

MINUTES OF THE STATE COMMITTEE MEETING  
DECEMBER 5, 2015  
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

The meeting was called to order by Director Stan Griffin. Everyone was welcomed to the meeting. The Reverence was given by Arlene Kendall and the Pledge was led by Roy Kendall, Assistant Wagon master.

Minutes of the meeting held September 24, 2015, at Delta Utah were read by State Secretary Leslie McRae and approved as read. A merchandise sales report was given by Walt Summers. The balance as of December 31, 2014, was \$871.05 with merchandise purchased of \$101.75 and \$328.26 and Samboree sales of \$350.00 leaving a current balance of \$791.04 in that account.

State Treasurer, Lynn Koyle, gave a report on the State finances. Our beginning balance in the Good Sam Samboree account on December 18, 2014 was \$9,851.27, less total expenditures of \$21, 230.16 and total income of \$32,285.46 leaving a current balance of \$11,055.30. The balance of the Good Sam General Account as of December 4, 2014, was \$11,446.78 with expenditures of \$4,353.90 and income of \$13,179.94 leaving a current balance of \$8,826.04. A motion was made and seconded to approve the Treasurer's report. An audit of the Samboree and State Treasurers accounts will take place before the first of the year.

Harold Jacklin, our Regional Director, gave us a background of how the Good Sam Organization was started. He then encouraged us to reach out to other campers and invite them to join with us in the Good Sam organization.

Phil Wheeler, State Wagon Master will have the Chapter Presidents draw for their arrival times at the June Rally.

Jerry Griffin, State Director, reported that the Northern Utah Golden Spikers have voted to de-charter their chapter. They are, however, willing to fulfill their responsibilities at the June Rally next summer.

Jerry reminded the Chapter Presidents that each chapter has a state staff member as a liaison for them. They were told that if they don't remember who that state person is, to let her know and she will get that information to them. The Chapter Presidents were encouraged to use their liaison if they need help with anything.

The year 2016 is the 50 year celebration of the Good Sam Organization. With that in mind, State Director Jerry Griffin has asked the Utah State Governor's Office to do a "State Proclamation the week of June 5 to 11, 2016, in conjunction with our Rally. As part of the Proclamation, Jerry suggested each chapter turn in their service hours and money collected for charity during the months of June 2015, through May 2016 to include in the Proclamation. Also, newspaper articles that highlight chapter donations and service work could be included in the Proclamation. Lyman and Jane Tidwell have been asked to collect this information.

Bob Anderson, State Web Master, has updated the Utah State Good Sam website and asks that any additions or deletions to your chapters' information be forwarded to him so the website is up to date.

Director Jerry asked the Chapter Presidents if they had any feedback on the organization of new chapters. There are no national guidelines on how many people can be in a chapter. There was no real feedback given so the matter was tabled for the time being.

Our April planning Committee Meeting will be held on April 23, 2016 and the American Fork Senior Center. It will accommodate 150 people which is plenty big for our group. It was suggested we have Utah Food Services cater a meal, or buy pizza as we did last year or have no meal at all? It was suggested we do pot luck, but that was turned down. This matter was tabled until a later date.

Arlene Hales, State Quarter Master, gave a report on the Humanitarian award committee. She has a full committee and they are functioning as needed. This award is given to individuals in the Good Sam Organization who have gone above and beyond the scope of volunteering for their chapter, community or state. Nominations for the Humanitarian Award can be made on the Utah Good Sam website and must be turned in by April 1, 2016.

Al Heitman, Chapter President of the Sundowner Sams, has been asked if he would take the responsibility for the Rally vendors this year. He has accepted so if you know or can think of any vendors that would be a good addition to our Rally, please send this information to him.

Suggestions for the opening ceremony at the Rally next year; everyone liked the closing song, not so much the chapter cheer and everyone liked the idea of the visiting dignitaries to sit on the stand to alleviate some waiting time. Jerry is open to any suggestions for a great kickoff for our Rally. If you or your chapter members have any ideas, please pass them on to her.

We still have not received the three names for the review and updating of the Activity Details list. Color Country Ramblers, Tooele Travels and Squaw Peak Sams were assigned to provide a name. The Squaw Peak Sams have turned in a name, but the other two have not. Marv Lee will head up this committee.

It has been decided that the old printer, which still works well, will be kept by the State Director and then taken to the Rally each year for use by the Samboree Treasurer. It will then be passed on to the new Director. It needs to be used monthly so the ink cartridges don't dry out.

Director Jerry had suggested we move the Fall Tag next year to Ruby's Inn. After some feedback a vote was taken between Delta and Ruby's Inn. Delta 8, Ruby's Inn 5. Jerry will cancel the reservation at Ruby's Inn.

We met our goal of a \$2500 donation to the Ronald McDonald house. The plaque on the door says "Utah State Good Sam in Honor of Bernie Voorhees. Jerry asked if the Chapters would like to commit to this project again next year. After some discussion, this item was tabled for the time being.

Leslie McRae, State Secretary, gave the results of the election for office of State Treasurer. Lynn Koyle will continue to serve in that position.

Jerry Griffin, State Director, then gave the announcement of the Utah Chapter of the Year Award. Three chapters competed with the winner being the Deer Sams; honorable mention went to the Happy Hobos and Over the Hill Sams.

Meeting adjourned.