

SIR Minutes of Branch 159 Executive Committee
November 14, 2024

The meeting opened at 10:15 am at Pardini's Restaurant. BEC officers present were Big Sir Steve Chase, Little Sir Mike Parker, Assistant Treasurer Keith Lovgren, and Secretary Robert Scott. Directors present were Jerry Brady (2024), Mark Isonio (2024), Russ Conrad (2025), and Robert Ying (2025). Robert Scott proclaimed a quorum was present (8 of 12), and Big Sir Steve Chase opened the meeting.

Next, a review of the October 2024 meeting minutes was conducted. Jerry Brady moved that the minutes be accepted, and Mark Isonio seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Based upon inquiries during the calls to members, we found 90 members who stated that they were planning to attend our luncheon today. Bruce Corwin ordered 90 lunches from Pardini's.

Little Sir Mike Parker then announced that John Creaney, Golf Operations Manager at Eagle Springs Golf and Country Club, would be presenting his experiences as he has pursued a career as a professional golfer.

Next, the October Monthly Cash Report (Form 28) was reviewed. Bruce Corwin reported the General Account income of \$200 was from dues and our 50/50 drawing. The disbursements of \$1,116 involved officer expenses, a state board payment, and a newspaper advertisement. In regard to our custodial accounts, our luncheon income exceeded our luncheon expense by \$84. Therefore, our cash balance at the end of October 2024 was \$9,202.20. Mike Parker moved that the report be approved, and Jerry Brady seconded the motion. The report was approved unanimously.

The following agenda item concerned the membership reports. The Membership Report indicated that today would be the 355th meeting of SIRs Branch 159. As of the end of October, we had 178 members. To date during 2024, we have inducted 25 new members but also lost 25. At today's luncheon, we have an additional six members that are eligible to be inducted upon approval of this report. Mike Parker moved that the Membership Report be approved, and Keith Lovgren seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The Form 27 report was then reviewed. At our October luncheon, 51% of our membership was in attendance. Jerry Brady moved that the Form 27 report be approved, and Mark Isonio seconded the motion. There was unanimous approval.

The first old business item involved securing officer signatures on our bank accounts. This task is not yet completed, but meetings will be arranged soon.

The next old business item concerned our historical records. Arrangements are still being made to secure the bins and evaluate the documents.

The final old business item was a report on our attempt to find new prospects for membership in SIRs 159 through newspaper advertisements. Recently, we ran our approved ad two times in Sunday editions of the Fresno Bee. At this point, we have not received any public responses.

The only new business item involved our Christmas luncheon. The board discussed the idea of inviting nonmembers to our December luncheon. The idea was to include wives, significant others, friends, and guests. After some discussion about past Christmas luncheon experiences, it was decided that we would present the idea to the attendees of today's luncheon.

Microphone time at our meeting today will include Hector Leyva, Brian Nicholson, and Mike Parker

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:32 am.

Secretaries Robert Scott and Brett Bayley