## SONS IN RETIREMENT SONORA Branch 136 Branch Executive Committee Meeting November 12, 2013 Minutes

## In Attendance:

**BEC Board Members**: Big Sir Phil Van Swoll, Little SIR John Bristow, Secretary Jim Johnson, Asst. Secretary Jerry Bellefeuille, and Treasurer Frank Taylor. **Directors**: Herman Eaton, Jerry Erath, Keith Kofoed, Bob Gelber, and Dale Decker.

**Committee Chairman:** Attendance/Membership Dale Decker, Bowling Bert Abreo, Bulletin/Internet Jerry Bellefeuille, Chaplin Paul Bullman, Golf Jeff Phillips, RV Travel Jim Botto and Ron Long, and Luncheon Rick Bacon

Past Big SIRs: Al Limon, Bob Gibbs, Bill Dunlavy, Don Banchero and Baci

Frecceri.

Area Governor: Ed Nissen

Visitors: Tim Smith, Ray Harm and Roland Camfeild

Big SIR Phil Van Swoll called the meeting to order at 10:05am. A quorum was present.

**Secretary** – Secretary Jim Johnson presented the minutes, which were previously distributed to the BEC, of the October 8, 2013 BEC Meeting. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Herman Eaton and seconded by Jerry Bellefeuille. The motion was passed by the BEC.

**Treasurer –** Treasurer Frank Taylor presented the Treasurers Report for October, 2013 which showed a monthly ending checking balance of \$2,218.01 and \$200.00 cash on hand. A motion to approve the Treasurers Report was made by Bob Gelber and seconded by Jerry Bellefeuille. The motion was passed by the BEC.

**Little SIR** – Little SIR John Bristow reported the Ladies Christmas Luncheon tickets will be on sale today. Three new members will be inducted at today's luncheon.

Attendance/Membership – Attendance/Membership Chairman Dale Decker, presented the November Attendance/Membership Report, which was previously distributed to the BEC,. There are two new applicants proposed for membership: Dick Pland (sponsored by Bill Dunlavy #121) and Ron Stearns (sponsored by Baci Frecceri #050). Two members were placed on Inactive Status, Larry Singley #184 and Jack Holt #097. Bill Hines #068 was returned to active status. Four members resigned and dropped from membership, Ronald Boyd-Snee #341, Ralph Miller #030, Chalres Marinelli #024 and John Rago #246. The current membership stands at 218- active and 8-inactive members. A motion was made by Jerry Erath

and seconded by Keith

Kofoed to approve the Attendance/Membership Report . The motion was passed by the BEC.

**Bulletin/Internet** – Jerry Bellefeuille, Bulletin/Internet Chairman reported he was coordinating the printing of the Holiday Luncheon flyers and they would be included in the November Bulletin.

**Chaplin –** Paul Bullman reported on the sick members.

**Bowling** – Bert Abreo reported the bowling group would like to include a mixed league which would include the wife's and significant others of the members. A motion was made by Keith Kofoed and seconded by Jerry Bellefeuille to leave the decision of the mixed bowling league up to the Bowling Committee Chairman. The motion was passed by the BEC.

Travel - No Report

**RV Travel –** Jim Botto, RV Cairman, reported the RV Club elected Ron Long as assistant Chairman, Mo Molimari as Treasurer and Linda Botto as Historian. Jim Botto then reported the group recently attended an outing at the 49er RV Park in Plymouth and the next outing will be at the Gilroy Garlic USA RV Park later in November.

**Golf** – Jeff Phillips, Golf Chairman, introduced Danny Laureta as the new 2014 Golf Chairman. He also reported the Turkey Shoot Tournament was a big success.

Fishing – No Report

**Internet –** Jerry Bellefeuille reported the Monthly Bulletins are on the Branch 136 web site.

SIR Merchandise - No Report

**Pinochle –** Bob Morrison reported there were 10-12 players attending the Monday events but they need more players.

**Bridge** – No Report

**House** – Jerry Erath reported there was seating for 166 for today's luncheon.

**Old Business:** Three members that were dropped from membership at the October BEC Meeting because of low attendance were present and requested to be re-instated. The BEC voted to re-instate Bob Gibbs, Ray Harm and Rolland Camfield.

**New Business:** Secretary Jim Johnson requested the 2014 Golf, RV and Fishing itineraries by the December BEC meeting because of insurance requirements.

Past Big SIR Bill Dunlavy requested approval to comp the widows of Past Big SIRs at the December Ladies Christmas Luncheon. A motion was made by Jerry Bellefeuille and seconded by Jerry Erath that the sitting BIG SIR can invite the widows of the Past Big SIRs to the December Ladies Christmas Luncheon. The motion was passed by the BEC.

Secretary Jim Johnson presented the 2014 Monthly Luncheon Contract with the Elk's Caterer Dean Papapetrou for approval. The price will be maintained at \$10.00 each and there were some menu improvements. A motion was made by Keith Kofoed and seconded by Jerry Bellefeuille to approve the 2014 Catering Contract to be signed by the BIG SIR. The motion was passed by the BEC.

Little SIR John Bristow announced he would be passing around a box to the members at today's luncheon meeting for the cooks annual tip. There was a consensus in favor of the action.

Ed Nissen, Area 27 Governor, expressed his thanks to Branch 136 for its support for him while he was Area Governor. As of January 1, 2014, the new Area 27 Governor will be Jerry Morrow. The BEC expressed their gratitude to Ed and thanked him for a great job while Area Governor and he would be missed.

## Meeting Adjourned at 11:10am

Minutes prepared by Branch 136 Secretary Jim Johnson December 1, 2013