SOAR Minutes

August 13, 2019

1:30 pm

President Jerry Redington brought the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. The Roll Call of Officers was taken and all were present except for Gary Kraft.

The minutes were approved as read. The treasurer gave her report.

A motion was made to include a check for \$100 to our Thank you card for the speaker from Contact at our last meeting. The motion was seconded and passed. We will consider Contact again when we make our end of the year donations.

Geri announced that Hospice of NWIL from Stockton has closed its doors. We have supported them in the past.

Robocalls are a problem for all of us. People are hesitant to answer when they don't recognize the number. Now they are able to pick numbers that we might recognize. Some answer and let the person talk on until they get tired. Others avoid the call and if it is important the person will leave a message or contact you through the mail. Most reputable callers such as the bank, social security, your health insurance or the police department will leave a message or most likely contact you by mail.

We planned last year to have Salvation Army talk to us about the toy drive in September or October before we do our toy collection.

Mary Meier has not retired yet but would like to have a replacement trained before she does.

Susan mentioned she had attended the Steward training last week for the School District employees and gave a talk about what our concerns were and why we became unionized 20 years ago. A discussion followed about organizing and improving the working conditions for employees.

The tire plant has about 240 employees.

We adjourned at 2:11.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Walt Secretary