

SIR Minutes of Branch 159 Executive Committee  
December 8, 2022

The meeting opened at 10:15 am at Pardini's Restaurant. BEC officers present were Big Sir Stuart Poytress, 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 Mark Isonio (2024). Stuart Poytress proclaimed we had a quorum (8 of 12) and opened the meeting.

Next, a review of the November 10, 2022 meeting minutes was conducted. Brett Bayley moved that the minutes be approved, and Steve Chase seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Based upon inquiries during the calls to members, we have ordered 89 lunches for today's meeting. In addition, it was reported we still need members willing to fill two vacant caller positions.

It was then announced that there would not be a program for today's meeting.

Next, the Monthly Cash Report (Form 28) was reviewed. Treasurer Brian Nicholson reported the financial activities during November 2022 involved several significant transactions. In regard to General Accounts, we received \$1,375 during November from Branch 159 member assessments for 2023 and disbursed \$115 for wine and candy we distribute to members at each luncheon. The report also stated we actually received a net gain for luncheon costs because of a credit from Pardini's for the October luncheon. Consequently, the cash balance at the end of November was \$11,339.75. Brett Bayley moved that the report be approved and Steve Chase seconded the motion. The report was approved unanimously.

In regard to membership information, John Crawford first reviewed the November Membership Report. The report shows today will be the 332<sup>th</sup> meeting of our branch. The report shows we inducted one new during November to bring our total membership to 190 members. However, John indicated that the BEC will approve the termination of 4 members when they accept the November Membership Report. Consequently, despite adding 15 new members this year, we have 17 fewer members than we had at the beginning of January 2022. Next, John reviewed Form 27 that supported the Membership Report. He mentioned our November luncheon attendance of only 87 members. Steve Chase moved and Brett Bayley seconded the motion that both membership reports be approved. There was unanimous approval. At this point, the BEC acknowledged John Crawford for all of his years of work maintaining our membership records and other administrative activities..

Under the heading of Old Business, two items were mentioned. First, the office of Treasurer will be filled by Bruce Corwin until Garry Elliott and Keith Lovgren become familiar with the duties of the position. Second, Treasurer Brian Nicholson reported that 95 members have paid their 2023 membership assessment leaving 93 remaining to be collected.

New Business discussions also concerned two topics. The BEC felt it might be beneficial to remind the members during our luncheon that a new roster/directory would be published in

March of 2023, and now would be the time to review individual entries to determine if their current entry is accurate. The second item involved an idea to revise the distribution of our luncheon drawing. Brian Nicholson moved and Brett Bayley seconded the motion that the total amount collected would be distributed each month. The motion passed unanimously.

The final action concerned microphone time at today's luncheon. It was determined that Duke Marshall, Brian Nicholson, and Fred Martinez wanted to address the group.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:38 am.

Secretaries Robert Scott and Brett Bayley