

SOAR Retirees Minutes
September 14, 2021
1:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by President Jerry Redington at 1:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and the roll call of officers was taken. All were present except for trustees Leo Patterson and Shirley Duchow.

The August minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer Geri Hendren gave a report of \$3086.80. Geri is retiring from her duties as treasurer. We thanked Geri for her 20 years of service. She has done an outstanding job.

Jerry announced that there has been several of our members pass away this last month. Some of the deaths were covid related. A moment of silence was observed for those who have passed away.

Ron Ethridge was nominated and elected at the August meeting to become the new treasurer. Wayne Komprood installed Ron in as an officer.

Wayne spoke to Delores and Tina and found that in the last few years they have spent money from their own pocket on meat and cheese for our hospitality time. We did not realize that and it was suggested that we reimburse them for their generosity. A motion was made and seconded to give each of them \$50 from our checking account. The motion carried. Ron will write a check to each of them.

Jerry attended a zoom VEBA meeting. One topic was whether the investments should be put into more aggressive accounts. Other topics were covered.

Jerry asked for suggestions in how we might raise money for the Salvation Army's Christmas toy drive. Wayne suggested we put containers out at the plant for monetary donations plus for toys. Rich suggested we contact Titan and the Union for donations as well as our own group. Wayne agreed to ask Titan for a donation.

At the plant the lowest pay is \$18 per hour and the tire builders got a raise.

Rich mentioned he caught covid even though he was vaccinated. He was glad he was vaccinated because the symptoms were bad enough with the help of the vaccine. Get vaccinated.

We will continue to meet wearing masks and forgoing the hospitality hour.

Sincerely,
Susan Walt
Secretary