

## SIR Minutes of Branch 159 Executive Committee

February 10, 2022

The meeting opened at 10:15 am at Pardini's Restaurant. BEC officers present were Big Sir Stuart Poytress, Little Sir Richard Glover, Treasurer Brian Nicholson, Assistant Treasurer Steve Chase, Assistant Secretary Brett Bayley, and Secretary Robert Scott. Directors present were John Crawford (2022), Javier Rodriguez (2023), and Jerry Brady (2024). Excused from the meeting were Directors Thomas Simpson (2022), Roger McEvoy (2023), and Mark Isonio (2024). Stuart Poytress proclaimed a quorum was present (9 of 12).

Next, a review of the January 13, 2022 meeting minutes was conducted. Steve Chase moved that the revised minutes be approved, and Richard Glover seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

It was reported that "callers" had submitted their reports, and we have ordered 90 lunches for today's meeting.

Richard Glover announced that today's program will be Chuck Brough, a member of SIR 159. Chuck has taught economic courses at Fresno City College and California State University, Fresno. His program will feature historical time periods and events that have impacted economic styles and practices.

Next, the Monthly Cash Report (Form 28) was reviewed. Treasurer Brian Nicholson reported several activities that are indicated on his report. First, the collection of assessments resulted in \$1,025 in receipts. Next, we paid \$360 for the first installment of our State Board SIR 159 assessment. Brian also indicated that our January luncheon receipts exceeded our expenses by approximately \$48. Consequently, we had an ending cash balance of \$13,094.99 at the end of January. Brian also commented that we have received assessment payments from 176 of our members, but we have also learned, as of today's meeting, 17 members have decided to resign. Steve Chase moved the report be approved, and John Crawford seconded the motion. The report was approved unanimously.

In regard to membership information, John Crawford reviewed the January 2022 Membership Report and noted today would be our 322<sup>nd</sup> SIR 159 meeting. The report also indicated we inducted one new member and terminated 6 members during January, so our total membership is currently 203. The Membership Report also listed an additional seventeen members who have resigned for various reasons. Their resignations will be accepted when his report is approved. John also reviewed the Monthly Branch

Membership Report (Form 27). Referring to Form 27, John reminded us that we have gained 1 new member, but lost 6 so far this year, and we had 95 members and 1 guest at the January luncheon. Steve Chase moved and Jerry Brady seconded the motion that both membership reports be accepted. The reports were unanimously approved.

Next on the agenda under the heading of New Business was the need to determine microphone time during the meeting. It was indicated that Duke Marshal, Steve Chase, Bob Moore, Gary Morgan, and Terry Schneider would like to address the group.

The next new business item involved the Covid comfort level for luncheon attendees. To respond to the concerns, we requested that a few tables be set up with 6 rather than 8 chairs. If members want to sit at these tables with only 6 chairs, they need to arrive early and secure one of the “first come” seats. It was noted, however, that all of the tables for today’s luncheon had only 6 chairs. It is not known if this will continue in the future.

Next, Big Sir Steve Poytress reported we have two openings on our BEC. First, director Roger McEvoy (2023) is moving from the area. Next, Little Sir Richard Glover has accepted a temporary work assignment that will prohibit him from SIR activities for several months. We need replacements for these two positions. The Nomination Committee will meet to find candidates.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:47 am.  
Secretaries Robert Scott and Brett Bayley