



SONS IN RETIREMENT

STATE BOARD MEETING

Elks Lodge - Vallejo, California

TUESDAY, APRIL 6, 2010 ~ 9:30 a.m.



TO: State Board Members -

President Floyd 'Buck' Kendrick
 Vice President Robert Mannell
 State Secretary Gary Gruber
 State Treasurer Mike Berry
 Asst State Secretary Harold 'Hal' Stephens
 Asst State Treasurer Karl Ryden

Regional Directors

1 Kenneth Edson	6 James Stedman
2 Ralph Lingis	7 Richard Kabanek
3 George Christman	8 John Levis
4 Larry Powers	9 Richard Dettmer
5 John Mason	10 Donald Davis

Invited participants

Past Presidents All Area Governors State Advisor Dwight Sale Chaplain Bill Short

Invited Appointees and Representatives of State Committees

Information Systems - Dwight Sale	Rules - Tom 'Smitty' Smith
Insurance - John Thomason	Publicity & Tools - Walter Schick
Nominations - Dave Reiser	Training - James Stedman
Growth and Membership - Harry Hubinger	Travel - Larry Garvin

~ AGENDA ~

- 9:30 a.m. CALL TO ORDER President Kendrick
 - Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance Chaplain Bill Short
 - Verification of Quorum (11 of 16) Secretary Gruber
 - Changes to the Agenda President Kendrick
- 9:35 a.m. MINUTES - Approval of Minutes from the 1/19/10 State Board meeting President Kendrick
- 9:40 a.m. PRESIDENT'S RECOGNITION OF ATTENDEES President Kendrick
 - (Regional Directors to introduce their Area Governors)
- 9:55 a.m. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS President Kendrick
 - Vice President's Comments Vice President Mannell
 - Secretary's Comments Secretary Gruber
 - Assistant Secretary's Comments Asst Secretary Stephens
 - Treasurer's Report Treasurer Berry
 - Assistant Treasurer's Report Asst Treasurer Ryden
- 10:30 a.m. REGIONAL DIRECTOR REPORTS Regional Directors
 - (In order from 1 to 10)
- 11:30 a.m. RECESS BREAK and SOCIAL INTERACTION
- 12:00 noon LUNCHEON
- 12:45 p.m. COMMITTEE REPORTS -
 - Nominations Chairman Dave Reiser
 - Information Systems Chairman Dwight Sale
 - Rules (proposed rules changes will be sent out via email) Chairman Smitty Smith
 - Growth and Membership Chairman Harry Hubinger
 - Publicity & Tools Chairman Walter Schick
 - Training Chairman Jim Stedman
 - Insurance Chairman John Thomason

1:15 p.m.	OLD BUSINESS	President Kendrick
	Audit Report	Treasurer Berry
	Annual Meeting mementos	Vice President Mannell
1:45 p.m.	NEW BUSINESS	
	Replacement of State Travel Chairman	President Kendrick
2:00 p.m.	LEADERSHIP STRATEGY SESSION	President Kendrick
	Resolution consideration	Training Chairman Stedman
	Membership reporting consideration	Training Chairman Stedman
	Incentive for recruitment achievement	President Kendrick
3:00 p.m.	CONCLUDING REMARKS	President Kendrick
3:15 p.m.	ADJOURNMENT	President Kendrick

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**Proposed Rule Changes
Submitted for the President's Consideration
And Submission to the State Board for Approval**

Rules Changes Approved by the Rules Committee
March 23, 2010
Tom Smith Chairman

The following rule changes were approved at the March 23rd meeting of the State Rules Committee:

Suggested Rule changes for Rule 25, Rule 300, Rule 843, Rule 295 (Dwight Sale). This proposal, as submitted by Dwight Sale and Gary Gruber changes the way we do business

RULE 25.Branch Charter Certificates. Upon a request by the President, the State Certificates Chairman will prepare an appropriate charter using the then current charter template and forward it to the awarding President or his designee for framing and awarding and will furnish a copy to the State Secretary for the branch file. See Rule 300 for detailed procedure. (Revised xx/xx/xx)

RULE 300. After a period of at least six months from the date of approval of Application Form 33 by the President, the Provisional Branch has been conducting its regular monthly luncheon meetings, and has a minimum of 50 active members and all other requirements have been met, chartering shall be implemented as follows.

- a. The Big Sir of the Provisional Branch shall so state in writing including his preference for an award date to the Area Governor, who shall indicate his approval and forward it through the Regional Director to the President for approval.*
- b. If the Provisional Branch is to be given the existing branch number of an "Interim Management" branch, the President shall notify the Big Sir, the Area Governor, the Regional Director, and the State Secretary of his approval or disapproval.*
- c. Upon approval, the President shall terminate the Provisional status of the branch in writing and approve the granting of a charter for the new branch and so notify the State Certificates Chairman who will prepare the charter and forward it to the awarding President or his designee for framing and awarding and will furnish a copy to the State Secretary for the branch file.*
- d. If the Provisional Branch is using the branch number whose corporation had been dissolved or if it is a new branch number/corporation then the President shall notify the Assistant State Secretary who shall take actions necessary to incorporate the branch.*
- e. The official Branch Charter Date is the date of the President's notification terminating the Provisional status of the Branch.*

(Revised xx/xx/xx)

RULE 843. When a branch has completed its Provisional status and the President has authorized the issuance of the charter, and a newly formed corporation is required, the Assistant State Secretary shall:

- a. Participate in the incorporation and California Tax Exemption procedures for the new branch.*
- b. Arrange with the Secretary of a newly Chartered Branch to obtain the Federal Employer Identification number -- by filing Federal Form SS-4 -- which is required of all tax exempt corporations within the State of California; and arrange for the new branch, after incorporation, to obtain the Federal Tax Exemption letter by filing Federal Forms 1024 and 8718.*
- c. File the required report(s) with the Internal Revenue Service so as to retain the Group Exemption status for all of the Branches.*

(Revised xx/xx/xx)

RULE 295. *The Branch Officers to serve during the Provisional period shall continue to serve following the granting of the charter until their successors have been duly elected and installed. Their duties shall be as prescribed for Branch Officers. (Revised xx/xx/xx)*

It was moved and seconded that the above proposals be moved forward with our approval.

Problem Statement: We wish to encourage new branches and the current Rule 286 implies that close declining branches could veto any new effort. We still need to consult with them, but we propose that the Governor clearly makes the decision.

RULE 286. The Area Governor shall confer with the appropriate Regional Director(s), Governors of contiguous Areas, and the Big Sirs of other Branches in the Areas to determine the effect of the proposed Provisional Branch on existing Branches. If approved, the Area Governor shall obtain Form 33 from the SIR Website or Assistant State Secretary, have them completed and forwarded to the President through the Regional Director. (Revised 11/14/06)

*New RULE 286. The Area Governor shall confer with the appropriate Regional Director(s), Governors of contiguous Areas, and the Big Sirs of other Branches in the Areas to determine the effect of the proposed Provisional Branch on existing Branches. **The Area Governor shall then** obtain Form 33 from the SIR Website or Assistant State Secretary, have them completed and forwarded to the President through the Regional Director. (Revised xx/xx/xx)*

Moved Dwight/ Seconded by Sale, that this motion be approved as presented. Motions passed 6-0.

Modify Member records to include Birth Date, Induction Date, and Sponsor (Article 1, Rule 177)

It was suggested by the committee that this proposal be modified to read as follows;

Rule 177. The Branch Secretary shall keep, or cause to be kept, in a place designated by the Branch Executive Committee, a list showing all the information on the original application Form #2. (revised xx/xx/xx)

Modify membership description (Article 2, Rule 50)

It was suggested that we modify Membership Description as described in Rule 50, Article 2 to read as follows:

Rule 50: Membership shall be open to men who are not devoting full-time to their career and can come to our monthly meetings, regardless of age, race, color, or religion (revised xx/xx/xx)

3. Establish Area Speaker and Publicity and Recruitment person to help Area Governor (New Part 2, Article 9, Rule 896)

It was moved, seconded and passed (6-0) that we establish a new Rule 896.

Rule 896: The Area Governor shall appoint an Area Travel Chairman and consider appointing chairman in Area golf, bowling, fishing, speakers exchange, publicity and recruitment, and such other activities as may be required.
