SOAR meeting May 8, 2018 1:30 p.m.

President Jerry Redington called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The Roll Call of Officers was taken and all were present. The minutes were approved as read. A letter from District 7 SOAR was read. We were invited to send two representatives to University of Illinois-Champaign Leadership training to meet with other SOAR leaders. The topics will be how to build our chapters, Social Security/Medicare and other senior issues. The dates are July 24 and 25 with lodging and transportation costs covered.

The Treasurer gave her report.

All retirees plus hourly and salaried personnel from the plant along with spouses are invited to attend our SOAR picnic on Tuesday, June 12, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. Retirees from the school district are also invited. Barbeques and pulled pork sandwiches, beverages, and dinnerware will be provided by the club. Everyone is asked to bring a dish to pass. Door prizes will be given away. Anyone who would like to donate a prize may bring it on Tuesday. Mary Gerloff and Mary Meier will do some advertising on Facebook and the Titan News.

Jerry asked for anyone interested in going to Champaign to represent us at the SOAR meeting. No one offered to go. Anyone interested can contact Jerry Redington.

Letters have begun to arrive from the asbestos testing. Someone received a notice that they have a problem and further test will be done for him. We are not sure where that testing will be done. Please follow through if you receive a negative report.

A discussion of how bad some of the old plants were took place. Some of these plants have been either closed or updated.

Local 745 had elections and the new President is Todd Hastings.

Walter Campbell and Wally Cowan have recently passed away. Mary Hill passed away also.

Geri has purchased new engraved tags for our Memorial Plaque. As past members of SOAR die their names are added to the plaque.

We adjourned at 2:25 p.m. A fellowship time followed the meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Walt