

SIR BRANCH 146 BEC MEETING MINUTES April 12, 2018

Officers:

CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME/QUORUM – Big Sir Bruce Borgman called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM sharp, welcomed those in attendance and the Secretary confirmed to him that there was a quorum present.

Minutes – The March, 2018 BEC minutes were approved. (ATTACHED)

Officer Reports

BIG SIR'S REPORT (Bruce Borgman)

The Quarterly report to the Area Governor and Region 5 Director were sent on April 5. The Q1 report indicates we have 9 new members toward our 30 new member goal.

The State annual meeting is scheduled for August 7-9 at the Thunder Valley Resort & Casino. Both Big and Little Sir are invited to attend along with spouses.

The report (Attached) of the sub-committee on attendance rules was read by Bruce. The conclusion is that Branch 146 will continue to abide by the minimum 5 out of 10 luncheon attendance rules. Regional Director Bill Holly indicated the rule regarding missing 3 luncheons in a row was deleted at the most recent quarterly State Board meeting (final vote to be decided at the annual meeting in August). He opined that it was highly likely to be approved. Rob Melrose has provided a preliminary list of those members who are not meeting the 5 out of 10 criteria. It is a list that contains over 70 names. It needs to be checked for accuracy as it includes Emeritus members and others who should not be on the list. Efforts to contact those in violation of the attendance rules will be coordinated by Big and Little Sir (and may possibly include other members of the BEC) in the calling effort. The effort is not meant to be punitive; but to remind those members of their obligation and to seek their input as to why they have missed meetings. It was suggested that a reminder be placed at the top of the next several SIR CALL issues to emphasize the requirement.

A discussion of reserving places at tables occurred. There were suggestions to limit the number of chair reservations per table and also set a time limit for the reservations.

Bruce reported that State Vice President had asked for volunteers for a SIRs booth at the Home and Garden Show – but it was cancelled

LITTLE SIR'S REPORT (Jonathan Korfhage)

Jonathan reported on his efforts on the Dinner Dance. His contact with the Rossmoor Branch indicated that the event could not be held there. The event will be timed to be close to Valentine's Day in 2019 and will likely be held at Boundary Oak. It will be open to other area branches to get more attendance. The decision of using a band or a DJ has not been made as costs are not yet clear.

Today's speaker is Hal Ramey - sports broadcaster.
Next month's speaker at the Ladies Day Luncheon is Doug McConnell (Bay Area Back Roads star and producer.
Jonathan spoke briefly on results of his contacts for no-show/no-call list.

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Brad Hatcher)

Brad reported on the Big Sir meeting held on March 26. The meeting was attended by approx. 90 Big Sirs. One of the slides presented was a segmentation of current 19 branches. 50% of the branches (31% of membership) have 34 to 96 members. 39% of the branches (46% of the membership) have 96 to 189 members, 13% of the branches (11% of the members) have 190 to 300+ members.

There was much time spent on the topic of insurance as it is the largest State budget item. It was made very clear that the policies are liability policies and are in place to protect the SIR organization – not its individual members (except the D & O policy covering BEC and State officers).

There was discussion about the State Annual Meeting in August and it was made clear that all events were not hosted by State. Thus, cost of food, hotel rooms, etc. were on the attendees.

Brad also commented on the event to be held on May 2 for publicity and member recruitment. Tony de Losada (Member Relations chair) of Branch 8 has arranged for a week of presentations for Non-Profits at the Capital One Café on Main Street in Walnut Creek (next door to the Apple Store). We will need volunteers to man the table from 9 AM to 4 PM. It is anticipated we will have hand-outs of the Branch 146 website, SIR CALL and Activities list. Brad will follow up in the coming days to gather volunteers.

Gary Schaub requested approval for the Travel to the Theater Party for “Wars of the Roses” at California Shakespeare Theater in Orinda on 9/6/18. It was approved.

TREASURER’S REPORT (Steve Ybarra)

Form 28 and the Monthly Treasurer’s Report presented and approved. (ATTACHED). Steve noted the \$468 amount in the Luncheon Summary of the Treasurers report for No-Show payments received.

COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS

ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR (Jerry Kaplan)

Jerry thanked editors of SIR CALL for publishing a picture of the attendees of the Activities breakfast. He indicated that only a small group of activity chairs had reviewed and submitted edits of their activity description for the Webpage. He is attempting to follow-up.

BIOGRAPHIES AND FISHING COORDINATOR (Paul Dubow)

Paul indicated we now have 207 bios and two more are in progress.

COMMUNICATIONS – SIR CALL (Richard Hockenbrock) - No Report

GREETER (Bob Lucido) No Report

HISTORIAN (Gary Brown) No Report

HONOREES (Doug Eisner)

Those being honored today are: Cass Buys and Bob Wedin – both for attaining Super Senior Sir Status.

LUNCHEON ATTENDANCE (Rob Melrose) (ATTACHED)

Luncheon attendance is expected to be 217. The food mix is 35% meat/65% fish for this luncheon. We have one guest and five new members.

The guest is Dimitrios Afretakis (sponsored by Ron Lew)

MEMBERSHIP (Dave Pierce)

Form 27 presented (ATTACHED)

New members are

Agnello Braganza (sponsor Joe Fuchs)

Byron Nelson (sponsor Bob Spellman)

Dave Svoboda (sponsor Dan Holland)

Jack O'Neil (sponsor Jim Pfohl)

George Radke (sponsor Jim Kohl)

Brian McCarthy (sponsor Bill Holly)

Herb Wilson (sponsor Russ Anderson) Will be inducted in June.

The above new members were approved by unanimous voice vote.

Dave indicated he now has a completed Membership Directory.

MEMBER RELATIONS (Pierre Mebane) No Report

NOMINATING COMMITTEE (Alan Elnick)

Alan will report in executive session on the nominating committee report on 2019 Board and Officers. See below.

PUBLICITY (Bob Mehus) No Report

RECRUITMENT (Bill Schultz) Mr. Schultz was not at the meeting due to travel.

SUNSHINE (Cal Tucker) Report (ATTACHED)

Sympathy cards were circulated to the Board and audience.

TRAVEL (Milt Smith).

Milt indicated he will be at the travel desk prior to the luncheon. Day at the races, Blue angels, Crystal Cruise in January 2019 are upcoming events.

E-COMMUNICATIONS & WEBMASTER (Ron Plachy) Report was E-mailed

REPORTS FROM OTHER CHAIRS N/A

CHAIRMEN WISHING TIME AT TODAY'S LUNCHEON

Jerry Kaplan, Milt Smith.

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

The possibility of reimbursing Big and Little Sir for some portion of their expenses in attending the State Annual Meeting was raised by Secretary Brad Hatcher. 2017 Treasurer opined that there was "room" in the 2018 budget for the possibility. Both Big and Little Sirs indicated it was not necessary. Brad will bring a formal proposal/motion to the BEC meeting in June on the subject.

NEXT MEETING

Thursday, June 14, 2018: 9:00 am at Boundary Oak Clubhouse. (Due to May being Ladies Day Luncheon)

ADJOURNED (at approx. 10:35 AM)

Executive Session

The Nominating Committee Chair, Alan Elnick, presented the 2019 slate of Officers and Directors.

The Honorees Committee presented their nomination for Honorary Life Member. The BEC considered the facts presented and, by unanimous vote, approved the recommendation of the Honorees Committee for Branch 146's next HLM nomination.

Respectfully Submitted: Brad Hatcher, Secretary

ATTACHMENTS

February 8, 2018 BEC Meeting Minutes
March 2018 BEC Meeting Attendance Roster
March Treasurer's Report
March Form 28
March Luncheon Manager's Report
Membership Report and Form 27 for March
March Sunshine Report
March Luncheon Agenda
March Sir Call (electronic)
Activity Chairman's Report on Activity Chair Breakfast
2017 History Summary
Branch 146 Activities List