The Executive Board of our Gateway Chapter169 met at 9:37 am on Tuesday, January the 13th.

Scott Barcus, our Big SIR reported that via ZOOM, he had attended a Fireside Chat hosted by SIR State President, Stu Williams. Scott was impressed by the Mr. Williams presentation and was encouraged to hear that the resumption of golf was a priority. The agenda of the session can be accessed on the State SIR website. Further, a Leadership Summit is scheduled later this week. Members of the Board have been in contact with our Luncheon caterer, Pardini’s who are projecting that we may be able to resume holding our monthly luncheons there, starting in June.

The newest member of the Board is Dan Lindstrum and we welcomed him to this key position in our club. Wanting to properly fulfill his duties as Little SIR, Dan requested guidance from all re what should be done during this period of no luncheons in terms of recruiting and lining up speakers and other programs. As the out-going Little SIR, Scott advised that while currently there is a lesser need to focus on the immediate recruitment of presenters, it is important to give some attention to line up speakers or programs that might be available on-call to cover for the times when the scheduled program finds it necessary to back out at the last minute prior to a meeting.

As Secretary, Jim Forden reported that with the flock of new members that have joined 169 over the past six months, we now have 98 members on our Roster. Prior to publishing a new and updated Directory, there is a need to correct the information that is now in the file for each member. In an effort to accomplish this, he will be sending out to each of us a copy of the personal information that we have on file. Each member, please review your Roster page, and let us know if there are corrections that need to be made. Each of the new members are asked to send a head shot or group photo to Jim for posting next to your info in the Directory.

**Treasurer: 1)** Duane Evans presented the current Treasury Report which was discussed MSC (2 He then described in detail the accounting records prepared for audit and reported that within the accounts held for the two recent fund raising efforts. Our accounts will see little change over the next four or five months because we are not being assessed for our contribution to the state SIR budget and accordingly, we will not be collecting our dues.

Ed Dorn reported that while there no SIR sponsored activities be held locally, there is a Friends of Golf group that has been playing with strict COVID related safety measures in place. He also surprised our Chapter Director with an award for hitting a hole-in-one in a recent outing.

Scott Barcus shared with the Board that ne of our members has raised the question as to whether there may be sufficient interest among the membership to start a Book Club. This group would select a title to read each period and convene to discuss the work and its significance.

RE the Newsletter, Lee Nichols: While the development of our Newsletter is now for the most part complete, due to the suspension of activities, there is little content to publish. This was discussed at the meeting with the conclusion that for the present, we simplify our communications throu

gh a periodic letter from the Big SIR, or similar means. Discussion ensued regarding the need for all us in our Chapter to continue to communicate our members, keeping in contact in ways that protect our own health and that of others,

Meeting was adjourned at 11:17 am