Texas W Club General Meeting Minutes

Canton Civic Center

January 2017

President Mike Anderson called the meeting to order at 9:35 am and led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

Steve Ferguson led the prayer.

Mike Anderson recognized guests Ken Egbert and Peggy Smith, along with Frank and Linda Whitted.

Mike Anderson recognized former state club officers, former chapter officers and current chapter officers.

The number of rigs on the ground was 34 and the number of rigs in Texas W was 65, as of the most recent count. (due to the absence of treasurer Tim Saks this number is not up to date) The following chapters were in attendance:

Alamo Winnies, 13 total rigs with 3 on the ground, Bluebonnet Travelers, 27 total rigs with 9 on the ground, Heart of Texas Winnies, 16 total rigs with 8 on the ground, Nor-Tex Travelers, 23 total rigs with 9 on the ground, Rambling Rose Travelers, 5 total rigs with 2 on the ground, and Red River Wrangers, 13 total rigs with 2 on the ground.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Minutes from a previous meeting may now be viewed online at texasw.org. Select "club member pages" from the menu to the left of the screen, select "general meeting minutes" and then select the appropriate minutes. Bobby Pearson made a motion to accept the October 2016 minutes as read on line and Tommy Pearson seconded it. The minutes were approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

In the absence of treasurer Tim Sak, Connie Pyles reported that Texas W has a balance of \$17,200. The Veterans Fund has\$1,031 in it. There was an expense overage against the October rally of \$1500.

1st VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

APRIL MEETING IN MONTGOMERY, TX. - Ann Caywood stated that the budget for the Texas W meeting in April at the Lake Conroe KOA was approved by the Executive Board. The cost for 1 person/1 rig will be \$90 and the cost for 2 persons/1 rig will be \$110. In an effort to keep prices down the Texas W Club is supplementing the price by \$ 1.42 for 1 person/1 rig and \$ 4.42 for 2 persons/1 rig. The plans for meals at this time include a traditional pot luck on Thursday evening, a spaghetti dinner to be made and served by Nor-Tex Travelers on Friday evening, and a catered breakfast and dinner for Saturday.

GNR – Ann is requesting ideas for head of row decorations, meals, and the parade float. It is not necessary that a member be planning to attend GNR in order to assist with the preparations. Please help make this year's event fun.

FUTURE MEETINGS – The October rally is in Mineola and plans are in the works. For the January 2018 meeting Mike and Marty Anderson are researching an RV park in the San Antonio area.

OLD BUSINESS-

VETERANS FUND – President Mike Anderson reminded the membership that in light of previous mismanagement of funds by Wounded Warrior upper managers our membership has voted to put a hold on further donations to this charity. The Texas W Veterans fund now has over \$1000 and Mike stated that he would like to make a decision on which charity is to be the recipient of the money. He read a brief description of the Center of the Intrepid written by former Texas W president Gary Rigsby. Elaine Davis spoke for the Center of the Intrepid but she also mentioned that she thought the misuse of funds by the Wounded Warrior

organization had been rectified. Mary Lynn Mahonney made a motion to vote on designating the funds to either the Wounded Warrior Fund or the Center for the Intrepid. The motion was seconded by Mike Reid and after some discussion the membership voted to designate the Center for the Intrepid as the recipient of our funds.

NEW BUSINESS

Mary Lynn Mahonney offered to help those struggling to use the Texas W website in a class during the April meeting in Montgomery. She asked for a show of hands of those who might want to benefit from such instruction.

Mike Anderson made announcements as to the activities of the day and reminded everyone of the sympathy cards to be signed for Brenda Rigsby, Tim Sak and Ron Janson.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20.

Respectfully submitted by Celia Reid