SONS IN RETIREMENT TWAIN HARTE BRANCH NO. 172 MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Meeting Date: October 1, 2012 Place: Pine Tree Restaurant, Sonora, CA

Big Sir Jerry Morrow opened the meeting at 8:00 AM and welcomed Officers, Directors and Committee Chairmen of Branch 172, and called for self introductions. Secretary Dan Mohn reported that a quorum was present (See Attached Attendance Record).

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Secretary Dan Mohn thanked Little Sir Larry Bertuccelli and Sir Bill Bamford for taking care of the Secretarial duties at the September 3, 2012 BEC meeting and reported that the meeting minutes had been electronically transmitted to all Officers, Directors, and Committee Chairs. Secretary Mohn further reported that (1) Treasurer Dennis Honeychurch, by email, requested that the **Treasurer's Report** be corrected as follows: under expenses, change *Guest Expenses from \$60.00 to \$0.00* and *State Board Pro Rata Assessment from \$481.50 to \$0.00*; and (2) Sir Ralph Legg, by email, stated that under **Hiking Group**, *Big Sir Jerry Morrow, not Sir Ralph Legg*, requested approval for the hike on September 25th. Big Sir Jerry Morrow called for other additions or corrections to the minutes. Hearing none, the Minutes were approved as corrected. (Granados/Wright).

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Treasurer Dennis Honeychurch reported a beginning cash balance of \$5,517.56 and an ending balance of \$5,636.38 for the month of September. The main expenses for the month were: Printing & Supplies - \$61.42; Postage and Delivery - \$0.00; Guest Expenses - \$10.00; and, State Board Pro Rata Assessment - \$0.00; The Treasurer's Report was approved. (Bertuccelli/Granados).

ATTENDANCE:

Attendance Chairman Bill Anning reported that 28 Sirs had called that they would not attend Thursday's luncheon meeting. Assistant Attendance Chair Jim Schneider reported that he had received 2 guest attendance requests.

MEMBERSHIP:

Membership Chairman Otto Giuliani requested approval to accept the membership applications for Robert Steele and John Johnson, both sponsored by Big Sir Jerry Morrow. The applications were approved. (Granados/Wright). Membership Chairman Giuliani also reported that two new members would be inducted at the luncheon meeting on October 4th. The membership stands at 168.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

LUNCHEON: Sir Jim McCracken reported that the menu for the October luncheon will be Spaghetti & Meatballs, Caesar Salad, Garlic Bread and Peach Cobbler for desert.

PROGRAM: Little Sir Larry Bertuccelli reported that the speaker for Thursday's luncheon will be Frank and Sally Helm, long time proprietors of Dodge Ridge Ski Resort. Mr. & Mrs. Helm will discuss the history of the resort and present an overview of the current operations.

COMPUTER USERS GROUP: No Report.

WEB PAGE: No Report.

GOLF: No Report.

BULLETIN: Sir Stu Heller, via email, requested that all items for the Bulletin be submitted to him no later than October 6, 2012.

PUBLICITY: Sir Gil Wesson advised that the meeting notice has been posted in the Union Democrat.

MOVIE: Sir Gil Wesson requested approval for *Lunch and a Movie*, and *A Movie and Dinner* for the month of October, the dates to be determined when the titles become known. Sir Wesson reported that no couples have been attending the "couples" movie, so all future selections will be made on the basis that the attendees would be Sirs only.

TRAVEL: No Report.

RV: Sir Duane Porter stated that the RV Club had a great season. A Club meeting will be held soon to review the past year's season and plan the 2013 season.

THEATER: Sir Dave Palmer reported that the Theater Group had a very successful season, the attendance has been good and remains above the minimum number required to obtain favorable group rates for the tickets. SRT has released the 2013 Play Bill, and the plays and dates for 2013 will be selected soon. Finding a restaurant that will serve dinner to the group for \$25 may be a problem for 2013.

PINOCHLE: Sir Roland Patton requested approval for a game on Monday, October 1st at the Moose Lodge and Thursday, October 18th at the Elks Lodge.

HIKING GROUP: Sir Ralph Legg requested approval for a hike on either October 10th or 11th at Eagle Meadows.

MOUNTAIN BIKING: Sir Glenn Mutch requested approval for a biking trip on either October 17th or 24th starting at Fraser Flat.

FISHING: No Report.

FELLOWSHIP: Sir Bill Bamford sent a card to Sir Bob Johnson, who is recovering from a broken foot.

PROPANE GROUP: No Report.

HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS: Sir Cas Munoz requested approval for terminating this activity. Approved. (Munoz/Morrow)

HORSESHOE GROUP: Sir Cas Munoz requested approval to start a horseshoe pitching group. The horseshoe pits at Tuolumne City are available and well maintained. Following a group signup at Thursdays Luncheon, a time and date(s) will be selected.

APPROVAL OF ACTIVITIES: All requested activities listed in these Minutes are approved by this single motion. MSP (Honeychurch/Granados).

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: Little Sir Larry Bertuccelli thanked all the Sirs who have stepped to the plate to fill all the Chairs for 2013.

All business having been concluded, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 AM.

The next Branch Executive Committee Meeting will be 8:00 AM, Monday, October 29, 2012, at the Pine Tree Restaurant, next to the Best Western Motel, at 19601 Hess Avenue, Sonora, with breakfast starting at 7:00 AM. The monthly luncheons are held on the first Thursday of each month at the Sonora Elks' Lodge, with the exception of August, which is the Ladies Day Picnic, sponsored by the RV Club, at Railtown 1897 State Historic Park in Jamestown and December which will be on Wednesday, December 5th.

Dan Mohn Secretary