

SOAR minutes

July 11, 2017

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 for the June meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was given and approved.

Don Hill, President of Local 745, told us the plant was closed for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holidays and everyone was back to work this week. The contract was accepted. Seven new employees were hired and more are needed. In the past two years there have been a lot of retirees. Jerry thanked Don for seeing that the hall was set up for our picnic last month. We also expressed gratitude for all the help from Mary Meier.

A discussion of how the picnic went last month was given. Most people left after the door prizes were distributed. Originally we had thought to play bingo but not enough interest. Some new members attended. Diane did a great job on the pulled pork, door prizes and potato chips and she wasn't even able to attend. Wayne presented her with a thank you gift, one of his wonderful bird houses. Communication to all the members is a problem. It is very expensive to send a mailing. Information is on the Facebook page and word of mouth is used. We do need to make more of an effort to get the school district retirees to come. It was also noted that it is less expensive to have it at the hall than at Jane Addams and having it on a meeting day means more people can make it. A motion was made and passed that we hold the next picnic at the hall on June 12, 2018, our regular meeting date.

The Raffle drawing will be held at our next meeting in August. Wayne has set up four dates, July 25 and 26, and August 1 and 2, to sell tickets at the plant. We will have at least two people at the 6 to 8 a.m. shift and the 2 to 4 p.m. shift on each date. Wayne will send a notice for the bulletin boards at the plant so they know we are coming.

Wayne was informed that the Journal Standard also charges extra for the weekly TV guide and the quarterly Game magazine as well as the 815 magazine. Call the paper's office and tell them you don't want them.

We adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan Walt, secretary