



**LAKE OF THE PINES, BRANCH 170
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

January 4, 2017

<http://branch170.sirinc2.org/>

The BEC monthly meeting was called to order at 10:30 AM.

Officer Reports

Big SIR – Jim Goetsch

A quorum of officers and directors was present

The minutes of the previous BEC were approved.

SIR State is setting a recruitment goal of 10% for 2017.

We have three new directors for 2017: Ron Wolyn, Andy Ameigeiras, and Bob Cunningham. Ron will be our golf chair, Andy will support Fun Day and Bocce Ball, and Bob will serve as the IT assistant.

The branch nominating committee is Ron Wolyn and Elmer Curtis.

We need a Fun Day leader.

We do not need separate insurance for events if we are not selling the beer and wine.

We still need a couple of members to volunteer as committee chair assistants.

The little SIR needs a “Speaker Committee” to assist and someone who could become Little SIR in 2018.

Since we are about to pass the 150 threshold for active members, we can begin the process of nominating another Honorary Life Member. We will have our two Honorary Life Members, John Brewer and Steve Michalak serve on the Nominating Committee with Elmer Curtis and Roger Pope to make recommendations to the BEC for this honor.

Little SIR – Robert Chan

Our lunch speaker today is SIR member and Darkhorse resident Grego Kosinski. He will update us on the Darkhorse development going forward. His topic is “Big Changes May Be Coming to Darkhorse”.

Our Area Governor recommended more functions to include our wives. Some suggestions were: Valentine Day's Luncheon, Mother's Day Brunch for spouses, Summer Barbecue.

Secretary - Hal Hawthorne/Peter Kenyon

The BEC attendance today was 14.

The lop.org web site material will be modified to de-emphasize retirement. A new version will be distributed to the BEC for review. A final version will be presented to the BEC later in January for approval or rejection at the February meeting.

At that point, the lop.org web site will basically go static as the branch sub-domain, <http://branch170.sirinc2.org/>, becomes primary.

Form 20 will be updated to reflect the departure of our webmaster, Gary Resnick.

The BEC confirmed September 9th for Fun Day and December 6th for the Christmas party.

Treasurer - Pat Graham /David Rosseau

Our branch bank statements have been distributed to the executive committee.

Larry Shelley and Dick Green will serve on the audit committee for the 2016 financials.

Membership - Phil Jones/Randy Friesen

Our current membership count is 148. We have two new members coming in today.

In 2016 we added 34 members and lost 11 members for a net gain of 23, about a 18% net gain.

Phil will contact all members that appear to be "inactive."

Committee Reports

Bulletin Editor - Rich Hibbs

Rich has the job well in hand. It would be good for an assistant to learn the ropes.

Christmas Dinner and Dance – John Brewer / Steve Michalak

John would like to review the 2016 dinner at the next BEC.

Clothes- Glen Delisle/Jim Goetsch

Glen has several shirts to distribute at lunch today. Orders will be accepted if fully paid.

Food - Roger Pope

Roger is trying to get the lunch menu before the 2nd announcement is emailed. Our lunch is still \$15.00 per person.

Golf – Ron Wolyn, Chuck Mercer

Branch 170 continues to win win win. \$120 will be passed out at lunch today. Nine tournaments have been scheduled for 2017. The complete schedule is posted here

http://branch170.sirinc2.org/misc/golf_schedule.pdf.

Info Tech – Hal Hawthorne

The web site and the Gmail address book are current. We have 148 members with 146 'valid' email addresses. Two members do not use email.

LOP News – Phil Frank – Phil would like a replacement. Jim Goetsch will write the article for the February LOP News and will seek another volunteer to take over this task.

Travel - Terry Eberhardt

Several Branch 170 members are traveling this year and next year. Terry is attending a Talbott seminar later this month.

Wine Tasting - Terry Eberhardt

The next wine tasting is scheduled for January 27nd at the Alta Sierra Wine Shop. The full notice is published [here](#).

Adjournment was at 11:25 AM.