

**GOOD SAM RECREATIONAL VEHICLE ASSOCIATION OF ILLINOIS, INC.  
STATE BUSINESS MEETING SATURDAY, July 14, 2018**

On Saturday, July 14, 2018, the Good Sam Recreational Vehicle Association of Illinois, Inc. State Business Meeting was held at the Champaign Sportsman Club, Mahomet, IL. Director, Carolyn Schaefer called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. A prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

No one is hosting the meeting.

Roll Call was taken. Chapters in attendance were – Chamco Sams, Forest City Sams, and Prairie State Sams. Salty Sams and Sunshine Sams attended the morning session.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT** – Jeanette Gawronski, Secretary. Patti Jayne made a motion to accept the minutes with spelling corrections, Steve McKillip 2<sup>nd</sup> it. Approved.

**TREASURER'S REPORT** – Bob Myers, State Treasurer

The first report was from July 30, 2017-December 31, 2017. We have a checking account balance of \$7,435.50 and a savings account balance of \$6,817.26 for a total of \$14,252.76. This includes the \$3,761.18 that Harold gave us from the Patch Packer account and \$500.00 we received from the sale of the red trailer.

The second report was from January 1, 2018 – July 12, 2018. We have \$6,149.67 in checking and \$10,824.49 in savings for a total of \$16,974.16.

The 2017 Rally report indicated \$7,359.75 in Income and \$9,806.10 in Expenses for a Loss of \$2,446.35.

These reports were filed for audit.

Bob told us about the new contract he and Carolyn negotiated with the Fair Board. It is \$600.00 for the week plus \$8.00/rig and we pay the electric bill. The figure this will save about \$1200.00 - \$1300.00. We will charge \$8.00 for the campers who come in early to set-up the fairgrounds. Instead of multiple 8 passenger golf carts we will use small ones. Bob will not mail a card back to those who register for the Rally. You will pick up your card at check-in. We will have scooped ice cream for the Ice Cream social instead of pints. These and some others are cost saving measures.

Not many are registered for the Rally. Get your registration sent in. Encourage others to come.

**ELECTION OF STATE TREASURER** – Bob Myers was nominated as treasurer and elected for a 2-year term.

**PRESIDENT**

Patti Jayne and Jerry are new assistant directors. There are only two Assistant Directors now. Three chapters have told her they are going to turn in their charters. So far none have.

**CHAPTER/BOARD INPUT** –

Steve McKillip – Assistant Director -- He had a booth at a local car show. Many stopped but no interest. We have two new members from talking to people at campgrounds. Please notify him if anyone shows interest in needing a Chapter via the state website or by word of mouth.

Patti Jayne – Assistant Director -- Decorations are coming along for the Rally. She is not sure what an Assistant Director does. Carolyn will let them know what Chapters are under each of them and will talk to Patti about duties.

Carol Froeschl – Publicity/Webmaster – no report.

Marie Schiera – Historian – not in attendance

Rosemary Egan – Membership -- not in attendance. Someone asked about state membership cards and was reminded that we voted to do away with them.

Jim Landry – Communications – no report

Chaplain – POSITION OPEN

Equipment – John Frank -- not in attendance

Game Coordinator – Steve McKillip – no report

Legislative – Mike Morgan - not in attendance

Hospitality – John Schaefer – Jerry Schiera will help. Chapters bring fruit & veggies and rigs bring cookies.

Nutritionist – POSITION OPEN

Wagon Master – Eric Brown, a past Indiana State Director will coordinate

Photographer/Youth – Amanda Gawronski – She has spoken to Bob about the distribution of funds to the charities the youth chose. \$500.00 will be left in the fund and the rest will be split evenly between the National Military Family Association for Operation Purple Camp, which serves children of active military personal (the camp is in Indiana), Illinois Special Olympics, and St. Jude's.

Chamco Sams – Patti Jayne – Same problems as everyone else. More campers are on the books than camp with the Chapter. No count on how many are coming to the Rally.

Forest City – Steve McKillip – We are maintaining. We have added new members but some of our “old” members no longer have a camper or cannot camp due to illnesses. We will do the First Timer bags for the Rally. If someone has things for the bags bring them to the Rally. We will make 12 bags.

Prairie State Sams – Jim Landry – the was the last year for the Campout for Charity. They raised about \$5500.00 this year. It is getting to be too much work. Their Chapter is aging as are the other Chapters. They may have a Campout with Friends and not just let people enjoy camping and each other.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Rally – Much was discussed at the morning informal meeting. Last year National gave us \$300.00 towards door prizes. This year we received \$120.00. Carolyn and John have bought prizes. Bob will provide an Easy-up for check-in instead of the canopies. He will try to sell the canopies. If people have questions about Illinois Good Sam/Rally please send them to Bob's [ilgstreas@gmail.com](mailto:ilgstreas@gmail.com) account not his personal account.

Remember each Chapter should provide at least 2 door prizes each worth \$10.00 and 1 Blue Light Special prize also worth at least \$10.00. Forest City Sams will do the Blue Light Special this year. The Dump Stations will have a hose attached again this year. Carolyn reminded people that the Memorials for the plaque are due by August along with \$10.00. this is so she can get them engraved. Other recognitions – Man & Woman of the Year, Bud Guymon, Chapter of the Year – are due by noon on Friday, August 21,

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Amanda G. suggested we give the Scholarship money to Henry High School for scholarships to be given in the name of Illinois Good Sam. We do not have many children coming up who will apply for it. Someone from Illinois Good Sam could present the scholarship on Baccalaureate Night. Discussion ensued about how this will happen. Amanda said it would be done in conjunction with the high school to develop guidelines for it. Amanda made a motion to do this, Steve McK. 2<sup>nd</sup> it. Approved. Carolyn appointed Amanda and Becky to contact the high school and develop guidelines.

The dates for the 2019 Rally will be June 26-30 at the Marshall-Putnam Fairgrounds in Henry. Themes suggested were – Moo-ving On, The Great Outdoors, Summer's Here, Good Ole Summer Time. Voting took place and Moo-ving On was the winner.

We need to start thinking about who to nominate for State Director in 2020. Carolyn will not run again. Two states have become inactive due to lack of leadership and others may. Do you want this to happen to Illinois? This is a serious question.

**Fall State Meeting**

October 13 at Marshall-Putnam Fairgrounds in Henry. Forest City will host with a lunch. Please let Carolyn know who is coming so we can get a head count. It will be held in the annex building. The **Spring meeting** will be April 13 also at Marshall-Putnam Fairgrounds in Henry. Need a host for it.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanette Gawronski  
Secretary