



General Business Meeting
August 17, 2019
Three Island Crossing, Glens Ferry, Idaho

- A. Opening Ceremony: Tom introduced Sharon Cairns, President, Region 10. Sharon shared updates on the new data base where each member will receive a vote instead of each "red number" receiving one vote. There is also a new marketing strategy. Exciting and modern new logo. All new members will receive the new logo. Recently approved and the rollout is in process. Region 10 is scheduled for July 22-26, 2020 in Linden, Washington. International is scheduled June 20-27, 2020 in Loveland, Colorado. Registration for International is open.
- B. Meeting called to order at 1005. Pledge of Allegiance recited.
- C. Roll Call (officers)
Tom Usselman, President
Bill Sargent, 1st VP
Larry Warren, 2nd VP
Larry Conn, Treasurer,
Ann Sargent, Secretary
Pete Goedeking, Past President, absent
Trustees present: Jerry Settle, Lucky De La Pena, Lynda De La Pena, Ray Hoem (absent)
- D. Approval of April 28, 2019 minutes: Motion to accept as presented moved by Bill Sargent seconded by Lucky De La Pena. Approved unanimously.
- E. Reports of Officers and Committees
- i. President – Tom complimented everyone for taking a leadership role.
 - ii. Treasurer - Required to cash out CD, about \$5000. Checking account currently has approximately \$11,000. When new officers installed (signatures required) a money market account will be opened and funds transferred.
 - iii. Secretary – none
 - iv. Trustees – Jerry Settle announced that a \$1000 donation was received from Adventures Northwest. This is an annual request and handled by Jerry.
 - v. Past President – absent, no report
- b. Standing Committees Report
- i. Budget – none
 - ii. Caravan – Darrell Ostin reviewed plans for the "Oregon Coast" caravan scheduled in September. Reminded everyone going to check your tire pressures and make sure your tires are appropriate. Jerry

- Settle informed the group that there will be an email 2 weeks prior with specific directions to Troutdale plus any updates to the caravan.
- iii. Constitution and Bylaws - Bill Sargent, 1st VP, will be announcing a process for review in 2020.
 - iv. Historical - none
 - v. Membership – Mim Davidson reported that in August 2018 we had 98 members and this August 2019 we have 107!
 Numbers by area: 15 North Idaho and Eastern Washington; 5 affiliates. New Spokane unit may affect our numbers.
 24 Eastern Idaho, Utah and Wyoming. This area begins at Magic Valley and heads east.
 68 Treasure Valley, 14 sponsored by Adventures NW. Fewer new members this year but more retained their membership. Note: you can still maintain membership if you no longer own an Airstream but membership ends if you buy another brand.
 Marilyn Usselman described her role as Sunshine coordinator. She makes monthly reminder calls to members for the monthly breakfast meeting; this takes 2-4 hours monthly. During these calls she finds “sunshine activity” that includes illnesses or hospitalizations for which she sends a card. She also announces birthdays and anniversaries at our monthly breakfast. She is looking for a partner – please see her or Mim.
 Gail Conn maintains the membership directory which is now on-line. Mike Schanze is our website master. Mike is also investigating the use of Paypal for rally payments and other activities.
 UPDATE: Jennifer Carr complimented Marilyn on the phone calls. Larry Warren volunteered to make calls February and March 2020 while the Usselmans are escaping winter.

E. Special Orders

i. Nominations for new Officers:

President; Bill Sargent

1st VP; Larry Warren

2nd VP; Kim Blackburn

Trustee: Lance Taylor

Trustee; Sharon Lawrence

Vote called; unanimous vote including 9 absentee votes.

ii. Continuing Officers:

Ann Sargent, Secretary

Larry Conn, Treasurer

iii. Retiring Officers:

Tom Usselman, former President

F. Unfinished Business

- i. 2020 Rally listing is posted on the website. Kim Schanze is our new Rally Coordinator with Judy Canada and Gail Conn as committee members.
- ii. Tom discussed communication within Executive Board. Every issue that

requires a vote must be presented to all members for
knowledge/discussion
prior to a vote.

G. New Business

i. Membership monies

We encountered an issue with four new members who purchased units from
Adventures Northwest in late May or June. Previously International would
prorate the
year but have recently implemented a deadline of June 15th. Checks were
received

after the deadline and returned. After discussions with both International and
Adventures Northwest adjustments were made. Adventures Northwest will
now cut an

18 month membership check for units purchased near the deadline.

ii. **Evaluate a club debit/credit card for use with State park rally site reservations.
Establish usage guidelines.**

Sites are reserved in January; each site is reserved at full cost with no discounts
applied. Each day of the reservation is paid at the time of the reservation. For
15 or

more sites this can be \$2,000-2,400 charged to the hosts credit card and
reimbursed by
the Treasurer.

Hosts collect Idaho Passport and Idaho RV sticker information for those signing
up.

These allowed discounts are up to \$30-40 per site credited to the original credit
ca

Cancelled sites are also credited to the original credit card. Hosts repay the
credit

amount back to the club. Transactions and records are in multiple places

**Determine a method to address non-refundable charges that cannot be
assigned to a**

person and/or are accrued as part of rally planning.

Each host must estimate/guess a reasonable number of sites when reserving 8-
10

months out. State and some private parks have a cancellation fee that is non-
refundable. Idaho State parks is \$20/site. Should the club cover these charges?
Should rally attendees pay? Should we consider not planning rallies in State
Parks?

A lively discussion ensued! Re-cap includes the unanimous agreement that rally
participants should not pay for expenses due to reservations, a process needs to be
determined for cancellations by implementing a non-refundable charge when
registering, bring back the round up to nearest dollar process for rallies, set limits for
registrations and insure that club costs (storage unit) are considered in pricing. Judy
Canada recommended that we table this until April 2020. Agreed that Executive
Committee will discuss at October meeting and determine options that will go to all
members for input via email and to a vote at the April 2020 meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 1104.

