

SOAR meeting

February 13, 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 of the January meeting were read and approved. Rapid Response sent a letter with postcard sheets. The letter requested we fill out the postcards to be sent to our US congressmen and women. The postcards asked for help in keeping Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid fully funded as they are now. The postcards were passed out and then collected so they could be sent in one envelope.

The Treasurer gave her report.

To improve communications with the plant we will submit information to the Titan newsletter as well as bulletin board postings. It was suggested that we start in September with communications about the toy drive.

The Asbestos x-ray program took place in January with 310 people being x-rayed. Those with a problem will be notified quickly but others will hear in March. Jerry was asked to look through some product books to see if he recognized any and others in maintenance were also asked to do this.

Jerry has recently returned from Texas where he crosses the border into Mexico to buy his medications. He feels he saves a lot of money by doing this.

Someone asked Jerry whether we would like to have a political candidate to speak to us. Jerry felt we have too many diverse political views to choose just one speaker.

If the stock market drop continues, will it affect VEBA? Jerry said VEBA is not too invested in the stock market very heavily because it does fluctuate so much. If Medicaid or Medicare loses funding then VEBA will be in trouble since it will need to make up the difference.

We adjourned at 2:30 p.m. with a fellowship time following the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Walt, Secretary