

SIRS Branch 145 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

June 8, 2021

1.0 Call to Order at 1:05 pm.

2.0 Roll Call: **2.0 Roll Call:** The following officers and directors were present for a zoom virtual meeting: Paul Wright, Mark Wahlman, Bill Rutherford, Stephen Helmer, Tony Moles, Harry Martin and John Coakley. The following members were absent:, Phil Schrock, Richard Baines, and Robert Gorbet.

3.0 Guests: None present

4.0 Approval of the Minutes for March 9

A motion was made by John C. and seconded by Harry M. to approve the minutes of the May 11 meeting. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

5.0 Treasurer's Report/Action

5.01 Treasurer's Report: Harry reported that the beginning balance was \$1581.20. Our branch had an ending balance of \$1502.42. There was one newsletter expenditure for \$78.78. A motion was made by Bill R. and seconded by John C. to approve the Treasurer's report. The vote to approve was unanimous.

6.0 Committee reports

6.1 Membership: Stephen reported he had three applications for membership pending. He presented each application separately for consideration. The first was Tom Pratt. Tom is a transfer from the Roseville branch so there was no need for a vote on his application. His transfer was accepted. Next, Roger Bowman's application for membership was presented. The motion to accept his application was made by Mark W. and seconded by John C. The motion passed unanimously. Gene Davenport's application for membership was accepted with a motion made by Bill R. and seconded by John C. The motion passed unanimously. We had a resignation from member Stan Hensley as he moved out of state. David Derr's membership was also terminated as he moved out of the area.

6.2 Golf Audit: Mark W. presented the golf audit to the committee. He had sent the actual report earlier via email for our early study. Mark noted that receipts were down from golf due to the pandemic. There were 11 tournaments this year while there were 19 tournaments in the previous year. Mark noted there was nothing out of the ordinary in the audit except for returns due to cancelled tournaments. Again, this was due to the pandemic. A motion was made by Harry M. to accept the audit. The motion was seconded by Tony M. The motion passed unanimously. Bill added that we had lost about 20 members from golf from the two branches, but we had also picked up about 10 new members in the mean time. We have good participation. Mark complimented Bill on his good work with the golf group and with his good records management of the program.

7.0 Old Business

7.1 In-Person Meeting : Paul stated the obvious question at hand is whether we begin in-person meetings. There was a discussion. Bill R. made the motion that we start in-person meetings in July with each attendee meeting the SIRS protocols for attendance at meetings. The motion was seconded by John C. The motion passed unanimously. Paul volunteered to be the greeter, who would check for vaccinations or test documentations from each member to secure a SIRS waivers to attend the meeting.

The collection of the waivers will be maintained by the secretary. Bill will provide his computer files to the Secretary as a starting point. The Secretary, Tony, will be in charge of the master list.

Paul noted that there will be no speaker at our first meeting so we can summarize how the SIRS organization has arrived at this point. There will also be a question and answer period as well. SIRS protocols will also be in effect for the meal service.

7.2 Wine Appreciation: Mark and Debi hosted the wine appreciation in May. All had a good time with lots of food available.

7.3 Income Generation:

7.2.1 Newsletter Ads: No new ads have been received. Paul reminded members that each member will receive a free lunch for every ad they secure for the newsletter.

7.2.2 Annual Dues: Paul noted we had discussed various amounts, but that we had settled around \$20 to \$25. The annual dues will be brought up at the general meeting as a discussion item. The consensus was that we would discuss it further after our general meeting.

7.2.3 Picnic: Paul suggested we not have a picnic this year because of the logistics. It is already June, and the time line to even meet a September picnic would be very difficult. Paul stated that we should focus on the pandemic issues and the dues matter. There was a short discussion of the issue. Bill R. motioned that we table the picnic until 2022. John C seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

7.4 Reaching Out to Members: Paul thought it might be unnecessary to reach out to members especially with the roundtable discussion to be held at the meeting. It was also thought the phone tree was unnecessary at this time. A discussion ensued. The general consensus was that we do not need a phone tree at this time. We will reconsider a phone tree at the next BEC meeting.

8.0 Old Business

8.1 Nominating Committee: Paul stated he would like the committee's work to be done by August. There are several positions that need to be filled, including Little

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Sir, two directors chairs, and an assistant Treasurer. Paul also noted there are no requirements for nominating committee membership. Harry asked that a note about nominations for the BEC be placed in the Newsletter. He also noted that bylaws state that a vote should be taken in August. Members who volunteered to be on the Nominating Committee were Paul W., Mark W., Stephen H., and John C..

9.0 Good of the Order: Bill R. reported that he had attended the Stockton SIRS Chapter meeting and that they had an interesting speaker. A former WWII Italian soldier, who became a spy for the allies. He was speaking on the recently written book entitled, "Under A Blazing Sky". He thought it might be interesting to have him speak at our club. Bill also stated that we are invited to attend the SIRS Stockton meetings if we like.

11.0 Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 2:16 pm. The motion to adjourn was made by Mark W. and seconded by Harry M. The motion passed unanimously.

Submitted By Tony Moles, Secretary.