

MINUTES OF THE STATE COMMITTEE MEETING
SEPTEMBER 24, 2015
DELTA, UTAH

Meeting was called to order by Director Stan Griffin and he welcomed everyone to the meeting.

No Pledge of Allegiance was given as it was led at the beginning of "school" and the reverence was given by Jean North, Deer Sams President.

Roll call was given and all chapters were represented except the Color Country Ramblers and the Weber Waffies. Minutes of the State Committee Meeting held June 11, 2015, were read by Secretary Leslie McRae and approved as corrected.

There was no treasurer's report; however, receipts for expenditures need to be turned in to the State Treasurer with an itemization of purchases.

The Chapter rosters and Chapter Officers forms need to be updated for each chapter and turned in to Secretary Leslie McRae. A yearly new member report is to be forwarded to our Regional Director, Harold Jacklin, by October 1, 2015. The list of current Chapter Officers is to be turned in to Director Jerry Griffin soon so she can forward this information to the regional director by February 1, 2016.

Annual state dues need to be paid to State Treasurer Lynn Koyle by November 30, 2015. Please check with your chapters and get this matter resolved.

Camping World is celebrating the 50 Year anniversary of the Good Sam organization. If you have any old camping pictures, send them in to Camping World. If your picture is used in the celebration, you could win \$25.00.

Our April meeting is scheduled for April 9, 2016. It was suggested we have it at Maddox Restaurant in Brigham City. Pam Brimhall called Maddox and they said they would charge \$125 for the room and then if we wanted lunch that would be extra. After some discussion, this matter was tabled until the December meeting.

Chapter of the Year books are to be turned in now during the Fall Tag. After some discussion, it was agreed that chapters could have another two weeks (by October 10, 2015) to complete their books. State Director Jerry Griffin will choose a committee to judge the books and determine the winning chapter. The books will then be forwarded to the regional director and the winning chapter will be announced March 1, 2016.

Some discussion was held on the door prizes given away at the Rally. The current plan is to have each chapter donate two \$20.00 prizes to be given away. Some felt that some prizes donated were not worth \$20.00. It was suggested that we have each chapter put their names on the prizes, but that was generally turned down. It was also suggested that each chapter give their \$40.00 to the person in charge of the door prize booth and they would purchase all the prizes to be given away. That would be a lot of work for one person, so that idea was scrapped. Some suggested gift cards in the amount of \$20.00 and after some discussion that idea seemed to be accepted by most committee members. It was finally decided to leave the plan as it is with each chapter purchasing and donating two \$20.00 gifts. Also noted, vendor gifts can be worth any amount.

It was suggested that one person from each chapter help set up chairs so it is not such a burden for one chapter. It could be announced from the microphone that everyone help move chairs. It was also suggested that we have two chapters assigned to set up and take down chairs and tables. After some discussion, it was decided that everyone should help with the tables and chairs as some chapters' members are not physically able to do it. It was also mentioned that we need to have another rack or two set out for chairs.

Last year's ice cream melted before the opening social concluded. It was suggested we have the ice cream after the parade, but that suggestion was denied. Popsicles after the parade would be fun and that was approved. Most felt the ice cream social is a good time to reacquaint with each other and a fun time to visit. It was also mentioned that last year's opening ceremony was too long, hence the problem with the melting ice cream. We will try to keep the opening program shorter.

The boom box we are using for the Rally (Samboree) is getting older and it has been suggested that we purchase a new one to use. Paul Hales is currently getting a sound system working for the Cake Walk. The boom box does not work well with an iPod or phone for the music, but if the chapter in charge would bring a CD that would solve the music problem. After much discussion, it was decided that we would continue to use the current boom box until it needs to be replaced.

The breakfast and dinner tokens that we have used for years are no longer needed. We will use a clicker to count the breakfasts served by the Lions Club. The dinner caterers are given a specific number of plates so they won't require the tokens either.

Director Jerry Griffin then handed out the Rally and Fall Tag assignments for next year with each chapter's major and minor assignments. Any questions or concerns, contact her. The ladies and men's social will now be called the Friday Luncheon. All agreed.

Arlene Hales expressed a desire to advertise our Rally parade to the locals in Nephi. She suggested each chapter make a poster to display in local businesses advertising our parade and perhaps an article in the local newspaper. Most committee members felt the locals wouldn't support the parade as it had been tried in the past and no one showed up.

The opening ceremony at the Rally this year took too long. It was suggested we have Good Sam representatives from other states sit on the stand to alleviate some of the time waiting for them to walk to the stage. Most committee members liked the "cheer" we did last Rally as we marched into the room with our chapter flags but decided not to do it again. They also enjoyed singing "This Land is Your Land" at the closing ceremony and this will continue.

The Committee approved a budget of \$100 for the Rally greeters. Receipts then must be turned in to the State Treasurer for reimbursement. Also, for the memorial service, a budget of \$100 will defray the cost of the balloons and memorial table. It was also suggested we purchase a white board for frequently asked questions and to list any changes in the daily schedule.

Bob Anderson reported that the State purchased a new printer. It has many advantages over the old one. In the future, it will be necessary to get approval for any purchase made from State funds. A motion was made and approved, to purchase this new printer. It was suggested that we sell the old

printer to one of the Good Sam members or perhaps put it in the Chinese auction next year at the Rally. No decision was made – we will discuss further at the December meeting.

In regard to the Ronald McDonald donations, a suggested amount was \$200 per chapter. Some felt if an amount is specified, it no longer is a donation, but a requirement. If the donation is sent to Jerry, she will see that it gets turned in.

We need a Chapter President to sit on the Humanitarian Award Committee that meets after the April meeting. Please give your name to Arlene Hales and she will make contact.

The current State Treasurer term expires this year. Forms and stamped envelopes were handed to each chapter president for each chapter to vote for a new Treasurer. We have received only one nomination for this position so far. Forms are to be mailed to Secretary Leslie McRae and the winner will be announced at the December meeting.

Our December Committee meeting will be held again at the Organ Loft in Salt Lake City on Saturday, December 3, 2015 at 11:00 AM with lunch being served at 12:30. Registration forms will be sent out later. The date for the December meeting was corrected to December 5, 2015.