



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

**SIR BRANCH 146**  
**9:00 to 10:45 A.M. – LAKEVIEW ROOM – BOUNDARY OAK**  
**November 12, 2015**

**BIG SIR (Bill Holly)**

Bill Holly called the meeting to order at 9:03 am with all 12 officers and directors present and 10 committee chairmen and guests.

The minutes of the October BEC meeting were approved as corrected.

**BIG SIR'S REPORT (Bill Holly)**

Bill reported that Walt Schick, Region 6 and Area 2 Support Chairman, passed away on October 19<sup>th</sup>.

Former Branch 146 member Don Strong passed away on October 26<sup>th</sup>.

Bill sent an email to some of the past Big Sirs to determine when the Yamaha Keyboard was purchased for the Song Sirs and held in possession by Dave Obera. Beverly Obera had requested to purchase the keyboard. The past Big Sirs suggested that we give the keyboard to Beverly Obera in recognition of Dave's efforts on behalf of our branch. While the keyboard is listed on our inventory, it carries no cash value. It was moved by Alan Elnick, seconded by Brad Hatcher, to give the keyboard to Beverly Obera in recognition of Dave Obera's service to our Branch. Motion carried

Bill will send Beverly a note telling her she may keep the keyboard.

Today at our luncheon we will be installing next year's officers and directors.

Bill will be showing a slideshow during today's luncheon about the upcoming meetings at the Concord Hilton for the first four meetings of next year.

Our recruiting results for this year show we have 36 new members, including the one we will install today; our goal was 30. We had 48 guests, and our goal was 50. We had a conversion rate of 75% guests to new members; this is higher than the average Sir Branch. Our membership goal was 272. We have 286 members as of today.

We will review our membership attendance requirements at the next luncheon due to the change in meeting dates while we are at the Concord Hilton. Earlier this year, our attendance at the Concord Hilton was lower than we typically were accustomed to at the Boundary Oak.

There will be no BEC meeting in December.

#### LITTLE SIR REPORT (Walt Busenius)

Today's speaker will be Wayne Korsinen. Wayne will do a dramatic monologue titled "How Could it be Pearl" about the interactions between Secretary of Defense Knox, and Chief of Naval Operations Harold Stark during the afternoon of December 7, 1941.

We will be honoring our Branch veterans today with a slideshow showing our branch veterans who entered service from World War II up the end of 1963.

For our holiday luncheon a ladies quartet called La Di Da will be entertaining our attendees.

Luncheon No-Shows: For September we had 14 no-shows, 8 of whom have now paid. In October, we had 11 no-shows, 5 of whom have now paid. Other no-shows were either advanced payers or excused for acceptable reasons.

Clubhouse renovations are still a go and are expected to be completed by the end of April. We'll charge \$26 for all luncheon meetings during 2016.

January through April luncheon dates will be on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday in January, and on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in February, March and April.

The Concord Hilton meal costs will be \$28.50 per person, and we will have a guaranteed fish entrée. The branch will supplement the difference between the meal cost of the Boundary Oak and the Concord Hilton. Members will now have to advise of non-attendance by 5:00 P.M. Monday, a week before the luncheon to be excused.

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT (Alan Elnick) No report

#### TREASURER'S REPORT (Bob Melrose)

Form 28 and Monthly Treasurer's Report showed an end-of-month cash balance of \$29, 851.26

200 members paid dues to date: 31 annual payers (a record) and 169 normal payers.

Two members have gone inactive since submitting their dues. Their payments will be refunded.

#### COMMITTEE CHAIRS REPORTS

#### ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR (Jerry Kaplan)

All 43 activities are still going strong.

#### BIOGRAPHIES (Paul Dubow)

We have 166 biographies.

#### COMMUNICATIONS/WEBMASTER (Ron Plachy)

Google analytics submitted.

#### DINNER DANCE (Dick Kincaid)

The event went well. There were 24 couples, and all reported having a wonderful time. The event was a success. The date of event may need to change in the future due to conflicts with other activities. Also, there are not that many dancers, so hiring a band may

not be necessary for future events. Dick does not have support from his assistant to manage the event in the future, so he will help his successor arrange for any future events.

**GREETER (Jonathan Korfhage)**

Greeter Jon Korfhage appeared in appropriate attire.

**HISTORIAN (Pete Gates) No Report**

**HONOREES (Dennis Hallett)**

We have four honorees.

**LADIES DAY (Steve Dawkins) Not Present**

Ladies Day luncheon is a go. Steve Ybarra is collecting funds for the event.

**LUNCHEON ATTENDANCE (Max Hinkle)**

Guarantee for today: 223 meals. Last month we consumed 214

The Boundary Oak will prepare 234 meals per their 105% commitment.

**MEMBERSHIP (Ben Gleason)**

We have one new member to be inducted today, Dave Sousa, sponsored by Loren DeLaurenti.

Four members were removed from the Active Roster, Dave Obera (deceased), Mike Carvalho (resigned due to poor health), Bob Jaspar (inactive due to poor health), Jim Swanson (inactive, currently too busy to attend our luncheons).

Inactive roster changes: Don Martin and Gary Parkhurst resigned after 2 years on the inactive roster; Pablo Chavez, Jerry Duarte, and Gary McGrath could not be contacted and were terminated after 2 years as inactive.

Total membership now is 286.

It was moved, seconded and carried to induct one new member, Dave Sousa.

**MEMBER RELATIONS (Brad Hatcher)**

There were 147 responses to the member survey. The responses suggest things are working well.

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE (Doug Eisner)**

The Nominating Committee is pleased the induction of their nominees will occur today.

**PUBLICITY (Al Munayer) Not present (at check-in table)**

**RECRUITMENT (Corrie Oranje)**

There are four guests today. Chris Baker sponsored by Steve Siljestrom; Howard Charlop sponsored by Harvey Oxman; David Hicks sponsored by Jerry Kaplan; Lee Kauftheil sponsored by Mike Navone.

**SUNSHINE (John Pearl)**

The Sunshine list has gotten shorter, submitted and attached

TRAVEL (Ken Richter) Not present  
Form 50's were submitted as attached.

REPORTS FROM OTHER CHAIRS

CHAIRMEN WISHING TIME ON TODAY'S LUNCHEON AGENDA?

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be at 9:00 A.M. Monday, January 25, 2016 at the Concord Hilton.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Alan Elnick  
Branch Secretary

Attachments:

1. BEC Agenda
2. Treasurer's report, Form 28
3. Membership Report and From 27
4. Luncheon Attendance Chairman's Report
5. Google Analytics
6. Member Relations Report
7. Sunshine Report
8. Attendance Sheet
9. Travel Form 50's