

SOAR minutes

March 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 February 13 meeting were approved as read.

The Treasurer gave her report.

Don Hill, President of Local 745, updated us on what was happening. The Local will have an election of officers in April. In May, the new officers will take their positions. Tire orders are down and there are 301 workers at the plant. This year the negotiated Profit Sharing will begin. Members are to share 2.25% of the profits. Tire rebate coupons have been sent out. You order your tires on line and can take advantage of special deals along with your coupon. You designate where you would like to have your tires delivered and they are sent there for installation. Titan had two appreciation days where sandwiches or pizza was served.

We discussed the situation of the new tariffs on Steelworkers and also the tariffs on tires.

Twenty-seven cards were returned last meeting to be sent to our Congress people about Medicare and Medicaid. Mary sent them off for us.

A discussion about the picnic was held. Susan referred to the July 2017 meeting minutes where we had made a motion to have the picnic at the Union Hall on our June 12, 2018 meeting date. We decided to stick with that date and place. Again, pulled pork will be provided along with sloppy joes. Everyone is asked to bring a dish to share. Everyone is encouraged to invite several non-attending retirees or those still working to come to the picnic. Personal invitations tend to get a better response.

Next November we will have election of officers. The trustees should audit the books sometime before then.

A letter should be sent out today concerning the status of the Asbestos x-ray program.

A discussion about prescription prices was informative. If the price seems too high or out of line with what you have been paying you should question the pharmacist. Sometimes it is cheaper to pay for the medication out of pocket rather than the copay. Also it may be cheaper per pill if you get a different amount of pills. If they are having a special on over the counter brands, that may be cheaper than your prescription. Your pharmacist should be willing to help you find the best deal.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 with a fellowship time following.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Walt  
Secretary