SOAR meeting January 9, 2018 1:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Wayne Komprood and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The Roll Call of Officers was taken all were present except President Jerry Redington.

The minutes for the November meeting were read and approved. There were no minutes from the December meeting since the secretary was not present and the meeting was very short due to the Holiday party.

Treasurer reported 2018 dues are due today. They are \$12 per year. She gave her report of the checking account. The raffle refund check of \$25 was received.

The December party was a great time. Plenty of food so be sure to come next year.

Don Hill, President of Local 745, discussed items found in the Titan News publication. Wayne had several of the monthly issues on the computer so we could project them on the screen. Free turkeys were given out in November. Those not picked up were donated to a needy organization. A family skate night was held at Skate Station for kids and grandkids. Santa was there. Impact ideas were promoted. If you have an idea that is chosen to save money or a safety issue you can receive one of two \$500 awards.

We will try to use this means of communicating to the plant employees before we have our next gate drop. Many workers indicated they did not know we were coming this last year for the toy drive.

Don said workers could apply for unemployment benefits during the holiday shutdown.

The plant has a new vision plan this year. The old Dental plan had money left over when it was disbanded and they are arbitrating to get that money disbursed.

The furnace went out last week at the Union Hall. A new one was purchased.

On Jan 22 and 23 the Asbestos x-ray program will take place at the Farm Bureau building.

Wayne said we had a picture in the paper as well as a short article about our successful toy drive and money collection. Over the years we have donated \$6215 and lots of toys. Wayne and the others were able to see the Toyland. Parents are allowed to go through and pick out one major and two minor toys for each of their children. Lots of socks were also collected to be distributed. Next year in October we will try to have someone speak about the toy drive at our regular meeting.

If you did not pay your dues today please do so in February.

We adjourned at 2:20 p.m. with a fellowship time following.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Walt Secretary