

SOAR meeting

Dec. 9, 2014

1:30 p.m.

President Jerry Redington called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The roll call of officers was taken and all were present. The minutes were approved as read. The Treasurer gave her report.

Local President Dale Sandell swore in the new officers. He then told us what was happening with the tire plant, the school district and the Valspar Paint members. Dale took a tour of the Valspar plant so he would have a better understanding of their needs during negotiations. The Titan plant is very slow right now. There will be some additional tire types made soon and that should help with productivity. The school unit is working on how to accommodate the Affordable Care Act. Jerry expressed thanks to the Local for the nice steak event last month.

Wayne announced that we will be doing the gate drop on Thursday, December 11, for the Toys for Tots. Several people volunteered to help at the 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. drop and others at the 2:30 p.m. drop. During the 50th anniversary celebration the 50/50 drawing was won by Gary Coan. He donated his winnings to the Toys for Tots and the other half was also given. Jerry says there have been some personnel problems at the Salvation Army but we will still support the Toys for Tots this year. We will see how things go before deciding to give next year. FACC might be able to use the money and toys for their Christmas baskets.

Mel Schubert passed away.

A motion was made and seconded to give \$50 to each of these organizations: Hospice, FACC and the Senior Center. We will also will give Mary Meier \$50 for her help this year. The motion passed.

The American flag is looking rather yellowed with age. Leo Patterson offered a flag that he has to replace it. We will need to see if it can be used on a pole.

Joyce Buisker won the door prize which was a Kelly bank. Josie Koester's name was drawn for the cash attendance prize but she was not here.

We adjourned to a special fellowship time in celebration of the holidays. Money collected during the year from the fellowship times was used to provide sandwiches and drinks. Some members brought dishes to share.