# SIRS Branch 145 Executive Committee Meeting Minutes August 13, 2024

**1.0 Call to Order** at 1:04 pm.

**2.0 Roll Call**: The following officers and directors were present for the meeting: Juan O., Paul W., Bill R., Stephen H., Felix M., Joe S., Mark W., and Tony M.

Absent: Mike L., Mark W., and John C.

**3.0 Guests:** John Cardoza, Travel Rep.

## 4.0 Approval of the Minutes for July 9, 2024:

A motion was made by Paul W. and seconded by Bill R. to approve the minutes for the July 9, 2024 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

## 5.0 Treasurer's Report/Action

Joe reported a beginning balance of \$3742.15. The expense for the Newsletter was \$117.20, and the lunch cost was \$858. Total Expenses were \$1374.20. We had income from the raffle of \$45, and lunch income was \$833. Total income was \$1123. This left an ending balance of \$3490. *The motion to accept the financial report was moved by Bill R. and seconded by Paul W. The motion passed unanimously.* 

# **6.0 Committee Reports**

- **6.1 Membership:** Stephen reported that we had 89 members at the beginning of August, but Ron Russell moved bringing membership down to 88. Larry Krause was reinstated today when he paid his dues, and Rick Okazaki joined bringing our membership to 90. **The motion to accept the membership report was made by Bill R. and second by Felix M. The motion passed unanimously.**
- 6.2 Golf: Bill reported that he had reconciled the golf account this month. A motion was made by Paul W. and seconded by Felix M. to accept the golf report. The motion passed unanimously.
- 6.3 Activities: Paul said he had nothing to report. A motion was made by Paul W. and seconded by Stephen H. to accept Paul's report. The motion passed unanimously.
- **6.4 Travel:** John C., the travel rep. noted that SIR was offering a cruise through the Panama Canal from January 20 to February 5, 2025. He also provided a brochure with more information about the trip. See him if you are interested.

#### 7.0 Old Business

**7.1 Dues Collection:** Two members paid their dues today. They were Rick Okazaki, a new member, and Larry Kraus.

**7.2 Branch 46 Merger:** Paul reported that Branch 46 has not voted on the merger as yet. They will meet next Thursday. Paul reviewed what is necessary to complete a merger. First, Chapter 46 will have to have a vote with at least 80 percent of its current members participating. Second both Branches will have to agree on a name for the Branch. Next, we need to form a nominating committee for BEC at our next meeting, which would include members from Chapters 145 and 46. Paul suggested the committee be comprised of two-thirds Branch 145 members and one-third Branch 46 members if they decide to merge. Paul noted that 3 or 4 of our officers are termed out. Paul stated that the Big Sir in our Branch serves a two year term. We also need a Little Sir and one or two Directors. Attached you will find the Branch Merger Guide that Paul provided.

### 8.0 New Business

8.1 None

**9.0 Good of the Order:** Bill mentioned for Sunshine Committee that Ray Honey was ill and that Bill had visited him. He said he looked good. He suggested other members drop by to visit him, and that we also report any other members who are ill.

**10.0 Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 1:24 pm. *The motion to adjourn was made by Bill R. and seconded by Paul R. The motion passed unanimously.* 

Submitted By Tony Moles, Secretary.