

**SIR BRANCH 146
BEC MEETING MINUTES
BOUNDARY OAK
November 9, 2017**

OFFICERS

BIG SIR

Call to order/welcome
Quorum present
October 2017 BEC Minutes - APPROVED

BIG SIR'S REPORT

- Alan acknowledged that we honor our Veterans from all services today.
- Today we will have the installation of 2018 Officers, Area Governor and Past Big Sir Walt Busenius will conduct the installation.
- Need to recruit Auditors. Steve Siljestrom completing term 2017, Al Munayer completes 2018
- Jerry Kaplan introduced the subject of including wives in the distribution of the Sir Call - -
 - Several conclusions were reached:
 - We don't need a women's auxiliary
 - Members can decide how to share the Sir Call with their wives
 - Increasing the Sir Call distribution list to include all wives would be too cumbersome
 - It was decided that Big Sir and editor would announce that in special circumstances wives could be on the mailing list as needed and requested by a member.
- Discussion was held as to initiating an annual breakfast meeting for all activity chairs –
REPORT ATTACHED
 - Jerry Kaplan noted that Branch 8 has had this successful event for several years.
 - BEC APPROVED that Kaplan would proceed to develop a plan for our first annual breakfast meeting for only activity chairs with a maximum budget of \$1,300.
 - Kaplan requested others to help.
- Treasurer Roy Hodgkinson reported on the Budget Subcommittee meeting and Dues reduction:
 - We are solvent with our budget, projections and reserves.
 - We continue to maintain our mandated balance of under \$25,000.
 - An amendment was moved & seconded to keep the dues at our current \$18 and not reduce them to \$15. BEC VOTED AND AMENDMENT FAILED.
 - BEC ACCEPTED COMMITTEE'S REPORT AND APPROVED THE DUES REDUCTION TO \$15.
- Review & approval of 2018 budget –
 - It was noted that the state SIR budget and membership has slipped by 4% recently and that our insurance coverage is about half of our state budget. Each branch pays dues to the state.
 - BEC APPROVED OUR 2018 BUDGET AS PRESENTED. BUDGET ATTACHED
- Jonathan Korfhage reported on the Dinner Dance – successful event for 17 couples.
 - BEC APPROVED reimbursing Jonathan for his out-of-pocket expenses. REPORT ATTACHED

LITTLE SIR'S REPORT

- Bruce reported on today's speaker, Ladies Day plans, and his report on luncheon no-shows.

SECRETARY'S REPORT (Jonathan Korfhage) - no report

TREASURER'S REPORT (Roy Hodgkinson)

- Form 28 & Monthly Treasurer's Report – ATTACHED
- Dues draft letter to membership - ATTACHED

COMMITTEE CHAIRS REPORTS

ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR (Jerry Kaplan) – no further report

BIOGRAPHIES & BIG FISH (Paul Dubow)

- We currently have 199 biographies on our website
- We have had a great fishing year. There will be a new “Big Fish” from Branch 116 by a member.

COMMUNICATIONS – SIR CALL (Rich Hockenbrock)

- It was suggested to limit the number of photos on the Sir Call to 2-3 per activity and provide a link for additional photos if needed by the editor

GREETERS (Bob Lucido) – no report

HISTORIAN (Gary Brown) - no report

HONOREES (Doug Eisner).

Those being honored today.

Bob Yolland, Bill Hanson and Bill Boyd

LADIES DAY (Steve Dawkins/Steve Ybarra) – sign ups continue

LUNCHEON ATTENDANCE (Rob Melrose)

New Members:

Ron Milligan (sponsor Steve Lane)

Mike Riley (Max Hinkle)

Brian Downie (John Foster)

Jim Lape (Chuck Campbell)

Guests:

Michael Wolfson (Henry Thatcher)

Romesh Loomba (Roy Hodgkinson)

Al Steuenberg (Jim Whitsett)

Erling Horn (Ross Abbott)

Tom O'Brian (Charlie Koeber)

Ray Bland (Paul Masta)

Visitors:

Jerry Hicks (Alan Elnick)

David Crockett (Bill Schultz)

MEMBERSHIP (Dave Pierce)

Form 27 and REPORT – ATTACHED

BEC APPROVED NEW MEMBERS:

<u>Inductee</u>	<u>Nickname</u>	<u>Affiliation</u>	<u>Badge #</u>	<u>Sponsored By</u>
James P. Lape	Jim	Downlite (CEO)	265	Chuck Campbell
Brian J. Downie		Stanley M. Davis & Co.	296	John Foster

Robert W. White (Badge 296) asked to resign as of 31 October 2017 (via email to Rob Melrose, on that date). Louis Meyer (Badge 076) asked to go inactive (reported by Bruce Borgman at the October BEC meeting); Dave tried to contact Meyer but so far he has not responded. At the BEC Meeting, this date, Cal Tucker reported that Fred Thompson (Badge 077) died on October 7th.

Removal from the Active Roster

Robert W. White	Bob	296
Louis Meyer		076
Fred Thompson		077

Added to the Inactive Roster

Louis Meyer

After the above changes, our total active membership count will drop to 293 members. We have seven Honorary Life Members, five Emeritus Members, and eleven inactive members.

Emeritus Members

Bill Boyd, Joe Suta, Bob Wedin, John Lewis, Barney Meade

Dave Pierce led a discussion on how brand new members receive their badges. The BEC agreed that new member badges will be placed on the table with all the other badges. Dave suggested that he will email new members and their sponsors before the meeting to let them know where to pick up badges, and to let them know that the Big SIR will have reserved and assigned seats for them. Guest badges are prepared by the assistant treasurer.

MEMBER RELATIONS (Steve Sprague) – the member survey was discussed.

- 43% responded with 99% approval of Branch operations and activities.
- IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT THE BEC REVIEW THE SURVEY IN JANAURY and address contentious comments, including the problem that so many members reserve seats that new members are hard-pressed to find a seat. It was noted that other branches limit the number of seats that can be saved at each table.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE (Walt Busenius)

- It was noted that we always need more volunteers.

PUBLICITY (Bob Mehus) – no report

RECRUITMENT (Bill Schultz) – 6 guests at luncheon today

SUNSHINE (Cal Tucker) - REPORT ATTACHED

TRAVEL (Milton Smith) - No report

- BEC APPROVED TRAVEL EVENT TO "WEST SIDE STORY" IN APRIL,2018 – FORM 53 ATTACHED

WEBMASTER & E-COMMUNICATIONS (Ron Plachy) – No report

REPORTS FROM OTHER CHAIRS - none

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- It was suggested that our list of activity chairs on the website be reviewed. & updated.

NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, January11, 2018 at 9:00 A.M. at the Boundary Oak Clubhouse

ADJOURNED

Respectfully submitted,
Jonathan Korfhage, Secretary

ATTACHMENTS:

10-12-17 BEC Meeting Minutes
10-12-17 BEC Meeting Agenda

11-9-17 Meeting Minutes
November Sir Call

11-9-17 BEC Meeting Attendance Roster
November Luncheon Manager Report
October-November Sunshine Report
September Treasurer Report
September Form 28
Meeting for Activity Chairs
2017 Member Survey

Membership Report & Form 27 for October 2017
BEC Lunch Pre-pay Sub-Committee Report
November New Member Introductions
October BEC Minutes
Activity Chair Kaplan MEMO on Suggested Breakfast