



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

MINUTES OF DECEMBER 15, 2025 BEC MEETING

With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Big Sir Don Sturt at 9:32 AM.

Officers and Directors Present: Officers: Don Sturt, Bob Dinger, Dave Rush, Charles Staser, Rocky Rockwell, Ken Edson. Directors: Mike Nicholas, Dave Jones, Randy Benson, Mike Gross.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the November 17, 2025 meeting were approved as distributed.

Treasurer's Report: Charles Staser reported that the November 17, 2025 balance was \$6016.40, and the December 15, 2025 balance is \$8885.64.

Big Sir Report: There was no report.

RAMP Committees:

• *Attendance:* Rich Olsen reported that 71 members (55%) attended the November 17, 2025 meeting.

• *Membership:* Sam Smith reported that there are two applicants for membership: Samuel Alaniz and A.J. Haggard. A motion to approve their membership was made, seconded, and passed.

• *Program Committee:* Randy Benson reported that today's program will be a performance by the Sounds of the Valley Chorus. The programs for January 2026 to May 2026 have been described and approved in previous minutes. A long discussion about possible programs for June 2026 and beyond took place, but nothing was decided.

• *Publicity:* Big Sir Don Sturt, who will become the head of the Publicity Committee in 2026, reported that he recommends that more effort to publicize the SIR missions and goals to the community is needed, possibly even requiring the expenditure of money. He is working on a proposal that he will discuss in the next few months.

BEC Committees:

• *Data Base/Roster:* Rocky Rockwell reported that he is finishing the preparation of the 2026 roster but had one item to clear up: Randy Benson is completing his third year as a director

and normally directors serve for only three years. Dana Davis has been elected as the new director replacing Randy Benson. However, there is a desire for Randy Benson to continue as a director. Parliamentarian Ken Edson confirmed that state SIR rules allow more than six directors, so that Randy Benson can continue as a director, making a total of seven directors for 2026. Big Sir Don Sturt stated that he will call the appropriate person at the state SIR organization to confirm that a seventh director is allowed. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Randy Benson as a director in 2026.

- *Nominations*: Don Alger reported that the committees work for 2025 is finished.
- *Rooster's Tale*: Don Alger reported that the deadline for submissions for the January 2026 issue is January 8, 2026.
- *Webmaster*: Ron Braziel reported on the updates to the Branch website.

Activity 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.

ABV 110: Don Alger reported that there were no tastings in November or December, and none are planned for January 2026.

Bowling: Randy Benson reported that weekly bowling will start up again in January 2026.

Bridge: Bob Dinger reported that there were two bridge sessions in the past month.

Golf: Darrell Hands reported that tournaments were held at Bidwell Golf Course on December 1 and December 8. There were 31 players on December 1 and 51 players on December 8. The weather was cold on both days. The next tournament will take place at Bidwell Golf Course on January 5. SIR 110 golfers have been invited to play with the Yuba City SIR group on December 22 at Peachtree Golf Course in Yuba City. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve participation in this tournament.

Hiking: Rich Utter reported that no hike has been planned because of the winter weather.

History: Don Alger reported that the next history meeting will be on January 13, 2026. Ray Rolls has a new project dealing with Chico Creek and the cleanup of the creek.

Pickleball: Randy Benson reported that the rain has cancelled most of the games.

Piscatology: Dana Davis reported that the fishing group had a Christmas breakfast in December that eleven members attended. Preparation of the fishing schedule for 2026 is in the works.

Unfinished Business:

In-And-Out Breakfast: Rich Utter reported that the breakfast will be held on January 8, 2026 at the Farmer's Skillet restaurant at 9:00 am. Anyone planning to attend should contact Rich Utter.

New Business:

The SIR Logo: The SIR logo was changed in 2021 and several versions of the logo are available for use by each branch. Ron Braziel reported that he received an email from the state SIR organization stating that the SIR 110 branch website is using the old (outdated) logo. Don Alger reported that the logos in the various documents of Branch 110 (The Rooster's Tale, the website, the new member certificate, a handout inserted in the History publications) are inconsistent. Some are old and some are new. There are about four variations of the new logo that are possible to use. The merits of the variations were discussed at length. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to table the choice of a new logo until the January 2026 meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:34 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Bob Dinger

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