

SIR Minutes of Branch 159 Executive Committee

May 13, 2021

The meeting was opened at 9:45 am by Bruce Corwin at Pardini's Restaurant. BEC members present were Big Sir Bruce Corwin, Little Sir Stuart Poytress, and Treasurer Brian Nicholson. Directors present were Pete Openshaw (2021), Steve Chase (2021), John Crawford (2022), Richard Glover (2023), and Javier Rodriguez (2023). Excused from the meeting were Secretary Robert Scott, Assistant Secretary Vic Froehmer, Assistant Treasurer Brett Bayley and Director Thomas Simpson (2022). Bruce Corwin proclaimed a quorum was present (8 of 12).

Next, a review of the April 8th meeting minutes was conducted. Steve Chase moved that the minutes be approved as presented, and Stuart Poytress seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

It was reported that "callers" had contacted members to determine the number of roosters who were planning to attend our May meeting. Pete Openshaw said he was expecting about 105 members to be at our luncheon.

Stuart Poytress then reported about the program for today's luncheon. Rick Ransom of 159 will discuss Reverse Mortgages. Stuart also reported that the program for July should be a great meeting and the speaker will be the son of a WWII hero talking about a book about his father.

The next item discussed involved the requests for "mike" time during the luncheon. Those requesting time to speak to the attendees were Duke Marshall, Fred Martinez, Pete Openshaw, and Terry Byrne.

Next, Brian Nicholson reviewed the Monthly Cash Report (Form 28). The cash balance at the end of April was \$10,887.79. Steve Chase moved the report be approved, and Stuart Poytress seconded the motion. The report was approved unanimously.

In regard to membership information, John Crawford reviewed the April 2021 Membership Report. At the end of April we had 202 active members. He then explained that additional new members would be inducted today when his report was approved by the Branch Executive Committee. John also reviewed the Monthly Branch Membership Report (Form 27). Steve Chase moved that both membership reports be accepted, and Stuart Poytress seconded the motion. The reports were unanimously approved.

Old Business was next on the agenda, and the first item for discussion was the golf pace of play. The golf committee met and decided that there would be no more walkers and the pace of play has improved since this matter was discussed.

The next old business topic involved CPR training for our members. It was suggested that we have a luncheon program to learn about CPR and provide a voluntary training and certification for SIR members. Stuart Poytress will address this.

New Business was next of the agenda. Bruce Corwin recommended the BEC approve Perry Huffman as a new HLM. Steve Chase moved that both membership reports be accepted, and Stuart Poytress seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.

Big Sir Bruce Corwin then discussed our COVID protocols passed down from the State and he will record people who signed waivers and have been vaccinated for COVID. He will also verify anyone who has not been vaccinated is not ill with the virus.

Our July meeting will be a joint meeting with other Fresno branches and we should expect a big crowd for the event. The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 am.

Acting Secretary Perry Huffman.