

STATE COMMITTEE MEETING

April 15, 2023

Aspen Grove RV Park

WELCOME: John VanDorn

PLEDGE: Marv Lee

REVERENCE: Peggy Klemetson

ROLL CALL: Gerry Seele

All chapters were present and verified their information on the President's list.

John introduced the new Chapter Presidents and then the presidents shared some ideas for service and fundraising.

MINUTES: Minutes of the Winter State Staff and Committee Meeting held Nov. 5, 2022 were read by Gerry Seele.

Motion: Carol Wallace of the Happy Hobos made a motion to approve the minutes.

Motion: Randy Eberhard of the Wasatch Travelers seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Gwen Shoemaker, the State Treasurer, read the financial report.

MOTION: Randy Eberhard of the Wasatch Travelers made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report.

MOTION: Larry Gould of the Utah Trail Dusters seconded the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. The motion passed.

Harold Jacklin introduced the new shirts and showed them to the Chapter Presidents. They would be available to order at the Country Store or online. There will also be some available to purchase at Delta.

Bob Anderson talked about our Utah RV Club website and how to use it to get information needed for our chapters. The new website is utahrvclub.org.

Connie VanDorn talked about the "Come to the Country Fair" theme and asked that the Tooele Travelers come on Tuesday. They would have up to \$100 (with Receipts) to help with decoration costs.

Chapter booths: Each booth will cover an approximately 8X10 foot area. All booths will be inside. There will be a two hour time frame for this activity, with a one hour rotation so half of the chapter members can man the booth at a time while the other half gets to visit the other booths. Tickets will be sold to be used for all the booths, probably 5 for \$1.00 with the money going to charity. Each chapter will be responsible for any prizes associated with their booth. She gave several suggestions for booth ideas and said there were lots of ideas online. Connie requested that each chapter let her know what they planned to do so that duplication could be avoided.

Connie also suggested we have a Home Arts Display Table where members could bring something they have made to display during the booth activity time. Members could donate their item to be sold at the live auction if they wished after the booth time is over.

The chapter assignments for the Rally were reviewed. Items for the cake walk can be either bought or homemade. Each chapter is to bring two items and each staff couple is to bring one.

A short discussion was held about having the “gathering” and ice cream social combined or separate, with the ice cream following the activity part. The Rocky Mountain Campers and the Utah Sun Chasers will need to coordinate when they have decided on the activity.

Harold Jacklin had a booklet with all the rules for the games we play as a state, given to each chapter president. He said there would be one available in the trailer as well as being posted online.

Harold then went on to explain that we need to elect a State Treasurer and the process to follow. All names need to be submitted to John VanDorn by the end of the Rally. The gathered names will be sent to each chapter president by Oct.1, 2023 so they can be voted on by each chapter. The winning name will be sent to John VanDorn so results can be tallied, and then the results will be announced at the Winter Committee Meeting.

It was announced that the breakfast for Thursday morning at the Rally will be scaled down. It will be simple.

Marv Lee requested that the wagon masters come a day early to help get the grounds ready and then help with the parking. Marv discussed arrival times for the Rally. He said that it was important that we not block any roadways while waiting for the chapter’s designated time to arrive. Since chapters need to come together to be parked together, it was suggested that chapters may need to just go into a designated area to wait for their time to park. Marv had each chapter president draw a time to enter:

- 10:00 Rocky Mountain Campers
- 10:20 Sundowners
- 10:40 Sun Chasers
- 11:00 Ute Salt Shakers
- 11:20 Trail Dusters
- 11:40 Wasatch Travelers
- 12:00 Happy Hobos

Harold Jacklin talked about the First Timer’s meeting and the importance of helping new members feel included. He also invited new presidents and anyone who had not been to a First Timer’s meeting to attend.

Friday lunch will be a potluck lunch with all couples bringing an item. Sloppy joes will be provided.

We will be going to Fillmore on Friday 2:00 – 7:00 to participate in the activities there. At this point we do not have a firm calendar of the activities but will be informing chapters when we get their schedule.

The date for our Winter Committee Meeting was set for November 4, 2023. Place and time to be announced.

The registration fee for the Rally was discussed. We have not had an increase in cost for several years. It was suggested that the fee be raised to \$100 – 1 rig – 2 persons, \$75 – 1 rig – 1 person, \$50 for extra persons and per person for those staying in a motel, and \$25 for children 12 and under.

MOTION: Nancy Gould of Utah Trail Dusters made a motion to accept the Rally fee increase.

MOTION: Mel Cossey of Rocky Mountain Campers seconded the motion to accept the Rally fee increase. The motion passed.

John VanDorn announced that because several chapters were in the process of getting new chapter flags, we will not be using chapter flags at the beginning of the Rally Opening Ceremony this year.

The Golden Spike Campers will be in charge of the Memorial service this year and would like each chapter to turn in their information to Pat Smith August 1st. She would like a picture and write up for each individual being memorialized.

As an additional item Pat would like two pictures of each chapter member who has served in the military. One picture of the person of what they looked like when they enlisted and one of them now.

John expressed his and Connie's appreciation for each person present for the work being done to support their chapters and the State organization. It takes all of us to help others feel welcome and needed.

We were reminded to check our email to look for updates and the meeting was adjourned by John VanDorn..