



SIR BIDWELL BRANCH 110
SIR Region 1 – Area 1
Branch Executive Committee Meeting
Manzanita Place, Chico, CA 95926

MINUTES OF JANUARY 22, 2024 BEC MEETING

With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Big Sir Dave Jones at 9:33 AM.

Officers and Directors Present: Officers: Dave Jones, Don Sturt, Bob Dinger, Dave Rush, Charles Staser, Jose Lopez, Rocky Rockwell. Directors: Mike Nicholas, Ron Braziel, Bill Colvin, Randy Benson.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the December 18, 2023 meeting were approved as distributed.

Treasurer's Report: Charles Staser reported that the December 18, 2023 balance was \$5921.13, and the January 23, 2024 balance is \$3051.04.

Big Sir Report: The new Big Sir Dave Jones thanked the BEC members who served in 2023 and welcomed the new 2024 BEC members.

Little Sir Report: The new Little Sir Don Sturt introduced himself and displayed the rooster shirt he was wearing.

RAMP Committees:

- *Attendance:* Bruce Heidemeyer reported that at the December 22, 2023 luncheon, 55 members attended. Current membership level is 127, so 44 % of members attended the luncheon.

- *Membership:* Don Levensaler reported that there are no new applicants for membership.

- *Program Committee:* Jim Braziel reported that today's program is a presentation by Carolina Burreson, CEO of the Honeybee Discovery Center in Orland, who will present the purpose and history of the Center. The programs for the next three months of 2024 are unchanged from previous BEC minutes and are summarized on the SIR 110 website.

BEC Committees:

- *Rooster's Tale:* Don Alger reported that the deadline for submissions for the February 2024 issue is February 8, 2024.

- *Nominations:* Dave Rush discussed possible roles for Rich Utter, the past Big Sir. The roles discussed were head of the Nominations Committee, participant in orientation of new

members, and follow-up phone calls to new members. Rich Utter will consider which role he may be able to fill.

- *Publicity*: Don Alger reminded the BEC that a suitable picture of the speaker at today's program is needed for submission to the Chico Enterprise-Record.

- *Webmaster*: Ron Braziel reported on the updates to the Branch website.

Committee Reports: The following committees were reported on. If a committee is not listed, either the chairman (or other representative) was not present, or there was no information to report.

Vino 110: Don Alger reported that an apple cider tasting is planned at the Lassen Traditional Cidery in Chico on January 25 at 3 PM. A motion to approve this event was made, seconded, and passed.

Bowling: Randy Benson reported that four to six members have been playing in the drop-in league at Chico Bowl every Tuesday.

Bridge: Bob Dinger reported that there was only one session of bridge since the last report.

Hiking: Rich Utter reported that a hike is planned along the bike path to the airport and return on February 13, 2024 at 11 AM leaving from La Dolce Piazza at the corner of Cohasset Road and Lassen Avenue.

Golf: Darrell Hands reported that on January 8, 36 members played in a golf tournament at the Bidwell golf course. The next tournament will be held on January 29, 2024.

History Club: Don Alger reported that the next meeting is set for February 13, 2024, but the location of the meeting has not yet been determined. The club is studying the history of five historic buildings and businesses in Chico.

Pinochle: Joe Navarro reported that the next game is scheduled for January 24 at 11 AM at Butte Creek Country Club.

Piscatology: Bill Colvin reported that the planning for trips in 2024 is still under way. Proposed dates and places should be available for presentation at the February 2024 BEC meeting.

Woodworking: Craig Lindquist reported that he is making picture frames that are donated to Enloe Hospital for framing pictures of cancer victims. He asked that the \$42 cost of the wood be reimbursed by Sir 110. Before the approval could be voted on, new Director Mike Nicholas stated that he wanted to make a personal donation of \$42 to cover the cost.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

Mother's Day Luncheon: Randy Benson discussed some of the details for the Mother's Day luncheon planned for May 8, 2024. Several possible musical performers for the luncheon were discussed.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:13 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Bob Dinger

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