**SIR CHAPTER 169**

**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES Date 11/14/2023**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Big SIR, Jim Hiney called the meeting to order at 10:01 am

**ATTENDING:** Frank Bavaro; Manny Contino; Paul Dehn; Ed Dorn; John Eleazarian; Duane Evans;; Jim Forden; Ted Fox; Jim Hiney; Bernie Hollenbeck; Bob Large; Nick Lopez; Luis Rodriquez; Ernie Sopp

**GUESTS:** None today

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** MSC as submitted

**BIG SIR:** Jim Hiney: 1) Reported that beginning 2024, State SIR will be increasing the per person assessment to $2.50/quarter. Additionally, the member count provided at the end of the first quarter will remain as a constant through the duration of the year. Discussion followed re the consequences of this new approach, particularly as it will impact growing vs. declining Chapters of our organization. By consensus, our Chapter concluded that the move taken by the State without normal consultation with the chapters needs to be directly addressed and instructed incoming Big SIR Ernie Sopp to invite our Area Representative, Bruce Corwin to our January meeting to discuss the topic. 2) As the next item on his agenda, Jim distributed Pardinis catering proposal for the upcoming year. If accepted by the Chapter, the per person luncheon cost will be increased to $23/person. Discussion followed with MSC to accept the proposed contract. 3) Jim then raised questioned whether our Chapter dues structure should be revisited in to address the increased costs. Following a discussion of this issue, it was the consensus of the Board members that……4) Jim reminded that our Board members for 2024 need to be inducted and suggested that the induction should be made at todays luncheon. MSC to induct the 2024 Board today.

**Little SIR:** Ernie Sopp gave the good news that together, he and Luis Rodriguez had secured program speakers for the majority of next year’s meetings and today, Dr. Raul Sandoval, President of Fresno State will be the program speaker.

**Secretary:** Jim Forden reported: 1) Currently there are 167 members on the SIR 169 Roster. The total rose to 170 during the month, but two members passed away during the period; one was dropped due to non-participation, another for serious illness and one new number was inducted. 2) In a continuing effort to capture the missing personal data for our Roster, forms have been created that will be used to obtain the information from members as they sign in for todays luncheon.

**Treasury Report:** Nick Lopez reported that after addressing expenditures of $2,479.70, and collecting income of $10,870.52; there is a current balance in the Chapter’s checking account of $8,340.52. Adding in a Petty Cash amount of $100, there is a total of $8,440.52 of cash available for the operation of the Chapter. MSC to approve the report as submitted.

**Activities:** Ed Dorn reported: 1)The 2024 SIR 169 Golf Schedule has been finalized and is submitted for approval. MSC to approve the Schedule as submitted. 2) Participating golfers need to submit their annual NCGA dues by the end of December to keep their approved handicaps active. 3) The Couples Dine Out group will be meeting for dinner this month at BJs Restaurant and Brew House, located adjacent to the Fashion Fair Shopping Center.

**Membership:** In his role as Membership Chairman, Jim Hiney reported that while he has no new applications in hand, one approved candidate, Manny Perales will be presented for induction today.

**Sunshine Report:** Bernie Hollenbeck shared with the Board that Lloyd Snavely had suffered a knee injury; Harvey Johnson was experiencing some issues with his back; and both Cletus Von Turk and Fred Bates were addressing medical concerns.

**Old Business:** Nothing to address at this meeting.

**New Business:** Nothing new on the agenda.

**Adjournment:** 11:06 am

**Respectfully Submitted:** Jim Forden, Secretary