

PARADISE TVARA CHAPTER MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
December 11, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Gary Southerland, Chapter President.

The opening prayer was offered by Charles Davison.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Gerald Joines.

Gary reminded the attendees to pay their 2019 dues to Sue Bartlett. He stated TVARA is encouraging members to sign up to pay dues electronically as members do not have to remember the annual payment. EFT also simplifies the work for the TVARA officers.

The John Blackwell health books had arrived and were available for pickup at this meeting. There are a few extra books if anyone would like one.

There were no new retirees at this meeting. The group welcomed retiree Donald Ward who was present for his first meeting.

Charles Perry read the following list of people who have been sent get well or sympathy cards since the last meeting.

Kenneth Gossar – Death in the family

J.C. Stacey Family - Death

Joyce Wilcox – Health problems and death in the family

Phil Wilkins - Death in Family

Steve and Renae Layne – Death in the family

Roy F. Bell Family - Death

Danny Walker – Health problems

Sam Loy – Death in Family

Clyde (Mutt) Mullen Family – Death

Paula Davis – Death in Family

Darrell McPherson Family – Death

Harold O'Brien Family - Death

Charles asks that retirees contact him with information on any illness or death concerning retirees. His cell number is 270-977-9365 (can leave voice mail or text this number.) His home phone is 270-657-2252 (leave name, phone number and message). He appreciates help with this important ministry.

Gary reminded the group that the Catfish Dock allows this group to meet here with no charge for the room. He encouraged members to express their appreciation by leaving tips.

The minutes of The September 11, 2018 meeting and picnic were sent to members by e-mail. A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes. Motion passed.

Sue Bartlett gave the treasurer's report as follows:

Beginning balance \$3833.74

Deposits \$1222.00

Checks written \$2170.25

Balance \$2885.49 (\$1228.73 of this total is Chapter money. \$1657.00 is left from completed BVI grant funded projects)

The president stated he had checked with Reny McClain-Lee, Volunteer Projects Coordinator as to what the Chapter should do with left over BVI funds. She said as long as the project was completed, the Chapter could roll over any remaining money into their general treasury. BVI does not want the money given back to them. A motion was made and seconded to move the BVI funds to the Paradise treasury. Motion passed. The treasury's balance will now reflect the \$2885.49 total.

BVI has approved \$3500.00 towards the Paradise Chapter's next project which is the Spring Ridge School remodeling. BVI will hold the money until the Chapter calls for it. Other groups must reconstruct the school's foundation before our chapter can add porches and ramps. This work will not start till spring of 2019.

The door prize was won by Larry Dunn.

Gary reviewed business reports from the TVARA Nashville Board meeting.

* TVA's power generation mix is about 40 percent nuclear, 20 per cent coal, less than 10 percent hydro and 10 percent purchase power and renewables.

*TVA is conducting assessments to evaluate the possible closing of Unit 3 at Paradise and/or the Bull Run plant. Gary sent out info Dec 3 by email about this matter and also gave a list of contacts for people to express their opinions.

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*An update of the retirement system was given. Earnings of \$450 million plus TVA's \$300 million contribution resulted in a slight increase in assets. Benefit payouts for the year are \$715 million. The bottom line is that \$750 million was taken in and \$715 million was distributed. TVA approved another \$300 million contribution for 2019.

*The Bank of New York Mellon has a new phone number dedicated to retirees only. 1 844-545-1256
Retirees may also enroll on their website to access their accounts.

*Non-Medicare insurance premiums for retirees will not increase but the deductible for this group will increase.

*It was reported that about 900 people attended the annual retiree picnic at Chattanooga this year. The committee organizing the picnic will look into another location for next year as there were sound issues at the Chattanooga location.

*Reny McClain-Lee, Volunteer Projects Coordinator of the BVI program is leaving this post. Penny Walker will be the new coordinator.

Paradise Chapter Christmas donations were discussed. An individual retiree contributed \$200 to the Wounded Warrior organization and challenged the Chapter to match the donation. A motion was made and seconded to give \$100 to Toys for Tots, \$100 to St. Jude's, \$100 to Salvation Army, \$200 to Wounded Warriors and \$200 to Kevin McDonald's son Korey who has cancer. Motion passed.

The nomination committee met to discuss elections and candidates for 2019 offices. Members of the committee are Darrell Sisk, Charles Perry, Gary Southerland, Betty Woodlee, Pat Cobb, Kenny Gossar and Larry Miller.

The committee contacted individuals as to their desire to hold an office. The floor was open to nominations. The following slate was presented to the Chapter for a vote. President – Pat Cobb, Vice President – Betty Woodlee, Secretary – Paula Davis, Treasurer – Sue Bartlett. A motion was made and seconded to accept this slate of officers. Motion passed.

Outgoing officers were recognized for their years of service.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Anita R. Southerland
Paradise Chapter Secretary

Those in attendance:

Jerry Basler	Lindel Arnold	Betty Woodlee	Nell Latham
Jackie Tucker	Charles Davison	Terry Southerland	Tommy Latham
Bud Miller	Gerald Joines	Larry Miller	Pete Sinks
Danny Lynch	Charles Hicks	Danny Wilkins	Earl Jones
Wallace Loyd	Jack Burden	Donald Ward	Doris Grace
J. Ramage	Milton Wilson	Sue Bartlett	David Grace
Terry Meredith	Charles Perry	Paula Davis	Gary Southerland
Louis Travis	Tommy Calvert	Darrell Sisk	Anita Southerland
Barry Bernard	Larry Dunn	Terry Settle	