

Sir Branch 146

Branch Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: March 13, 2025

Venue: Boundary Oak Clubhouse

Branch 146 Executive Committee for 2025

		Present
Big Sir	Bob Ford	x
Little Sir	Thom Degnan	x
Secretary	Don Shaw	x
Assistant Secretary	John Rexroat	x
Treasurer	Mike Rothman	x
Assistant Treasurer	Tom Amann	x
Director 1 st Term	Mike Davidson	x
Director 1 st Term	Jim Crites	
Director 2 nd Term	Mark Curtis	x
Director 2 nd Term	Randy Graham	x
Director 2 nd Term	John Alexander	x
Director 2 nd Term	Don Rhoades	x

Other Attendees:

*Past Big SIR	Present
Ben Gleason	
Bill Holly*	x
Bob Lucido	x
Bob Spellman	x
Bob Wilkenfeld	x
Bob Yolland	
Brad Hatcher*	x
Brian McCarthy	
Bruce Borgman	x
Carl Mason	
Dick DeVoe	
Doug Eisner*	x
Ed Brands	x
Frank Lucas	x

George Mon	x
Glenn Breslin	
Henry Thatcher	x
Howard Goldsmith	
	Present
Jim Pope	x
John Klusener*	
Ken Richter	
Mike Smith	
Paul Dubow	x
Phil Lee	
Richard Hockenbrock	
Richard Lyon	
Ron Plachy	x
Roy Hodgkinson	

Steve Oki	x
Steve Ybarra	
Vern Roohk	
Walt Busenius*	x

9:30 AM Call to Order-Big Sir; Introduction of guests. Call for any amendments to the Agenda

Standing Reports

1. Review of Minutes of the preceding meeting-Secretary Don Shaw

a) Minutes from Thursday February 13, 2025

The call for comments on the Meeting Minutes for February 13, 2025, resulted in no additions or deletions. Upon motion by Don Shaw, seconded by John Rexroat, BEC unanimously approved the Minutes as submitted.

b) Critical items from Schedule of Branch Operations

Form 28 to be sent by the end of each month. Mike Rothman confirmed compliance.

2. Branch Treasurer- Mike Rothman

a) Form 28 – review and motion for approval

Upon motion by Mike Rothman, seconded by John Alexander, BEC unanimously approved Form 28 as presented and attached to these Minutes.

b) Treasurer's Report – for information. The Treasurer's Report is attached to these Minutes.

3. Membership Chair – George Mon

a) Form 27 - review and motion for approval

Upon motion by John Rexroat, seconded by Mike Rothman, the attached Form 27 (Monthly Branch Membership Report), showing 255 members, and the Membership Chairman Report for March, showing 3 new members (2 newly joined, 1 rejoined), copies attached to these Minutes, were unanimously approved.

b) Membership Report – approved along with the Membership Report and attached to these Minutes.

c) Vote to approve any new members

Upon motion by Don Shaw, seconded by Mike Rothman, James Dimech and Michael Gipps were approved as new members, and Ronald Louis was approved as a rejoining member.

II Old Business

- Member relations role filled by Mike Davidson

- Update on Certificate of insurance and form 64 – Bob Ford

We have the required signatures, and Bob is circulating the related form for signatures.

- Fishing calendar approved by BEC – Bob Ford

Upon motion by Don Shaw, Seconded by John Alexander, the BEC unanimously ratified the approval of the fishing calendar.

- Discuss how to handle 18 – hole golf finances - Mike Rothman

Mike Rothman made the following motion, and John Rexroat seconded: The BEC recognizes State SIR practice of allowing independent golf and similar groups at the branch level to act independently with respect to finances and accounting, without requiring the use of a SIR EIN and without audit, under the direction of branch members participating in the group. Consistent with this practice, until further notice BEC acquiesces in the Branch 146 golf group having independent financing and accounting, without audit, and without an account using the SIR EIN, while recommending that the golf account have two Branch members named on the golf account(s). BEC unanimously approved this motion.

The sense of the BEC is that the golf group is essentially self governing and that the golf group (and not the BEC) should determine how to independently handle group finances.

Bob Ford undertook communication on this matter with the golf group.

III New Business

- Report out on new member focus group meeting - Jim Pope

Jim presented the attached SIR 146 2024 Members Focus Group Take Aways, dated March 13, 2025.

IV Other Reports

A. Ramp Committee

a. Recruiting – Randy Graham

Randy presented the attached 3/13/25 Recruiting Report

b. Activities and Travel – Glenn Breslin

No Report (Glenn was absent but sent word there are no changes from last month.)

c. Member Relations – Mike Davidson

No Report

d. Publicity – John Alexander

John reported on Patch, concluding Patch is not a viable publicity avenue for Branch 146.

B. Luncheon Co-Chair Steve Oki

a. Luncheon attendance and guests

We have 122 members signed up to attend the March luncheon, up from 118 last month. Problems with walk-ins may be ameliorating.

C. Honoree Committee – Walt Busenius

No Report

Walt requests a 15 minute closed session next month.

- D. Nomination Committee – John Kluesener

Replacement for Ed Brands as Member Relations

Mike Davidson has agreed to replace Ed Brands as Member Relations.

E. SIR Call Editor – Clint Collier

No Report

G. Sunshine Chair – Brian McCarthy

See attached.

F. Branch Historian – Mark Curtis

No Report

V. Little SIR –

Thom Degnan

A. Today's and Future Speakers

Thom reported on future speakers as detailed in the SIR Call

Thom mentioned he will bring a Food Bank barrel to the May luncheon, something that has been very successful in the past.

VI. Big SIR -

Bob Ford

John Rexroat motioned and Mike Rothman seconded adjournment which BEC unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 10:30.