



**Pleasant Hill Branch 146
Minutes of the Branch Executive Committee Meeting
October 13, 2011**

CALL TO ORDER

Big Sir Pete Gates, called the meeting to order at 9:25 a.m. He welcomed the 12 visitors including Committee Chairmen. State President Bob Mannell was in attendance. (See **Attendance Roster attached**).

BEC ROLE CALL/QUORUM

Secretary Terry Marchione announced that a quorum was achieved with 6 of the 12 BEC members present. Directors Hertweck, Harrington and Eichten were absent, as were officers Woodman, Clark and Meehan (**see Attendance Roster attached**).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Terry Marchione indicated that the minutes from the August meeting had been distributed electronically to all members of the 2011 BEC. He asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes. Being none, the minutes were approved as written. A copy of the minutes is available on the Sir website.

BIG SIR'S REPORT

Big Sir Pete Gates reported on the following subjects:

Annual Survey—The annual survey is being conducted at today's meeting.

Email Communications—**Sir Jeff Baily** has been officially named as the coordinator of the Branch email function. He will use his proprietary email list to accomplish this. A backup email list has been prepared and will be maintained by the Branch Secretary. This list will be used when Sir Baily is not available. It also serves as a redundant list in case of corruption or loss of Baily's list.

Third Quarter Report—Sir Pete reported that the Branch is in excellent shape and that the goals set for the year have been met.

LITTLE SIR'S REPORT

Today's speaker will be Cynthia Miller, RN, and Neurosciences Clinical Coordinator at the John Muir Medical Center. She will speak on strokes; how to guard against them, how to know when one is occurring and what to do about it should one occur.

The speaker for November will be Mike Conklin from Sentinels of Freedom. The organization provides support for veterans returning from Iraq and Afghanistan.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Secretary reported that the Past Big Sir Pin has been ordered.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Big Sir Pete Gates (standing in for Dick Woodman) reported that we started the month of September with \$10861.02 and ended the month with \$10,342.82. While this shows a small loss during the month, this will be mostly offset once funds are received for the Day at the Races event. Overall there was not much change. Pete also reported that we have around 10 members paying in cash and this number has remained fairly constant in recent months.

No one from the budget team was present at the meeting. The final report and recommendations will be presented at the November meeting. The 2012 budget is in place and the recommendation for the annual contribution will be \$20. There will also be an option to pay \$240 up front which will cover the 10 non-ladies day luncheons as well as the annual contribution.

There was also a brief discussion of a suggestion from a member regarding the payment for lunches. The member suggested returning to the previous method of adding \$2 to the cost of each lunch and doing away with the annual contribution. The general feeling was that this was not the direction we wished to go in. State President Mannell also indicated that this method of collection was not in conformance with the IRS rules.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Membership (Steve Sprague)

Steve sought BEC approval for new members **Ken Donnelly** sponsored by **Jim Stedman**, **Pierre Mebane** sponsored by **Chuck Eichten** and **Wiley Gilvin** sponsored by **Bill Hansen**. This motion was approved

Two members were lost due to the resignation of **John Humphrey** and **Bill Schmeb**. Both resignations were health related..

After the above changes, our total active membership count will be increased by one to 271 members. Our inactive roster remained unchanged at 9.

Recruitment and Retention – Chair Jack Calloway

Sir Jack reported on the year-to-date progress versus our goals. Overall we are in excellent shape in this regard. Including October, we have 34 new members in 2011 vs. a goal of 26 for the entire year. This makes the current membership of 271.

Attendance/Luncheon – Chair Bob Mehus

With regards to the August lunch, we guaranteed 184 attendees. It was reported that we have 8-9 members who have not fulfilled the attendance requirement. These members are being dealt with on an individual basis by the lunch attendance committee. President Mandell observed that there is no consistency among branch's regarding enforcement of this requirement.

Activities – Chair Steve Dawkins

No report

Sunshine –Walt Busenius

No report

Travel – Ken Richter

No report due to SIR trip in progress.

Webmaster

No report

Activities Coordinator—Pete Gates (filling in for Steve Dawkins)

The final arrangements are being made for the Christmas luncheon. A motion was made to set the price at \$29 which will include the lunch(\$27), decorations(\$1) and entertainment(\$1).

NEW BUSINESS--None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned by Big Sir Gates at 10:55a.m. The next meeting of the BEC is scheduled for November 10 2011 at 9:30 a.m. in the Lakeview Room at the Clubhouse at Boundary Oak.

Attachments:

- (1) Attendance Roster 10/13//11 BEC Meeting
- (2) Treasurer's Report for September 2011; and Form 28 "Monthly Cash Report" for September, 2011 (Dick Woodman)
- (3) Membership Chair's report; and Form 27 for October, 2011 (Steve Sprague)
- (4) Attendance/Luncheon Chair's report for October, 2011 (Bob Mehus)