

**SUITES OWNERS INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL CLUB  
ELK CITY, OKLAHOMA  
OCTOBER 12, 2018**

The business meeting was called to order at 9:22 am by Vice President Paul McClellan.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Secretary Jody Codwise read the minutes from the business meeting in Goshen Indiana on and the minutes from the Board of Directors on May 8<sup>th</sup> in Elk City, Oklahoma. Dale Averill made a motion to accept the minutes as read and Eleanor Myers seconded the motion. By vote of the membership in attendance, the minutes were accepted.

Secretary Jody Codwise presented the proposed changes to the by-laws which had previously been sent out to the membership. The membership wished to have the proposals read and voted on individually.

ARTICLE V Section 8 If an application is received after October 1, the dues payment shall be regarded as applying to the next membership year although the membership shall become active upon acceptance. Proposed: deletion of this statement. John Harter made a motion to accept the proposed change and Mike Wickham seconded. By vote of the membership, the motion was passed.

ARTICLE VII Section 1 General meetings of the membership shall be called by the President and shall be held at least once a year for purposes of conducting the general business of the SOITC. Proposed change: After "once a year" insert the wording "during the calendar year (January 1 to December 31)". Don Wiesehan made a motion that the proposed change be accepted and Dale Averill seconded it. By vote of the membership, the motion was passed.

ARTICLE VII Section 3 All general and special meetings require at least one month's notice by newsletter, posting on a website, e-mail and/or special postal mailing. Lack of access to e-mail or other forms of electronic communication shall not preclude any member from receiving proper notice of meetings. Proposed change: All general and special meetings shall be posted on the club website at least one month prior to the meeting. "Lack of access Lack of access to e-mail or other forms of electronic communication shall not preclude any member from receiving proper notice of meetings" shall remain. There was a discussion of the meaning and advisability of said deletion of newsletter. There was a motion to leave the newsletter statement in the by-laws and a motion was made by Bill Schripsema to do so. After further discussion about it and the thought to change preclude to prevent. The fact that any changes to the bylaws has to be sent out 45 days prior to the change, Bill withdrew his motion. Rolly From made a motion to leave the proposed change remain as read from the original proposal and it was seconded by Gary Keefer. By vote of the membership, the motion was passed.

**ARTICLE VIII Section 3**

The secretary shall: c) Determine the number of voting members present so that it may be determined whether a quorum is present. Proposed Change: Article VII paragraph 5, a quorum is defined as the ".those SOITC members in good standing attending a duly called meeting of the membership including any attending via real-time electronic connection. Since no number is stated, then the quorum as stated would simply be all

those present at the meeting so a total head count is not needed for quorum. Rolly From made a motion to adopt the proposed change and Gary Keefer seconded the motion. By vote of the membership, the motion was passed.

A discussion of accepting the bylaw changes proposed as a unit rather than individually occurred. Bill Codwise made a motion to accept the bylaws as a unit and it was seconded by Gary Keefer. There was no further discussion. By vote of the membership, the motion was passed. By vote of the membership, the motion was passed.

Treasurer David Brown reported on the financial revenues and expenses over the last year. He reported on the individual cost for the rally in comparison of the expense for an individual rally attendee. After some discussion and question/answers, Gary Keefer made a motion to accept the report and Mike Aber seconded it. By vote of the membership, the motion was passed.

There was one item in the financial report that was clarified by Paul McClellan. The insurance maintained by the club allows officers and the club to not be liable for accidents and/or damage during the rallies.

### NEW BUSINESS

The membership divided into the 4 regions, Eastern, North Central, South Central, and Western for regional business meetings. The membership reconvened at 11:15 and the regional directors or their representative reported on their regional meeting. During the North Central meeting, Karen Buffington was elected as the regional director for the next 3 years. During the Western regional meeting, Bill Schripsema was elected as regional director for the next 3 years. The regional reported on past rallies and future rallies for their regions.

The secretary position for the club was due for election. Dale Wright, nomination chairman, reported the Jody Codwise was willing to be re-elected. He asked for any nominations from the floor for that position and there were no nominations. The club elected Jody Codwise as secretary for the next 3 years.

There was a discussion of future rallies and geographic locations for them. The officers explained that the results of the questionnaire which the members filled out would be used to develop a list of type of facility and equipment that would be needed. This would be used to have the members be able to recommend possible locations for future international and regional rallies so that we could move the locations on a yearly basis. It would also enable us to have a list of campgrounds and facilities available for planning. This information should be communicated to the regional director for the region within which the campground is located. Officers would like to have rallies planned for several years in advance.

Gary Keefer made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Peg Harter seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 11:57 am.

Respectfully submitted

Jody Codwise, secretary