

WALLY BYAM CARAVAN CLUB INTERNATIONAL, INC.
REGION 7 BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, AUGUST 7, 2014.
OAK BLUFF RECREATION CENTER
OAK BLUFF, MANITOBA

Meeting was called to order by President Gail Harrower at 1:40 PM

There was a minute of silence to honor Past Region 7 President Joan Lahr and other Region 7 members who have passed away during the past year.

President Harrower asked Secretary Lillian Thomson to call the Roll.

Region 7 President - Gail Harrower - present

Region 7 - 1st Vice President - Pete Yanke - present

Region 7 Immediate Past President - Linda Agre - absent - ill

Minnesota Unit President - Steve Judlund - present

North Dakota Peace Garden Unit - 1st Vice President - Arthur Idso - present

Wisconsin Unit President – Past Unit President - Steve Piotrowski - present

Region 7 Secretary - Lillian Thomson - present

Region 7 Treasurer - Terrol Rogers - present

A quorum was present.

The minutes of the 2013 Region 7 Board Meeting were distributed to all board members and others present.

Motion by Steve Piotrowski, second by Steve Judlund that minutes be approved as distributed.

Motion carried.

Treasurer Report

Region 7 Treasurer Terrol Rogers read the report for 2013 - 2014. Bank Balances are \$9,861.39 and does not include the Folklorama Rally deposits. There was a question about Cash Deposits. Treasurer Rogers reported that these had been cashed and the funds placed in a savings account.

Treasurer's report was filed.

Correspondence

A letter from Immediate Past Region 7 President Linda Agre was read.

Last year Region 7 Merit Awards will be presented to the units during their installation of new officers due to Immediate Past President Linda Agre's absence. It was noted that each unit received a merit award last year.

A get well card for Linda was circulated for members to sign/greet.

Reports of Committees

Gail Harrower, Chair of the International Peace Garden Monument Project Committee reported that a total of \$29,000 has been raised to date.

It was reported that Artist Burdeny has been replaced by a Minnesota artist, Arthur Norby. The cost of the new monument will be \$79,000.

A display was available for viewing of the new brochure and the artist concept of the new monument. Installation of the monument will not take place in 2015 as planned, due to the need for additional fund raising. Gail Harrower and International President Perryman will jointly request a donation from Airstream company.

1st Vice President Pete Yanke reported on the current status of the website, and that it needs to be utilized by all around the country.

Reports of Committees - Continued

The region 7 Newsletter will be issued four times yearly. President Harrower plans to send the newsletter to all members. She will use e-mail when possible, but some members without e-mail will need the newsletter mailed to them. Reimbursement needs to be made to whoever is mailing the newsletter from the units.

A motion by Steve Piotrowski second by Art Idso, to provide \$150.00 to be designated for working out a system for the distribution of the Region 7 Newsletter.

Motion Carried.

There was discussion and a review of the Region 7 policy on the Mid-Winter IBT reimbursement for the 1st and 2nd vice presidents to attend the meeting.

Motion made by Steve Judland, second by Art Idso, that the amount stay at \$1,000.00 for 1st vice president, and \$500.00 for 2nd vice president.

Motion Carried.

President Harrower is working out details for the Region 7 2015 rally. Suggestions are most welcome. She is looking at Upper Michigan, which is now part of Region 7.

Ron Skelton suggested that Region 7 consider holding a rally every other year beginning in 2016 when a new president is installed. This would allow the incoming president a year to work out the rally details. Discussion both pro and con was held. A possible compromise could be to have a smaller event on the alternate years.

A Motion by Steve Piotrowski, second by Pete Yanke, to move to a Region 7 rally every other year effective in 2016. The president would have a Region 7 rally in 2017.

Motion Carried.

Unit Reports

Minnesota Unit. - Unit President Steve Judlund reported that his unit had a joint Spring Rally with Iowa at Clearwater IA. The unit has 7 new members. There will be a Buddy Rally at the Minnesota Zoo with installation of officers, September 12-14, 2014

North Dakota Peace Garden Unit - Unit 1st Vice President Arthur Idso reported in the absence of Unit President Allen Towles. All is going well for the Unit. New members are joining. The installation rally will be held at Aberdeen South Dakota, September 5-7, 2014.

Wisconsin Unit - Steve Piotrowski reported in the absence of Unit President George Bohmier. A joint rally with the Illinois unit was held at Elkhart Lake. The rally featured antique cars. A fall rally will be held at Washburn WI, followed by a caravan to Houton Peninsula of upper Michigan. The Wisconsin Unit is doing fine and gaining new members.

WBCCI International Treasurer Adolph Knopp reported that registrations for the 2015 International Rally at Farmington NM are available during the Region 7 rally. The cost is \$425.00 until January 1, 2015 when the cost will be \$450.00. Several registrations were completed during the rally.

Region 7 President Harrower reported that there is a new Privacy Act for Canada. The act restricts information about new members as there is no written agreement for providing general information. President Harrower will forward information on the new law as it becomes available.

A report by Bob Manak informed Region 7 that PayPal was used for registrations for the Region 7 Folkarama Rally. Two members used the online registration.

There being no further business, Region 7 President Gail Harrower adjourned the meeting at 3 PM.

Lillian Thomson
WBCCI Region 7 Secretary