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## **THE GOOD SAM CLUB**

September 17, 2005

The Fall State Committee Meeting of the Wisconsin Good Sam Organization was called order by Director Al Schattschneider at 10:00 AM on Saturday, September 17, 2005, at the Mauston Oasis Restaurant in Mauston. Following the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer by Carol Yoemans, from the Wisingles, the roll call was taken. 19 of the 26 Chapters (73%) responded. The Bay Samers, God's Country Campers, Lake-2-Lake Sams, Red Bud City Sams, S.O.V.E., Winnebago Wanderers and Wishigan Sams did not have a representative at this meeting.

Berneita Wienke, from Kinnic Kampers, made a motion to accept the minutes of the June 18, 2005 State Meeting as mailed out, with one correction. The nomination of Randi Owen for State Director was made by Second Chance Sams, not Jack Pine Travelers. The motion was seconded by Everett Burrows, from the Valley Bummers. The motion was approved with 18 yea votes, 0 nay votes.

Gert Fowler, from the Bell Ringers, made a motion to place the Treasurer's Report on file for future audit. The motion was seconded by Gordon Langer, from Jack Pine Travelers. The motion was approved with 19 yea votes, 0 nay votes. The report showed a June 18, 2005 balance of \$43,978.12 and a September 17, balance of \$40,409.70. There is a balance of \$325.73 in the account for "Dogs for the Deaf." Samboree income was \$19,361.28. Samboree expense was \$13,611.65. Samboree profit was \$5,749.63.

A question was asked about new members not showing on the rosters from International. This could be a timing problem. Director Al explained there is a form that was included in the President packets that should be used for additional members. Make a copy of the blank form and use it throughout the year. Send these to Sharon Kreul and she will forward these to International.

Director Al has invited Joyce Borkowski, from the Milwaukee Roamers, to be on the audit committee. Joyce is a CPA by trade. Jim Eggert, from Milwaukee Roamers and John Schmid, from On the Road Again, volunteered to be the others on the committee. The audit will be next Sunday, September 25, 2:30 PM at Sharon Kreul's home.

### **Correspondence**

Director Al received the updated copy of the Jack Pine Travelers constitution & by-laws.

The Mississippi Samboree, October 27-30, has been canceled. The status of the Louisiana Samboree is unknown at this time.

### **Assistant Director's Reports**

Vera Budzinski, Assistant Director NW. The northwest Jumbo is scheduled for July 21-23, 2006 at Medford. Early bird on July 20, but not before 3:00 PM. Wal-Mart is trying to buy the Taylor County Fairgrounds in Medford, so it may be necessary to find a different location. There were 56 rigs at the 2005 Jumbo.

Dale Haltinner, Assistant Director NE. They had 31 rigs at the Northeast Jumbo. Dates for next year are August 11-13, 2006, with early bird after 1:00 PM on August 10, at the Waupaca County Fairgrounds at Weyauwega. Other fairgrounds in the area have been looked at, but they either don't have the facilities or are too expensive.

Jim Eggert filled in for Rich Neuberger, Assistant Director SE. They had 33 rigs at the Southeast Jumbo. Tentative dates for 2006 are July 7-9, with early bird July 6. They are looking for a new location as camping rates at Elkhorn are getting too expensive.

Pat Kelley, Assistant Director SW. They had 36 rigs at the Southwest Jumbo. Pat & Dick are retiring as Assistant Directors SW. Dates and location for 2006 are unknown at this time. Director Al thanked Pat & Dick for their service. Our new State Director will be appointing a new Assistant Director SW.

Great North American RV Rally was held in Redmond, Oregon July 11-14, 2005. There were approximately 5,600 rigs on the grounds and another thousand on display.

Great North American RV Rally for 2006 will be held at Daytona International Speedway, Daytona, Florida, April 7 to 10. Early bird starts April 5.

### **Old Business**

Contracts for Tomah are signed. Dates are as follows: 2006 - June 15-18 with early bird June 14; 2007 - June 14-17 with early bird June 13; and 2008 - June 12-15 with early bird June 11.

### **New Business**

Director Al asked for nominations for State Treasurer. Jim Welcing, from the Shawano Area Campers, nominated Sharon Kreul. Berneita Wienke seconded the nomination. John Schmid, from On the Road Again, made a motion to close nominations. Jim Schneider, from Paper Valley Breakaways, seconded the motion. The motion was approved with 19 yea votes and 0 nay votes.

Director Al received a letter of resignation due to health reasons from Will Lorenz, State Organist/Sound Equipment Manager. It appears we have three options as far as sound

equipment. Option 1, purchase new equipment. Cost could be around \$1,300.00 Option 2, is to buy used equipment. Option 3, is Will's equipment. Will would donate the equipment for us to use, but Al feels we should pay Will for his equipment. Randi Owen could get us a price on equipment wholesale. Director Al suggested we get Will's equipment, give him a check for \$200.00 and comp him for future Samborees as long as he is able to attend. A committee composed of Max Lytle and Randi Owen will look at purchasing new equipment and report back at the Spring State Meeting. The equipment from Will could be used then as backup equipment. Berneita Wienke made a motion to obtain Will's equipment, give him \$200.00 and full comp for future Samborees as long as he is able to come. Motion was seconded by Dave Goossen, from the Apple River Drifters. The motion was approved with 19 yea votes, 0 nay votes. Vera Budzinski suggested we have a plaque made for the years of service Will has given us.

Every Chapter received in their packet their Chapter rosters. Don't wait for your election of officers. Update your roster, make a copy for yourself and return the roster, along with the \$5.00/member State dues to Sharon Krueel, as soon as possible. Don't blackout any information. Draw a line thru incorrect information and write in the correct information. For members that belong to another Chapter (name the Chapter). Do not include members on your roster that are no longer International members. Any questions, contact Al or Sharon.

Director Al introduced Jean Goossen, Wisconsin State Director elect. Jean thanked everyone for their support. Her short term goal is for a successful 2006 Samboree.

Red Johnson, from Minnesota, has been coordinating our "Jam" sessions at the Samboree. In the past, we have given him a full Samoree comp in appreciation for coming and bringing his sound equipment. Al thought that maybe we also need to give him some money, since he is entertaining. Ron Cater, from Sawdust City Sams, suggested we leave this up to the State Director to compensate Red as they see fit.

The Tomah Chamber of Commerce will not be doing bus tours this year. Their budget was severely cut. They will have the booth as usual at the Samboree. The Chamber will have driving tours available (car pool). The Chamber will try to help us out with more seminars by local people. They will provide the Friday night entertainment and a popcorn wagon with 80 pounds of popcorn.

It was suggested that we have more than one juice container from McDonalds. This would allow for one in each building and not having to transport the one between buildings.

Berneita Wienke asked that everyone save their can tabs and bring them to the Samboree.

Director Al suggested the State purchase 2 really good sets of Bocce Ball, not to exceed \$300.00 for the 2 sets. Al asked for a show of hands. There were 18 yea votes, 0 nay votes.

The golf outing at the Samboree will be at Hiawatha Golf Course this year and will include carts.

See attached Samboree Task Sheets for activities your Chapter will do. We need more crafts at the Samboree.

Director Elect Jean would like to have a costume parade and a rig decoration contest at the Samboree. Outside Directors would be the judges. Dale & Dorothy Haltinner are in charge of these contests.

Randi Owen is asking for articles for the Sam-A-Gram. The deadline is February 15, 2006. Randi also added a few items to our web page. There is a section for Youth and a section for Members-at-Large.

Bonnie Owen reported she received a Thank-you letter from the Boys and Girls Club of Tomah for the donation of the fleece blankets our Youth made at the Samboree.

Question was asked about Katrina Hurricane Relief. See the Email from International regarding matching donations, included with these minutes.

Bob Hanson, from the Second Chance Sams, presented a "unique" wooden golf club to Al.

Al & Carol thanked everyone for their support over the past four years. Al challenged each of our Assistant Directors to start one new chapter in their area each year.

Motion made by Berneita Wienke to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Jim Schneider. Motion was approved with 19 yea votes, 0 nay votes. Adjourned at 11:58 AM.

Jim Vetter  
State Secretary