Attendance Roster
3. Treasurer's report and Form 28
4. Membership Report and Form 27
5. Luncheon Attendance Chairman's Report
6. Submitted Form 20
7. SIR Form 59 Baseball Hall of Fame
8. SIR Contract Form 50 Essence of the Elbe Grand Circle Travel
9. SIR Form 52 Financial Report for Baseball Hall of Fame
10. Branch Activities Report
11. Sunshine Report
12. Google Analytics