SIRS Branch 145 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

September 9, 2025

1.0 Call to Order at 1:09 pm.

2.0 Roll Call: The following officers and directors were present for the meeting: Mark W., John C., Bill R., Joe S., Mike L., Glenn N., Felix M., David S., Stephen H., and Tony M.

Absent: Juan O.

3.0 Guests: None

4.0 Approval of the Minutes for August 12, 2025: A motion was made by David S. and seconded by Bill R. to approve the minutes for August 12, 2025. The motion passed unanimously. Mark suggested we clear up the issue of purchasing T-Shirts for the women who helped with the picnic. After a discussion, a motion was made by Bill R. and seconded by Glenn N. to fund the purchase of the T-Shirts for the women who helped with the Picnic in May. The motion passed unanimously.

5.0 Treasurer's Report/Action

Joe reported that the beginning balance was \$2263.64 with an income of \$1201.00 including \$1100 for lunch, \$61 for the raffle, and \$40 for dues. The expenses for the month were \$1228.43. This included \$767.30 for lunch, \$125 to Temple for the Newsletter, cookies for lunch \$19.98, postage for David for the Newsletter \$16.09, and \$300 for the Lodge fee. We had a net income of \$295.00 for the month. The ending balance was \$2236.28. It was also noted that Mike L. donated his winnings from the Raffle of \$61.00 to Branch 145. *The motion to accept the financial report was moved by John C. and seconded by Bill R. The motion passed unanimously.*

6.0 Committee Reports

6.1 Membership: Stephen reported there are 120 members in Branch 145. There are also six men who have not been officially inducted. We had one application for membership today from Douglas Waterhouse, who is sponsored by Tony M. A motion was made by Glenn N. and seconded by Bill R. to accept Douglas Waterhouse's Application. The motion passed unanimously. Today, we also inducted John Seahorn bringing our total membership to 121. Mark motioned that we need to remove any members in the next two weeks who have not paid their dues from our membership roster as the quarterly assessment is coming in October. It was seconded by Bill R. The motion passed unanimously. Joe and Stephen will work together to complete the list of members who have not paid their dues. They will email that information to Tony M., who will send the letter out to those members stating that they will be removed from our membership rolls if they do not pay their dues. A motion to accept the membership report was made by Bill R. and seconded by Mike L. The motion passed unanimously.

- **6.2 Golf:** Bill reported that our next golf event is at Castle Oaks on Sept. 10. Bill noted that he is volunteering at a Napa Tournament where there will be 10 to 12 Rider Cup quality players in the Tournament. He encouraged members to volunteer. Its a great way to help out and to also see some fine golf. Bill reported that NCGA dues is going up to be \$55 next year.
- **6.3 Picnic Activity:** Dave S. reported that Ed Oyler has volunteered to be CoChair with him on the Picnic Committee. David noted he is looking into changing the menu for the picnic. He was suggesting a BBQ or a caterer like Sandra from the Elks Lodge or Lockeford Sausage. He will look into food alternatives. Joe S. also volunteered to be on the Picnic Committee.
- **6.4 Speakers:** Mark noted that Janelle Wilkerson from the LOEL Center was our speaker today. In October our speaker will be Steve Ding. He is our Supervisor from District 4. In November our speaker will be Tony Buttera who is from Modesto, and he will be discussing Financial Issues for retirees. In January, it was suggested our speaker might be someone from the Maritime Museum.

7.0 Old Business

- **7.1 Area 18 Competition:** Mark noted there was to be a competition with other branches in our area to see which branch had the most new member signups. There has been no communication on this matter. So the item was tabled for now.
- **7.2 Maritime Museum:** The letter noting our support for the Museum has not been sent yet. The August minutes stated Mike L. was the contact person for this item.

8.0 New Business

- **8.1 Christmas Luncheon:** Mark reviewed the vote that was taken at the luncheon today, and members were in favor of continuing to have the Christmas Luncheon at the Woodbridge Country Club even if the cost was \$45 to \$50 per person. The motion at the luncheon passed with overwhelming support.
- **8.2 Cable Station Spot:** Glenn N. attempted to make contact with the local cable station as per the discussion at the August meeting, but he had no success. This item was tabled for now.

9.0 Good of the Order: None

10.0 Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 1:46 pm.

Submitted By Tony Moles, Secretary.

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