

SOAR

August 9, 2016

1:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by President Jerry Redington and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The Roll Call of Officers was taken with all present except VP Wayne Komprood. The minutes for the July meeting were approved as read. Under communications we had an invitation to a corn boil at Wayne Komprood's house on August 23 at 1 p.m. Please bring a dish to share. Wayne will provide corn and drinks. If you would like to sign up for your RSVP, Susan will notify Wayne.

Geri Hendren gave the Treasurer's report. She had a request for donations to the Back to School event at Bethany UCC. A motion was made and seconded to donate \$50. The motion passed.

John Fuller and Gale Miller have recently retired from Titan.

We received a notice for officer election to take place this fall. Our bylaws are not in sync with the National SOAR's bylaws and we are not due for an election until 2018. It was agreed to remain with our own schedule for elections. It was also recommended that we have a Political Action Committee but we have a variety of viewpoints in politics and we will not be having a PAC. Our dues structure is also different than the National SOAR organization.

VEBA met and one discussion was the copay difference between a GP and a Specialist. This was further complicated when the patient was seen by a Physician's Assistant or Nurse Practitioner and the copay was that of a Specialist. That problem has been corrected and patients that were charged the higher copay are being reimbursed.

Don Hill, President of Local 745, spoke about the conditions at the plant. There are about 310 members working and some only get 3 or 4 days a week. The other two Titan plants also are down in numbers. Don also has received a call from a member from Union City. He offered to come and speak to us about the problem of asbestos in the plants and getting free screenings. Over 30% had asbestos health problems at their screening. Don will try to set up a visit from him.

The attendance drawing was won this month by Nannie Edison. She received a check for \$170. Congratulations, Nannie!

We adjourned at 2:16 p.m. with a fellowship time following.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan Walt