SIRS Branch 145 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

July 13, 2021

1.0 Call to Order at 1:08 pm.

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

3.0 Guests: Richard Provost, Regional Governor

4.0 Approval of the Minutes for March 9

A motion was made by Harry M. and seconded by Mark W. to approve the minutes of the June 8 meeting. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

5.0 Treasurer's Report/Action

5.01 Treasurer's Report: Harry reported that the new balance was \$1419.42. There was one newsletter expenditure for \$83. The beginning balance was \$1502.42.

6.0 Committee reports

6.1 Membership: Stephen noted he was checking on the membership status of Ryan Cannon. A question was asked as to when members are officially added to the membership rolls. Stephen said that golfers are added when they attend tournaments, but otherwise members are not added until they are officially pinned at a meeting. He was also asked how many members had been added in the last several months. He noted that about eight members had been added. Stephen reported he had two applications for membership pending. The first was Brad Hust. The motion to accept his application was made by Bill R. and seconded by Mark W. The motion passed unanimously. Richard Hanner's application for membership was accepted with a motion made by Phil S. and seconded by Bill R. The motion passed unanimously.

6.2 Golf: Bill R. referred to his report made during the general meeting. He noted that our golf area membership is up to 105 members.

7.0 Old Business

7.1 In-Person Meeting: Paul asked for input and a review of the discussion from the general meeting. He noted that he will add a sign to the back door directing members to the front door for check-in. It was also noted that Elkhorn needs to improve their sound system. It was suggested that a different speaker system or arrangement might be considered. Harry noted that we lost \$33 on the luncheon. However, we made \$46 on the raffle. A discussion followed regarding the free lunches that have been provided for advertising and new member additions. A motion was made by Harry M. and seconded by Bill R. to no longer offer free lunches to members. The vote was 6 in favor of the motion, and two no votes from Phil S. and Bob G. The motion passed. Paul

also stated that he had provided cookies for dessert so that members would not be disappointed with a lack of dessert. Thank you, Paul.

- **7.2 Income Generation:** Paul felt the consensus from the meeting regarding dues was that \$25 as an annual dues would be acceptable by membership. A short discussion followed. A motion was made by Bill R. and seconded by Mark W. that the dues be \$25 annually, and that we reassess the dues policy in January 2022. An amendment was made to the motion by Bill R. and seconded by Phil S. that dues would be prorated from August. The amendment to the motion passed unanimously. Therefore the dues for this calendar year will be \$10. The first motion was voted on, and it passed unanimously as well. Dues will begin in August and the policy reassessed in January 2022.
- 7.3 Reaching Out to Members: Paul began by stating we have had several meetings in which we have discussed reaching out to members with a phone call. Paul noted that we had done a reach-out several months ago, and it seemed to be effective. Harry thought it was very important to reach out to members since we had just voted to collect a dues. Paul also felt that choosing the right time to call was very important as well. The Reach-Out committee will consist of the following members: Harry M., Mark W., Stephen H., Paul W., and Tony M. Stephen will compile a list of members to be called by removing golfers and those members who were present at today's general meeting from the call list. Bill R. will send golfers an email update. It was the consensus of the BEC that members who were not present at today's meeting would be called. Stephen will send the list to Paul, and Paul will divide and send the list onto to the committee members. Paul will develop the protocols to be used in the phone calls, and he will then send all of this information to committee members for the reach-out calls.
- **7.4 Nominating Committee:** A nominating committee was formed last month. Thus far the committee has the following candidates: Big Sur: Mark Wahlman, Past Big Sur: Paul Wright, Little Sir: Felix Moran, Tom Pratt (will assist with speakers), Treasurer: Harry Martin, Assistant Treasurer,: Ron Mettler, Secretary: Tony Moles, Director: Robert Gorbet (Will retire on January 1, 2022), Director-at-Large: Bill Rutherford, Director: Phil Schrock, Director: John Coakley. Other possible Directors candidates are as follows: Phil Honkala, Ernie Baca, and Mike Lynn. Richard Baines will retire from his position.

8.0 New Business

- **8.1 Elect-Director at Large: This item was completed first on the agenda today.** A motion was made by Mark W. and seconded by Robert G. to elect Bill Rutherford to the Director-at-Large role to complete Chester George's term, who has retired from the BEC. The motion passed unanimously. Bill R. is elected Director-at-Large.
- **8.2 Approve 2021 Christmas Luncheon:** Paul reported that Paul Reiner has again arranged for the Woodbridge Country Club to be available for the Christmas

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Luncheon. The dinner cost is \$28, and the date is December 8. A motion was made by Phil S. and seconded by Bill R. to approve the Christmas Luncheon which will be held at the Woodbridge Country Club on Dec 8 for a fee of \$30 per person. The motion passed unanimously.

9.0 Good of the Order: A question was raised concerning the implementation of the dues. It was decided that Paul will make note of it in the newsletter, and it will also be included in the reach-out phone calls and emails. The dues checks are to be mailed to Harry M.. As was noted earlier, the pro-rated dues for this year will be \$10. It is hoped that members will pay their dues before the August meeting. The Newsletter will go out a little earlier than usual to expedite the implementation of the dues policy. A discussion was held as to what happens to members who do not pay their dues. Some suggestions were that members would be dropped from the membership rolls if they do not pay their dues, or they would not be allowed to attend the meetings.

11.0 Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 pm.

Submitted By Tony Moles, Secretary.