**SIR CHAPTER 169**

**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES Date: November 8, 2022**

**Big SIR, Dan Linstrom called the meeting to order at 10:00 am**

**Attending:** Duane Evans; Ed Dorn, Jim Forden; Ted Fox; Bob Large; Jim Hiney; Bernie Hollenbeck; Nick Lopez; Dan Lindstrom; Luis Rodriquez. Guest: Joe Russo, Big SIR, Branch175<http://www.pge.com/en_US/residential/customer-service/help/contact-pge-landing/contact-us.page>

**Big SIR:** Dan reported that: The Yosemite Falls Restaurant on Blackstone Ave. has told him that they can provide whatever meeting space and food that we will need for our January to April of 2023 luncheons.

**Little SIR:** Position currently vacant, but Dan reported that he has secured Bullard Talent for our December luncheon

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** MSC

**PROGRAM OR SPEAKER TODAY:** Our program speaker today will be John Cotter (LTC USA retired), who is the current Head of Security the IRS in Fresno.

Bernie reported that a total of 57 men will be attending the luncheon today.

**SECRETARY**: Nothing new to report.

**TREASURER** : MSC with current Treasury balance reported to be $3,038.63. Additionally, Nick requested that we include a reminder in the Newsletter regarding the dues increase that will be effective in January 2023.

**ACTIVITIES: 1)** Ed Dorn presented the 2033 Golf Schedule, noting that Eagle Springs will not be on the list due to increased fees, and that neither that course nor Sherwood Forest were going to allow a Shotgun start. Despite this latter problem Sherwood will remain on the schedule. MSC to approve the Golf Schedule for implementation. **2)** The Couples Night Out this month will be at the Namikazi Restaurant located at Champlain and Perrin Aves.

**MEMBERSHIP: 1)** Jim Hiney reported that we have one new application from Bill George and continue to hold one from Manny Perales. MSC to approve Bill George for induction. 2) It was reported that both Roderick Robinson and Jeffrey Ring are requesting that they be Dropped from our membership rolls.

**SUNSHINE REPORT:** Bernie reported that the callers have been unable to contact Ed Hanson and that Mike Barabe has some health issues, so keep in your thoughts and support.

**OLD BUSINESS:** 1). Regarding the submission of our expected luncheon attendance, caterers are pleased when the counts are exceeded because they also prepare lunches for more in order to come up short when the meals are distributed. At the same time, these providers are not pleased when the reported counts are greater than the attendance.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Area Governor, Dale Decker has notified Dan, as our Big SIR that Chapters 175 and 179 have expressed an interest in the possibility of merging with our Chapter 169. Attending our Board meeting today as a guest, is Joe Russo, a member of Chapter 175. Joe reports that his membership will be voting tomorrow regarding their interest in merging with us. Jim Hiney pointed out that the process of accomplishing such a merger is specified in detail in the SIR State Manual. As our Big SIR, Dan will send a letter to his counterparts in the other two Chapters, expressing our interest and support of the merger(s), with the stipulation that if the merger(s) do materialize that the incoming chapters be represented on the Board of the resultant organization.

Meeting adjourned at 10:55 am

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:** Jim Forden, Secretary