

**Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting
SIR Branch 35
January 12, 2022
Via Zoom**

Big Sir, Andy Danver announced that a quorum was present, and the meeting was called to order at 10:03 am. Due to Covid19 orders, the meeting was held via Zoom.

Attendees: Stan Barkey, Bob Booth, Bill Young, Jim Quillinan, Jim Narva (tardy), Ben Gikis, Bruce Karney, Richard Blackborow, Del Fillmore, Jerry Belden, Dave Squellati (tardy), Gerry Feeney from his Diesel Locomotive, Paul Schutz, Andy Danver, Pat Reed SIR Region 4 Director and SIR Area Governor, Foster Kinney.

Officers/Directors

Big Sir, Andy Danver

Andy welcomed everyone. State SIR has designated 2022 as The Year of the Branches. Discussion was had on whether to have an in-person meeting in February or March. Due to Covid uncertainty, consensus was to continue with Zoom in February and March and plan to meet in person on April 20, 2022. This will also allow our technology committee to complete its hybrid-meeting project to accommodate both live and Zoom gatherings. Jerry Belden moved, and Jim Quillinan seconded the motion that all allowed activities are approved by the BEC, which motion unanimously carried.

Next Board meeting will be on 2/09/2022 at 10:00 am via Zoom.

Secretary, Jim Quillinan

The Minutes of the BEC 12/08/2021 meeting was moved accepted by Bob Booth, seconded by Paul Schutz and unanimously accepted.

Attendance, J. William Young

The December 2021 meeting was held via Zoom, with 91 Members, 1 visitor and 0 guests attending.

Membership, Paul Schutz

Paul's trip to Australia was postponed so he graced us with his presence. Form 27 was presented and reviewed. Robert (Bob) Morley (Sponsor: Stan Scardino) and William (Bill) Nix (Sponsor: Joe Hauser) were moved approved as new members by Paul Schutz, seconded by Richard Blackborow and unanimously approved. Current membership is 325. We need to work on attracting younger members.

Treasurer, Jim Narva

Treasurer's Report was circulated for review. The report was moved approved by Stan Barkey, seconded by Richard Blackborow and unanimously approved. To date 215 Members (69%) have paid their 2022 dues.

Little SIR, Bob Booth

Working on speakers for 2022. Juggling issues with Zoom and in person speakers.

Special Events, Ben Gikis

Giants (date pending) and A's (June 3, 2022) baseball games are in the works. Sign-ups will go out soon.

Tech Report: Richard Blackborow

Continue to work on hybrid meetings for in person and Zoom attendance. Need to update software (Office 365).

Director, Activities: Jerry Belden

Activities are running smoothly.

State SIR: Andy Danver

State Board meeting is 1/12/2022 and members may join via Zoom. State President is hosting a Fireside Chat on 1/15/22 at 2 PM via Zoom. Access through State SIR webpage.

Nominations: Stan Barkey

Looking for fresh blood for BEC. Please inform Stan of any candidates.

Trail Tips, Del Fillmore

Always looking for interesting articles, please send.

Meeting Adjourned:

11:20 am

Addendum – Action Items:

01122022-001: Secretary Jim Quillinan presented the December 8, 2021 Minutes which was moved accepted by Bob Booth, seconded by Paul Schutz and unanimously accepted.

01122022-002: On Motion by Jerry Belden and seconded by Jim Quillinan, all activities that follow State SIR, State and County protocols are unanimously approved.

01122022-003: The Treasurer's Report was presented and reviewed. The report was moved approved by Stan Barkey, seconded by Richard Blackborow, and unanimously approved.

01122022-004: Robert (Bob) Morley and William (Bill) Nix were moved approved as new members by Paul Schutz, seconded by Richard Blackborow and unanimously approved.