

SIR Minutes of Branch 159 Executive Committee
February 13, 2025

The meeting opened at 10:15 am at Pardini's Restaurant. BEC officers present were Big Sir Mike Parker, Little Sir Duke Marshall, Senior Treasurer Bruce Corwin, Assistant Treasurer Keith Lovgren, Assistant Secretary Brett Bayley, and Secretary Robert Scott. Directors present were Robert Ying (2025), Pete Openshaw (2026), Butch Evans (2026), John Briceno (2027), and Reg Salsman (2027). Robert Scott proclaimed a quorum was present (11 of 13), and Big Sir Mike Parker opened the meeting.

Next, a review of the January 2025 meeting minutes was conducted. Bruce Corwin moved that the minutes be accepted, and Brett Bayley seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Based upon inquiries during the calls to members, we found 99 members who stated that they were planning to attend our luncheon today. Bruce Corwin ordered 90 lunches from Pardini's.

Little Sir Duke Marshall then announced that Bob Price would be our program for today. Bob is going to review financial planning for seniors. The subjects he plans to cover include wills, trusts, IRA distributions, and charitable donation options.

Next, the January 2025 Monthly Cash Report (Form 28) was reviewed. Bruce Corwin reported the General Account income totaled \$308. The net custodial amount was a minor loss of \$16 which resulted from luncheon expenses exceeding income. Brett Bayley moved that the report be accepted, and Robert Ying seconded the motion. There was unanimous approval.

The following agenda item concerned the membership reports. Brett Bayley explained that during January we gained two new members but lost ten. However, we have four potential members that will be eligible for induction when the Membership Report is approved today. Regarding the Form 27 report, we had 176 members at the end of January. Therefore, we are down 8 members from the beginning of the year. Brett also reported that we had 90 members at our luncheon in January which is 51% of our total membership. Bruce Corwin moved that the membership reports be approved, and Keith Lovgren seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The first old business item involved securing officer signatures for our bank accounts. This task has been completed.

The next old business item concerned our historical records. Various efforts have been made to gain possession of our records since our last meeting. When we have the containers, the goal is to bring them to the following monthly luncheon. At that time, all members will be given the opportunity to review and evaluate each item.

The following old business topic was a report from Bruce Corwin about the standing of our collection of 2025 member assessments. Bruce reported that 144 of our branch members have paid their 2025 assessment. A group of volunteers will be contacting the members who have not

paid to determine their intentions. The results of the calls will be discussed at our March meeting.

The final old business agenda topic concerned the required annual audits of our Branch and our golf club. Bruce Corwin reported that the Branch 159 audit has been successfully finished. In regard to the branch golf club audit, Brett Bayley is planning to meet with our golf chairman and complete the golf audit prior to our March meeting.

The first new business item involved discussing various options of managing our birthday and anniversary tables. The different topics introduced into the discussion included (a) service of champagne to the celebrants, (b) including the tables in our table numbering process, (c) and monitoring attendance at the tables. In the end, it was decided that we would continue the discussion at our next monthly meeting to give the BEC members time to decide this issue.

Item two on the new business list was the proposal to utilize KVPR advertising to attract new members. This item was continued to next meeting.

The third new business item concerned the February SIR State President's newsletter and specifically the opportunity to SIRs to get involved with the Grouper organization. As more information from state SIRs comes available, we will consider this opportunity.

The fourth new business topic involved our Sunshine Committee. It was questioned how we determine members who are having difficulties. It was indicated that our callers make direct contact with members each month. Therefore, they are the easiest choice to find members who need attention. Pete Openshaw, our Caller Chairman, offered that he will ask the callers to perform this duty when he sends out the next caller lists.

The last new business item concerned updating the Branch 159 operating procedures. This list has not been revised for several years, and since it is included on our website, it needs to be current. Bruce Corwin, John Briceno, Duke Marshall, and Robert Scott will offer suggestions about changes that need to be made.

Bruce Corwin then reminded the board that we are required to approve a list of our branch activities at the beginning of each year. The list includes all of our social activities including Dine Out and our cruise. Keith Lovgren moved and Robert Ying seconded the motion that the list be approved. There was unanimous approval.

Microphone time at our meeting today will include Fred Martinez, Hector Leyva, Brian Nicholson, and Duke Marshall.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:59 am.

Secretaries Robert Scott and Brett Bayley