

SIR Minutes of Branch 159 Executive Committee

February 13, 2020

The meeting opened at 9:45 am at Pardini's Restaurant. BEC members present were Little Sir Bruce Corwin, Secretary Vic Froehmer, Assistant Secretary Robert Scott, and Assistant Treasurer Brett Bayley, Roger Deal (Honorary Director), Gary Morgan (2020), Steve Chase (2021), Pete Openshaw (2021), and Thomas Simpson (2022). Excused from the meeting were Big Sir Dell Kerns, Treasurer Brian Nicholson, Director Ron Wilson, and Director David Barredo (2022). Therefore, a quorum was present (9 of 13).

The minutes of the January 9, 2020 luncheon meeting were approved as submitted.

It was announced that the anticipated attendance for the luncheon this day would be 130 roosters. However, Pardini's was told to prepare for 120. Our speaker for the day would be Matthew Grundy from Habitat for Humanity.

Next form 28 was discussed. Cash on hand was pronounced to be \$9,844.45. A vote to accept the report was passed unanimously.

In regard to membership information, today's meeting would be the 299th meeting of Branch 159. A report about form 27 indicated that we remain at 215 members by adding two new members while losing two members. Also, the membership report indicated the branch has 11 members that could be terminated.

The January 2020 luncheon attendance was declared as 130.

The next item was the announcement that the RAMP committee would be having a meeting immediately after the BEC meeting.

Little Sir Bruce Corwin then asked who would want "mike time" during the meeting. Members Pete Openshaw, Fred Martinez, and Duke Marshall said they needed to speak during the luncheon.

Since the 2020 member assessments were due, the BEC discussed what would happen if a member has not paid their assessment by the conclusion of today's meeting. It was decided that a list of delinquent members would be prepared and an effort will be made to contact with a few of the regular members before March 1, 2020.

The Branch 159 Standard Operating Procedures was the next item presented. The procedures dated 2-13-2020 were unanimously approved.

Two computer programs that have been considered for communicating with our members are Constant Contact and Member Planet. After a review of these two options, it was decided that we would continue to use Google Email with some minor use of Member Planet. This item was approved unanimously.

We will be celebrating our 30 year anniversary at our April 9th meeting. To prepare for the celebration, Kopi Sotiropulos, a local television personality, has been invited to today's meeting. He will record the group and present a report on his television show on April 7th.

Several new business items were discussed. The first was an announcement that our March 12th meeting would have a St. Patrick's Day theme. It was suggested we all wear something green.

Second, we learned that Director Dave Barredo had to resign his board seat. John Crawford offered to replace him on the executive committee for his remaining term. Both actions were approved unanimously.

Third, a SIRs advertisement in the form of a poem was presented. The BEC accepted the work but suggested that our logo be added and the appearance be refined. The poem will be placed on each table today so members can review and comment on the document.

Also, we now have a card we can hand out to potential new members.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:18.

Secretaries Vic Froehmer and Robert Scott