

WALLY BYAM CARAVAN CLUB INTERNATIONAL, INC  
REGION 7 BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 13, 2015  
COUNTRY ROADS RV PARK, WISCONSIN DELLS, WI, USA

Meeting was called to order by President Gail Harrower at 2:05 PM.

There was a minute of silence for Darina Lindroth, Past 1<sup>st</sup> Lady of Region 7 and Past International Secretary 1994 – 1995.

There was no Executive Board Meeting held as all business will be part of the Region 7 Meeting.

President Harrower requested Secretary Lillian Thomson call the Roll.

President – Gail Harrower – present  
1st Vice President – Pete Yanke –present  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President – Don Thomson – present  
Secretary Lillian Thomson – present  
Past President Linda Agre – present  
Minnesota Unit President Ray Nickel – absent  
- represented by Lorie Costello – present  
ND Peace Garden Unit President Art Idso – absent  
- represented by Bruce Coonrod – present  
Wisconsin Unit President Dave Sherman – absent  
- represented by John Sellers – present  
A quorum was declared by President Harrower

#### Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes from August 7, 2014 were distributed to all board members.

Moved by John Sellers 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pete Yanke that the minutes be adopted as distributed.

Motion carried.

#### Treasurer Report

Terrol Rogers resigned as Region 7 Treasurer in April 2016. Gail Harrower has taken over the responsibility of the Treasurer's job. Financial statement for June 30, 2015 was read.

Balance was \$8,216.99.

Treasurers report was filed.

#### Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

#### Unit Merit Awards

The Wisconsin Unit received a Superior Merit Award for the 2013-2014 year.

- Steve Piotrowski - Unit President.

The North Dakota Peace Garden Unit received a Merit Award for the 2013-2014 year.

- Allan Towles - Unit President.

They will be presented to the units during their installation of new officers by the attending Region officers.

## Reports of Committees

### Caravan Committee – Linda Agre, Chair

Reported on the Caravan to Farmington, New Mexico. Those participating were Linda Agre, leader, Harry/Sharon Ramler, Pearl Adams-Kyle, Bill Nelson, Mike Lahr, Gary/Myrna Burnham, and Pete/Kathy Yanke. A wonderful time was had by all. Report was filed.

### Membership – Linda Agre, Chair

Membership stars to be given out at the campfire Friday evening.

### International Peace Garden Monument Committee – Gail Harrower, Chair

The monument has been completed and is ready to be moved to the International Peace Garden.

There will be a special rally to dedicate the monument July 25, 2016 at the International Peace Garden.

Chances are being sold at the Region rally for 2 model Airstreams, a necklace donated by Sharon Ramler, and a pot holder/cover set donated by Kathy Yanke.

Gail has sent a letter requesting a donation from the City of Brandon, Manitoba, Canada.

### Unfinished Business

1. There is an annual review of the Region 7 policy on Mid-Winter reimbursement of \$1000 for 1<sup>st</sup> VP and \$500 for 2<sup>nd</sup> VP who attend.

Moved by Lorie Costello 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pete Yanke to continue reimbursement. Motion carried.

2. Nominating Committee: there was a request in August, 2014 that it be discussed at each unit's fall installation of officers with the purpose of appointing a committee member to the Nominating Committee. ND Peace Garden – Jack Bailey is a member of the committee. Wisconsin and Minnesota need to select a member to represent their units. Linda Agre, Chair reported the need to find a volunteer to fill the 2<sup>nd</sup> VP for 2016 – 2018 years. Ballots must be distributed to the units by January 25, 2016. All qualified candidates will be presented to the Region 7 members. There was no discussion.

3. Review of motion to have the Region 7 rally every other year commencing with the 2017 year. Discussion was held with many attending meeting objecting to not having a rally yearly.

Motion to rescind previous motion and return to yearly rally by Linda Agre 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pete Yanke.

Motion carried.

### New Business

Barry Bell, International 3<sup>rd</sup> VP reported on the status and changes of the club.

Barry began his membership with WBCCI at an Indianhead, WI rally at the Wisconsin Dells many years ago. Due to the friendliness of the group, he joined the club and is now 3<sup>rd</sup> VP. He stressed the importance of friendliness and including all attending in the rallies functions. He feels the club is going in the right direction at this point and memberships are increasing. Lori Plummer will be an asset in the computer area. A discussion was held about special event rallies, directories being smaller, and the

need for more support from the WBCCI for the Peace Garden Memorial project. Barry Bell indicated the intent to “work on it”.

Region Rally 2016 – Pete Yanke - Tall Ships Special Event Rally which will be held in Duluth, MN, USA August of 2016. This rally will end on a Monday and will be scheduled when the date of the arrival of the ships is known. The rally will begin Wednesday and be located at the Buffalo Campgrounds. Linda Agre and Pete & Kathy Yanke are the rally hosts and are beginning to arrange events for this rally.

Motion made by Pete Yanke to approve this Region 7 Special Event Rally – 2<sup>nd</sup> Don Thomson.  
Motion carried.

#### Re-dedication Ceremony for the Monument of Peace – Monday July 25, 2016

The re-dedication Ceremony will be a Region 7 Special Event Rally with any and all proceeds going to the Monument of Peace project fundraising. Bruce & Gail Harrower and Don & Lillian Thomson are the rally hosts.

Moved by Linda Agre and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pete Yanke that a special event rally be held for the purpose of re – dedicating the Peace Monument at the International Peace Garden July 25, 2016.  
Motion carried.

New member International dues will change January 2016. President Gail reported that new member dues will be pro-rated:

- 1<sup>st</sup> quarter – Jan to Mar - \$65.00
- 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter – Apr to Jun - \$48.00
- 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter – Jul to Sep - \$32.00 plus \$65.00 for the next years dues
- 4<sup>th</sup> quarter – Oct to Dec - \$16.00 plus \$65.00 for the next years dues

#### Region 7 Board meetings

There was a discussion about holding Region 7 Board meetings at the International rally. It was decided to conduct Board meeting at the Region 7 rally as we are currently doing. This will allow for more participation by the members.

#### Hoopla at the Lewisburg International Rally 2016

President Gail reported that Richard Girard has requested Region 7 provide a “HoopLa” introduction and announcement of the Escanaba International Rally at the Lewisburg International in 2016. Ideas were presented and discussed.

#### Announcements

Minnesota Unit - Lori Costello - Installation Rally will be held in Austin, MN, USA in September

North Dakota Peace Garden Unit - Bruce Coonrod – Installation Rally at Fort Ransom in ND, USA  
September 24 – September 27.

Wisconsin Unit - John Sellers – Installation Rally at Houghton, Michigan, USA August 25<sup>th</sup> – August 27<sup>th</sup>.

Gail Harrower announced she has put her name forward for International Treasurer for the 2016-2017 year.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:30 PM.

Submitted by: Lillian Thomson – Region 7 Secretary

Next Meeting – 2016 Region Rally

Approved – Gail Harrower, Region 7 President