

Minutes of SIR Branch # 159
Branch Executive Committee (BEC) **September 14, 2017** at 10 am

Present were: Big Sir Gary Smith, Little Sir Mike Rumley, Secretary Vic Froehmer, Assistant Secretary Carl Merz, Treasurer Shane Petersen, Assistant Treasurer Roger Mc Coy, Directors: Mike Moyle (2017), Mike Williamson (2017), Dell Kerns (2018), Rich Lewis (2018), Duke Marshall (2019), Stuart Poytress (2019), and Roger Deal (Hon Dir)(excused) total of *12 of 13 for a quorum (at least 7 required)*. Others present included Howard Zinn, Reg Rosander, Perry Huffman, John Crawford, Ron Travis, Terry Byrne, Gary Morgan, Ray Allen, Allan Baxter, Gary Becker, Ron Wilson, Sal Morales, and others.

Big Sir: At 9:59 am **Gary Smith** called the meeting to order. **Vic Froehmer** confirmed a quorum was present.

Little Sir: **Mike Rumley** announced today's speaker is **John Alkire**, the CEO of the BIG Fresno Fair. Ron Wilson will receive Roster of The Walk Award MSP (unanimous vote). We collected \$100 from other branches at their luncheons for our Day at the Races. Grandstand tickets will be on sale today. Our banner will be on display and flyers handed out at entrance. Wear your Sir shirt. Election was unanimous for ballot presented. Today Mike announced each position and person filling it.

Secretary: **Vic Froehmer** and **Carl Merz's** minutes for August 10, 2017 were approved as presented. Motion made, Seconded, discussed and Passed (MSP) **Rich Lewis** wants dues referred to as assessments. Motion was made and seconded for Branch 159 to collect ASSESSMENTS, not dues. Motion passed with Vic Froehmer voting no.

Treasurer: **Shane Petersen** presented report and detail of income and expenses with an August 10, 2017 balance \$6,232.29 which includes \$500 in cash. MSP Discussion followed about cutoff date for 2018 assessment payment. Shane will have a calendar at October meeting. He will also look into finding a minimum amount we should have (reserve).

Membership: **John Crawford** reported that we have 198 active members plus 40 inactive. He requested BEC approval of 4 new members #29, #61, #64, #141, 0 members for termination, 1 member from active to inactive status #298, 0 members to return to active status, 0 members for Emeritus status, 1 person who has not attended consummation luncheon wishes to withdraw his application #55. MSP Add 1 new member to induction list for today who fulfilled all requirements #55. MSP

Attendance: **Duke Marshall** reported we have 198 active members, 125 members attended luncheon with 47 excused which is 63% of active members.

Telephones: **Ron Travis** reported today's luncheon estimate is 126.

Sunshine: No report on many members and their families that are having health issues, those that have recovered, and those no longer with us.

Chanticleer: Sir **Mike Williamson** has not found a backup for him. We need someone that is trained to get the newsletter out if Mike is unable to.

Computer Group: Back to regular schedule starting this month.

Golf: **Vic Froehmer** announced he is competing for Sir State Individual Championship. NCGA \$45 dues for 2018 must be paid to **Rich Lewis**.

Date Night: **Howard and Marty Zinn** September 20 at Old Spaghetti Factory. **Howard** has a list of places that will have us and give individual tabs. Host may use this list rather than running around asking places.

Travel: **Terry Byrne** has Day at the Races Monday, October 9 with **Carl Merz** as Chairman.

New Business:

Old Business:

Adjourned at 10:51 am ---- Secretary **Vic Froehmer and Carl Merz**