

**GOOD SAM RECREATIONAL VEHICLE ASSOCIATION OF ILLINOIS, INC.
STATE BUSINESS MEETING SATURDAY, April 25, 2015**

On Saturday, April 25, 2015, the Good Sam Recreational Vehicle Association of Illinois, Inc. State Business Meeting was held at the Marshall Putman Fairgrounds in Henry, IL. Director, Harold Copas called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance and the Good Sam Pledge was said followed by Carolyn Schaefer giving a short prayer to guide the State Committee in their decisions. Roll call showed 13 chapters in attendance, 7 chapters with no representation and 15 state officers in attendance.

It was 44 degrees out and raining. The recording was affected by the rain on the metal roof.

No one is hosting this meeting.

SECRETARY'S REPORT – Jeanette Gawronski, Secretary

Harold reminded people that when they receive letters, information, etc. from that they are responsible for passing it on to the members of their Chapters.

Minutes from the October 2014 meeting were accepted. Prairie State made the motion to accept and Roamin' Sams 2nd. Approved.

CORRESPONDENCE –

There is a card to sign for Sandy Howard.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Bob Meyers, State Treasurer

11/12/14 to 4/25/15

State Financial Report:	Balance Forward from Don Husser 11/12/2015:	\$15,171.00
	Checking	\$1500.00
	Savings	\$13,671.00

Receipts:

Income:	\$2,544.98	
Expenses:	\$877.00	
	Ending Balance:	\$16,838.98

Allocation of Funds:

General Ledger:	\$10,266.38	Charity:	\$524.18
Scholarship:	\$1088.54	Youth:	\$4,247.86
Web Site Funds (from Camping World)			\$712.02

Checking:	\$459.00	
Savings:	\$16,379.98	
	Balance on Hand:	\$16,838.98

Questions were asked about why so much in the Youth account and how the Scholarship works. Jeanette explained that the Youth need to tell the Treasurer what Charity to send part of their money to and that there are guidelines for awarding the Scholarship. As of right now we will have someone able to apply in a year for the 2017-18 college year. Bob will transfer some money to checking from savings. He will also be running the election for the position of State Director at the June meeting.

Prairie State made a motion to accept, 2nd by Second Change Sams. Report held for audit.

Bills presented for payment:

Harold Copas (State Draw-\$750.00) \$750.00; Assistant State Directors Draw -- \$35.00 each to Steve McKillip, Marilyn Yenney, and Wayne Wolf -- \$105.00; Donuts - \$53.23; Jean Skelly Sam-O-Gram - \$15.00. **Total: \$923.23.** No comments or questions were received. Report held for audit.

Patch Packer Report: Harold Copas

October 4, 2014 – March 20, 2015

Beginning Balance	\$1920.58
Income -	\$58.49
Expenses -	\$0.00
Ending Balance	\$1979.07

\$467.00 will be on next report for sales to Prairie State Sams.

No comments or questions were received. Report held for audit.

Illnesses –

Sandi Howard is under hospice care. Mike Morgan is still in Alabama and his doctor has not released him to come home.

State Officer Reports

Secretary – Jeanette Gawronski – No report

Treasurer – Bob Meyers – No report

Samboree Coordinator – Neil Aten

Chaplain – Carolyn Schaefer – She questions where the collections go. Jeanette reminded everyone that we voted to split the money four ways between the Charities we voted on a few meetings ago. Worship service will be at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday and will last about 30 minutes.

Communications – Stevie Session -- No report.

Equipment – John Frank – Not here.

Historian – Marie Schiera – No report.

Legislative – Mike Morgan – Not here.

Membership – Rosemary Egan – we have 19 Chapters and 192 members. Some members are counted more than once because they belong to more than one Chapter.

Nutritionist – Becky McKillip – Meals were discussed on the morning meeting and she will meet with Harold about them. She complimented Harold on the good job of coordinating the Samboree.

Patch Packer – Open

Photographer – Open

Publicity – Jean Skelly –

Wagon Master/Assistant Samboree Coordinator – Budd Meents – Bring your friends. If you are volunteering to help park rigs you will never park a rig for someone or plug their electric cord in. We cannot park rigs awning to awning.

Webmaster – Ed Gawronski – The Sam-o-gram is up on the Illinois Good Sam webpage. If you wish to join the Illinois Good Sam Facebook page email Ed (ajeg@charter.net) name, email, and Good Sam number. If you give Ed your name and email today he will add you. The Facebook page is closed, meaning it is only open to and can

only be seen by Illinois Good Sam members. The Treasurer report will not be put up on the webpage. The Secretary's minutes on the webpage are unofficial. All items put up on the webpage must be approved by Harold. If you send it to Ed (ajeg@charter.net) he can forward it to Harold.

Youth – Amanda Gawronski – Not here. Remember to bring a prize for the Blue Light Special. Something worth \$10.00 or more and new. Thanks.

Assistant State Directors

Steve McKillip – No report.

Tom Odle – No longer an Asst. State Director.

Wayne Wolf – Don't forget to bring two (2) dozen cookies/bars/etc. per rig to the Samboree and each Chapter should bring fruit. They need help with Hospitality. This is Wayne's 17th and last year in charge of Hospitality.

Marilyn Yenney – Camping season has started. She is working to get new members.

Old Business:

There are handouts about awards to be given at the Samboree, the dress code for State Staff, and others. The dress code says State Staff wear black bottoms and red tops at official events. Vests are worn depending on the weather. All nominations need to be in sealed envelopes and given to Harold by August 1. Use only the current year for Chapter of the Year. You should submit a letter and the form and a scrapbook or PowerPoint presentation. Out-of-state Directors will decide who wins. The Man or Woman of the Year does not need to be a married couple. There are patches for the Ohio Valley Region available from the Patch Packer. We will collect canned goods for the food pantry in Henry. Wayne usually gives the unopened, packaged leftovers to a nursing home. Remember to bring door prizes and one for the Blue Light Special. The Buffalo Farm will provide a food cart again this year. They were very happy with the support they received. Please sign up to volunteer on the forms on the front table. The golf carts cost \$900.00 for 6 carts and the insurance is \$163.00. We discussed and voted to keep collecting aluminum cans and tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Turn them in at your local recycling center and present the receipt, noting pounds and money, and money at the Samboree. We will have the Blue Light Special this year. We need members to bring their children & grandchildren to participate in the Teen/Youth programs. The Memorial Service will be during the Sunday Worship service.

New Business:

There will be an election at the June meeting for a new State Director. Nomination forms and requirements are on the front table. If no one is elected the State organization goes into dormancy. The State Treasurer and money will stay in place. The Chapters will stay. There will not be a 2016 Rally.

Regional Directors – Dave & Patty Morgan

Dave said he and Patty were appointed not elected nor did they volunteer to be Regional Directors. Patty & Dave thanked us for asking them to attend our meeting.

Themes for the 2016 Rally were discussed. Ideas are: Happy Trails, Christmas in September, Boots & Saddles, Up, Up & Away, Pistols & Petticoats.

No Potluck tonight. Supper on your own.

Bureau Valley made a motion to adjourn, Prairie State 2nd it. We adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanette Gawronski, Secretary