**SIR CHAPTER 169**

**EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES Date: 3/9/2021**

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**Big SIR, Scott Barcus called the meeting to order at 9:32 am**

**Attending:** Scott Barcus; Ed Dorn, Duane Evans; Jim Forden;

Ted Fox;; Jim Hiney; Bob Large; Dan Lindstrom; Jackie Lovato; Luis Rodriguez

**CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTION OF Guests: No guests attending**

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** MSC to approve

**TREASURY REP0ORT: MSC to approve.**

**BIG SIR: 1)** Exhibited by the lack of successful activity in recruiting a viable replacement for Duane Evans as Treasurer, together with personal experience as being brought in the position of Big SIR, Scott stressed the need for our Chapter Board to develop a systematic and timely approach to filling the leadership positions in our Chapter. Discussion followed with apparent consensus that this needs to be the priority of our Board. Scott underscored the need to move ahead on the development of a slate of candidates for 2022, and appointed Dan Lindstrom, Jim Forden and Ted Fox as the Nominations Committee. **2)** Scott observed we may be nearing the time when we will be permitted to resume the monthly luncheons and the currently uncertainty, and it may be difficult to line up a speaker on what might be short notice. We should be prepared to provide in-house, the program for the first session. **3.** It has been brought to Scott ‘s attention that we need to be following the “Bylaws” in our procedures and the conduct of SIR business. Discussion followed with the recognition by all that our Chapter has not formulated and adopted a specific set of Bylaws. As Secretary, Jim Forden offered to research this issue. 4

**LITTLE SIR:** Dan Lindstrom relayed to the Board that he has lined up Gena Behrens of the Fresno State Athletic Department for the program at our June or July meeting.

**SECRETARY** Jim Forden reported that he has so far received 34 responses to his request for updated personal information from the members. He requested assistance in obtaining photos of some of our new members, so these can be posted to the Directory.

**TREASURER:** 1) Duane Evans reported that since we have not had a meeting this month or last, there is no additional activity to report regarding the Treasury accounts. It was pointed out that the State Offices will be resuming assessments in the second quarter of the year. Ours will be calculated on a member count of 98. **2)**. A letter has been prepared for Duane, Jackie and Dan to take to the Bank to establish the three of them as signatories on our account.

**ACTIVITIES: 1)** Ed Dorn reported that the numbers of members that are playing in our golf outings is increasing, most have paid their annual NCGA dues and the tournament schedule certified. **2)** Ed requested Board approval to resume the monthly Dining Out events. MSC to approve.  **3)**

**MEMBERSHIP**: Jim Hiney reported that there have been no new applications received since our last meeting. Jim Forden handed him one for Howard Togo.

**SUNSHINE:** Continuedconcern was expressed by all regarding the need to assist in the reactivation of the work of our Callers, particularly as we near resumption of the Luncheons and other activities. Following up on the discussion regarding what might be the interest among the membership in an effort to conduct a Chapter wide meeting via ZOOM technology, Ted Fox reported that following his initial poll of the membership, he has determined that there would be insufficient interest to do so. Discussion followed regarding the resumption of our on-site luncheons at Pardinis. MSC to proceed with scheduling of our next luncheon, with the provision that the members will be notified at least 2 weeks prior to the event.

**AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MTG:** Any items on this month’s agenda, but due to time constraints not addressed will be included on the agenda for the meeting next month.

**ADJOURNMENT: 11:15 am**

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:** Jim Forden, Secretary

**Summary of the Minutes of the March 9, 2021 meeting of the SIR Chapter 169 Board of Directors:**

**On Tuesday, March the 9th, the Board of the Gateway Chapter met in an upstairs meeting room of the Sebastian Corporation Building. Much of the discussion was focused on the need to begin a successful search identify candidates for positions on the Board for the 2022 year. Principal among these positions are Little SIR and Treasurer. It is important for the long term vitality of our Chapter to recruit truly interested and capable men to serve in these and other positions on the Board from among members who have not previously served. A Nominating Committee composed of Ted Fox, Dan Lindstrom and Jim Forden will be visiting with members to identify potential candidates. They are particularly interested in discussing the positions with men who have more recently joined the Chapter. New members bring fresh ideas and energy to the leadership of SIR 169. At the meeting there was much discussion about the possibility of resuming our monthly luncheons and other activities. There have been positive indications from within SIR and our local government that we may be able to return to a more normal operation soon. We are all anxious to be together again and much is being done toward that end.**