



Contra Costa Branch 146
Minutes of the Branch Executive Committee Meeting
Boundary Oak Golf Course
June 9, 2016

BIG SIR (Walt Busenius)

Walt Busenius called the meeting to order at 9:00 am with 8 officers and directors present and 12 committee chairmen and guests.

The minutes of the April BEC meeting were approved.

BIG SIR'S REPORT (Walt Busenius)

- Today's Colorful Shirt Competition - happening
- Two anniversary awards from Honorees Committee will be presented today – Ken Kratz & Cornelius Buys
- Introduction of next year's officers and directors in the July Sir Call and at the July luncheon (Rule 131)
- July -- Evacuation Drill scheduled
- Activity and Administrative Chairmen vacancies for 2017 will be discussed by the Big & Little Sirs
- Report: State Sir Project 2016 – Building our Branches – Walt reviewed these documents -
 - State Sir Board is developing strategies to improve the organization at all levels. “The rising tide lifts all boats.” Walt and Dick DeVoe will continue to be involved as this project continues.
 - Many of the improvements being reviewed are already incorporated by our Branch.
 - It is hoped that Sir rules will become more flexible especially regarding membership.

LITTLE SIR REPORT (Alan Elnick)

- The speaker for today is Peter Bauer, Center for Medicare Services.
- Alan mentioned the luncheon no shows for the last 4 months are 18. Efforts are underway to collect luncheon fees from those individuals.
- July's speaker: Eric Ting, Artistic Director for the Shakespeare Theatre in Orinda.
- Embroidery & Moore will be here in August to sell SIR clothing.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY'S REPORT (Jonathan Korfhage) No report

TREASURER'S REPORT (Jim Barry) Written report submitted, approved and filed

COMMITTEE CHAIRS REPORTS

ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR (Jerry Kaplan) - No report

BIOGRAPHIES (Paul Dubow)

We currently have 178 biographies out of 283 members.

AREA FISHING (Paul Dubow) – No report

E-COMMUNICATIONS– SIR CALL (Richard Hockenbrock) – No report

GREETERS (Dick DeVoe)

Dick brought up the subject of appropriate decorum and good taste for anyone at the podium, or speaking to our group, or in our publications. It was decided by the BEC that the secretary will develop a set of guidelines on the subject including the topics of politics, sexuality, and general decorum for review and approval by the BEC.

HISTORIAN (Pete Gates) – No report

HONOREES (Doug Eisner) – Written report submitted

Doug elaborated on our two honored recipients for today as mentioned above.

LADIES DAY (Walt for Steve Dawkins and Steve Ybarra)

Walt commended the two chairs for an excellent job on this May's Ladies Day Luncheon. The event stayed within budget. Our speaker/performer received mixed reviews.

LUNCHEON ATTENDANCE (Max Hinkle) – Written report submitted

192 members were expected for lunch today. Max voiced hopes of finding new chair for this chore before the end of the year.

MEMBERSHIP (Ben Gleason) – Written report submitted

BEC approved new members: John Kelly, Kenneth Sihler, & Angelo Costanza

MEMBER RELATIONS (Brad Hatcher) – No report

NOMINATING COMMITTEE (Bill Holly)

Next year's nominees will be announced next month and the election will be at the August luncheon.

PUBLICITY (Jim Saavedra) Jim reported that there are new staff members at the East Bay Times; contacts for our announcements have been refreshed.

RECRUITMENT (Corrie Oranje)

There are nine guests today and three new members.

SUNSHINE REPORT (John Pearl) – Written report submitted

TRAVEL (Bob Spellman, interim) – Report on file

Bob introduced a new branch trip – Blue Angels excursion in October. BEC approved.

WEB MASTER & E COMMUNICATIONS (Ron Plachy)

The communication issues with Astound and G-mail have not been resolved but Richard and Ron are working on it. Updates have been made to the Golf Program. Now using I-Cloud account to send out e-mail blasts to membership.

REPORTS FROM OTHER CHAIRS - none

CHAIRMEN WISHING TIME ON TODAY'S LUNCHEON AGENDA

Bob Spellman, Doug Eisner, Verner Laursen, Walt Busenius

OLD BUSINESS

Bill Holly suggested that Bib Sir Walt ask the Boundary Oak management if there is any room to store our books for our Book Day.

NEW BUSINESS - None

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be at 9:00 A.M. Thursday, July 14, 2016 at Boundary Oak.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Korfhage
Assistant Branch Secretary

Attachments on file (contact the Secretary if you need copies:

1. BEC Agenda
2. Luncheon Agenda
3. Treasurer's report, Form 28
4. Membership Report, Gains and Losses and Form 27 (revised)
5. Luncheon Attendance Chairman's Report & Luncheon Attendance
6. Sunshine Report (amended)
7. Attendance Sheet
8. Presidential Award Senior Certificate
9. Request & Contract for Blue Angels Event Forms 50 & 53
10. Project 2016 Final Report 'Building Our Branches' including:
 - a. A short memo discussing the results of the meeting
 - b. A summary of meeting attendance

c. A list of data about branches