

Sir Branch 146
Branch Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
Date: January 9, 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 Rhoads	X

Other Attendees:

*Past Big SIR	Present
Ben Gleason	
Bill Holly*	X
Bob Lucido	X
Bob Spellman	X
Bob Wilkenfeld	
Brad Hatcher*	
Brian McCarthy	X
Bruce Borgman	X
Carl Mason	
Dick DeVoe	
Doug Eisner*	X
Ed Brands	
Frank Lucas	
George Mon	X
Glenn Breslin	X
Henry Thatcher	X
Howard Goldsmith	
Jim Pope	

	Present
John Klusener*	X
Ken Richter	X
Mike Smith	
Paul Dubow	X
Phil Lee	
Richard Hockenbrock	
Richard Lyon	X
Ron Plachy	X
Roy Hodgkinson	
Steve Oki	X
Steve Ybarra	
Vern Roohk	
Walt Busenius*	X

The Big Sir noted that we have a quorum and the meeting commenced at 9:00.

I Standing Reports

1. Branch Secretary

The call for comments on the Meeting Minutes for November 14, 2024 resulted in no additions or deletions. Upon motion by Mark Curtis, seconded by Don Rhodes, BEC unanimously approved the November Minutes as submitted.

The approved Minutes were filed in the Branch records and sent to the Area Representative.

The Secretary reviewed critical items from the Schedule of Branch Operations (SBO) and confirmed that all critical items are being properly attended.

Treasurer: Confirmed that Form 28 was sent to AR and State SIR for November and December.

2. Branch Treasurer

- a) Treasurer reviewed Form 28. Upon motion by Don Shaw, seconded by John Alexander, BEC unanimously approved Form 28.
- b) The treasurer's report is to be filed with the minutes.

3. Membership Chairman

- (a) Form 27. George Mon reported on Form 27 that there was 1 new member in December and no new members in January. Form 27 membership was established as 263, down from 273 as last reported, on account of 9 resignations and one death.
- (b) Upon motion by Don Shaw, seconded by John Rexroat, BEC unanimously ratified the email approval and approved new member Dave Price.
- (c) No. new members for January.
- (d) Big Sir and Little Sir reported on follow up on unpaid dues.
- (e) As noted, Form 27 membership is 263.

II Old Business

- State efforts to increase membership are just getting underway (study phase). Branch 146 seeking representation in the process.

III New Business

- Consider change to start time of BEC meeting Bob Ford
Upon motion by Don Rhodes, seconded by Don Shaw, BEC unanimously approved changing the start times of BEC meeting to 9:30.
- Get input on recruiting goals for 2025 Bob Ford
25 new members was suggested as a target for 2025.
- Replacement for Ed Brands as Member Relations Bob Ford
Nominating Committee with work on this.

IV Other Reports

A. Ramp Committee

- a. Recruiting – _ Randy Graham
No Report
- b. Activities and Travel – _ Glenn Breslin

Glenn reported on activities and travel.

Description	Totals
Total Activities	48
Total Co-Ed Activities	29
Percent Co-Ed Activities	60%
Total Unique Activities	28
BR146 activities shared with other branches	12
Other SIR Branch Groups Activities Shared with SIR146	15

Get approval for New Trips planned in 2025

a. Trip Details are below

- Vietnam/Cambodia
- Australia/New Zealand
- Japan/Korea

Seq	Vietnam/Cambodia (Price/Price with Air)	Seq	Australia/New Zealand (Price/Price with Air)	Seq	Japan/Korea (Price/Price with Air)
1	10/19/25 to 11/7/25 (3495/4695) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Angor Wat Post-Trip Included available • LINK HERE 	2	1/7/26 to 1/25/26 (5295/7645) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Both Melbourne Pre-Trip and Fiji Post-Trip available • LINK HERE 	3	4/1/26 to 4/16/26 (7495/9095) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hiroshima Post-Trip available • LINK HERE

After Don Shaw moved and John Rexroat seconded approval of the Forms 50 and 53 for three trips, Board members requested more time to review Forms 50 and 53. The forms were circulated electronically and a majority of the Board board approved Forms 50 and 53 for three trips, Voting in favor: John Rexroat, Don Rhoades, Bob Ford, Mike Rothman, Thom Degnan, Mark Curtis, Don Shaw. Not voting: Tom Amman, Mike Davidson, Jim Crites, Randy Graham, John Alexander.

c. Member Relations – _ open

d. Publicity – _ John Alexander
No. Report

B. Luncheon Co-Chair Steve Oki

107 expected for lunch today

The suggestion was made that we request lunch service begin at 11:45

Discussion was had about leaving comment cards on the luncheon tables to allow attendees the opportunity provide feedback about the lunch.

Discussion was had about recognition for luncheon staff.

- D. Nomination Committee – John Kluesener
 - Committee is being formed now.
- E. SIR Call Editor – Clint Collier
 - No Report
- G. Sunshine Chair – Brian McCarthy
 - Report attached
- F. Branch Historian – Mark Curtis
 - No report

V. Little SIR – Thom Degnan

- Reported on upcoming speakers.

VI. Big SIR - Bob Ford

- Recruiting Goals and recognition for members who bring in new members
 - Suggested 25 as 2025 recruiting goal.