

SOITC Business Meeting
Elkhart, IN
6/28/2019

Session A

The meeting was called to order by President Rick Binns at 5:33 pm. The position of Vice President is up for election. The floor was open to nominations for that position. Dale Wright nominated Kirk Inskeep for the position of Vice President and it was seconded by Cindy Vinson. No other nominations were made.

Kirk reviewed a bit of his history and family. He worked at Honda in Greensburg IN and is now retired. The president asked for a show of hands for those voting for Kirk, which was the majority of the club. Those opposed was one, Kirk.

Rick asked for any final words from Paul McClellan, exiting vice president. Paul spoke briefly of his time working with the club and indicated that he will continue to be a volunteer for club activities.

Don Wiesehan made a motion for the meeting to adjourn and Jackie Waggoner seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 5:43 pm.

Session B

The meeting was called to order by President Rick Binns at 10:07 AM. Announcements were made relevant to truck weighing at the rally.

The minutes of the Elk City business meeting in 2018 were read by Jody Codwise, secretary. Tom Vereb made a motion that the minutes be accepted as read and Jan Richter seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted.

Dave Brown, treasurer, reviewed the treasurer's report on the finances of the club. There was a discussion about the monies that are held by the club for the regional rallies from the raffles and 50/50 drawings. This is money that the regions can access through the treasurer. Dave explained the insurance cost is due in December so it is paid out only once a year. In reviewing the cost of rallies over the past few years, Elaine Zimmerman asked if there was a way to determine the number of rigs at each yearly rally because it would affect the monies for income and outflow. Mr. Brown indicated that he could probably factor in those numbers in the future. There are also times when adjustments have to be made because of a price change and a need to change campgrounds. For the regional rallies, which typically have no catered meals, the budget is determined by the regional director.

Hank Salmans made a motion to accept the treasurer's report and it was seconded by Tom Schneider. The treasurer's report was accepted.

OLD BUSINESS

A discussion about the need to have time to consider and review any amendment prior to it being presented from the floor. This is not an effort to discourage members proposing amendments but giving time for the effects of said amendment to be considered prior to a call for a vote. While members have the right to propose an amendment, bringing the amendment to the floor at the business meeting will give members only a few minutes to understand the ramifications of said amendment. Gene Sansone proposed the following amendment.

Any member in good standing in the SOITC can submit an amendment to the By-Laws of the SOITC in writing to the Board of Directors, 60 days prior to the annual business meeting of SOITC. The Board of Directors will communicate the submitted amendment to the club members 45 days prior to the annual business meeting held at the international rally.

Tom Schneider seconded the motion. The amendment to the by-Laws was passed by member vote.

At 11:05 am, the members went to the 4 regional meetings to attend to regional business. The membership rejoined as a group at 11:35 am. The business meeting was called back to order at 11:43 am.

NEW BUSINESS

The regional directors or advocates reported on the results of their regional business meeting.

Karen Buffington, North Central Director, reported that the 2020 regional rally will be combined with the Michigan rally and be held at Hidden Ridge Campground in Hopkins, MI from Sept. 8 – 13. In 2021, the region may consider a progressive rally in MI and WISC.

Ginger Rohde, South Central Director, reported on the results of the election of regional director. She will continue in that position for the next 3 years. The South Central Rally for 2020 will be held at the end of February in Louisiana.

Duane Clause, standing for the Eastern Regional Directors (AG and Mary Ann Caldwell) reported that the members present discussed some preliminary plans for the 2020 SOITC International Rally in Sevierville, TN from May 11 – 16, 2020. The Board of Directors and several eastern

members are continuing to plan for that rally. He also reported that the region is planning on a regional rally Sept 20-26, 2020 in Lake George NY.

Hank Salmans, standing for Western Regional Director (Bill Schripsema) reported on the regional rally in Moab Utah in October this year. The region is looking for a place to hold the international rally in the western region for 2021.

Rick Binns encouraged the new members to attend the regional rallies as they are a good opportunity to travel throughout the USA. He was asked when people could begin to sign up for the 2020 rally in TN. Rick responded by the end of next month. The club is working to be able to get rallies planned for 3 years into the future to make it easier for people to plan for attendance.

Paul McClellan made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Kathy Synowiec seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 12:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jody Codwise, Secretary