



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

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 23, 2026 BEC MEETING

With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Big Sir José Lopez at 9:35 AM.

Officers and Directors Present: Officers: José Lopez, Al Romero, Bob Dinger, Scott Brogden, Dave Rush, Charles Staser, Rocky Rockwell, Ken Edson. Directors: Mike Nicholas, Joe Navarro, Dave Jones, Dana Davis, Mike Gross.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the January 26, 2026 meeting were approved as distributed.

Treasurer's Report: Prior to the report, a motion was made to approve the selection of Scott Brogden to be the 2026 Treasurer. The motion was seconded and passed. Scott Brogden then reported that the January 26, 2026 balance was \$8353.10, and the February 23, 2026 balance is \$5245.61

Big Sir Report: Big Sir José Lopez briefly discussed a policy change by the State organization. Unfortunately, the voice recorder did not capture the full discussion.

Little Sir Report: Little Sir Al Romero reported that he plans to address the membership at the luncheon today about the unfilled SIR positions for 2026.

RAMP Committees:

- *Attendance:* Rich Olsen reported that 77 members (60%) attended the January 26, 2026 meeting.

- *Membership:* Sam Smith was not present, but the membership report he submitted for this meeting indicates that there are no new applicants for membership this month.

- *Program Committee:* No report.

- *Publicity:* No report.

BEC Committees:

- *Data Base/Roster:* Rocky Rockwell reported on some of the problems that he and Dave Jones face in getting an accurate advanced count of attendees for the monthly luncheon meetings. These problems have been discussed in several recent BEC meetings. The main

problem is caused by members who say “yes they will attend,” but then do not attend without calling or texting to cancel their previous “yes.” The branch policy is to collect the cost of the meal from those members. The main conclusion of the discussion was to emphasize the branch policy.

- *Nominations:* Joe Navarro reported that the committee’s work for 2026 is finished.

- *Rooster’s Tale:* Rich Utter has volunteered to be the 2026 editor of the Rooster’s Tale. A motion to approve his editorship was made, seconded, and passed. The deadline for submissions for the March issue is March 5, 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: Jim Braziel reported that no tastings have been scheduled yet for 2026.

Book Exchange: Rich Utter reported that the book exchange is going very well, and many books have been donated and are available for members to read. Books not taken after several months are donated to the Enloe Cancer Center, where they are much appreciated.

Bridge: Bob Dinger reported that there were three bridge session in the past month and Bob Dinger was the winner once. The bridge game is held at The Terraces most Thursdays starting at noon.

Golf: Darrell Hands reported that a tournament was held at the Bidwell Golf Course on February 2 and there where were 27 players. The next tournament will take place at Canyon Oaks Golf Course on March 16.

Hiking: Rich Utter reported that a hike along the Feather River in Oroville is scheduled for February 26. Next month, a hike is scheduled for March 17 in Upper Bidwell Park. A motion to approve this hike was made, seconded and passed.

Pinochle : Joe Navarro reported that a game will be held on February 25 at the Butte Creek Country Club starting at 11:00 AM.

Piscatology: Dana Davis reported that the fishing group has a trip scheduled for February 24-26 to Collins Lake, but the weather forecast looks unfriendly. The cabin reservations have been cancelled, but some members are planning to go as a day trip.

Old Business: Al Romero reported that a discussion of some of the unfilled committee positions originally scheduled on the agenda is not needed.

New Business: None.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:05 AM.

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Bob Dinger

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