

General Meeting of the Illinois Indians
Spring Outing
Iroquois County Fairgrounds
Crescent City, Illinois

The general meeting of the Illinois Indians State Club of the Winnebago International Travelers was called to order by President, Kelly Crabtree at 3:30pm on Friday, April 26, 2019 at the Iroquois County Fairgrounds, Crescent City, Illinois. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call

Cardinal Capers—2 coaches attending
Fourwinds—0 attending
Fox Valley—0 attending
Little Egypt—3 coaches attending
At Large Members—3 coaches attending

Treasury Report

Beginning Balance as of August 31, 2018	\$6,303.89
Income	1,015.82
Balance	\$7,319.71
Expenses	-1,072.38
Balance	\$6,247.33

Fall Outing Report—10 Coaches, 17 Adults

Income	\$892.00
Expenses	-858.82
Net Gain	\$ 33.18

Linda Burlison made a motion, seconded by Dave Hicks that the treasury report will be filed for audit.

Secretary's Report

With no corrections or additions, Ed Haggerty made a motion, seconded by Lawrence Tate to accept the minutes. A voice vote was recorded as followed: Aye – All, Nay – None.

Old Business

State Treasurer Position: Richard Korzun declined the Treasurer position. Opinions were stated about the treasurer position being held by the Secretary and conflict of interest. No other discussion followed.

Fox Valley: Bob Gardner reported to Barb Watne that he will not be attending GNR and Fox Valley does very little camping, mostly they just go out to eat. The Chapter has no interest in the State Club or our activities.

Fourwinds: President still works and cannot get other members interested in State Club.

Rally: The entertainment for this year's Rally will cost the state club \$1,000. We have paid a deposit of \$200.00. Kelly talked with the grounds keeper about including a fundraiser with the 4-H clubs on that day to bring in more attendees to listen to the band. Discussion followed. Linda Burlison made a motion, seconded by Gail Tate to forfeit our deposit and canceled the entertainment. Discussion followed. A voice vote was recorded as followed: Aye – All, Nay – None. Dave Hicks will contact Paula Olson about the vote to canceled the band. A statement was made about canceling the June Rally altogether. We have received door prizes and welcome bag items already and if we cancel the Rally, these items will be returned at the expense of the club. Barb Watne suggested to write a letter to the Chapter Presidents as well as the members informing them this will possibly be the last year for the Rally and encourage them to attend. Activities that are possible for the Rally are: another work day at the Food Pantry, The Gathering has offer coupons for a percent off of a meal or fudge if plans are to come into Gilman, tour of the bakery at Hometown Foods and the Country Theatre in

Cissna Park has a play going on that week. Barb mention about the area wide “Junk in the Trunk” festivities. The play is Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday afternoon. Suggestion: if we go either Friday or Saturday, go out to eat and the club pay for this in order to use up the money in the treasury. Other suggestions: instead of using the money for a meal the monies be divided up between the chapters and they give the monies to a charity of their choice. Kelly stated we are talking about the Rally at this time not dissolving the club. It was brought up to decide in June to dissolve the club. The secretary mention that a letter has to be sent to each member informing of the decision and if they agree or not agree. The president stated he is not a big hurry to dissolve at the June Rally but we should talk more about it at the Rally. A question was brought up about who will be responsible for the trailer and contents. A suggestion was to donate the trailer and contents to the fairgrounds. Linda Burlison made a motion, seconded by Gail Tate to include the price of the tickets (\$12.00) to the play at Cissna Park in the registration fee. A voice vote was recorded as followed: Aye – 13, Nay – 1. Members stated to try for Friday evening. Saturday Breakfast for the Rally: Mary Genaze, Pat McCormack, Tate’s volunteered to prepare breakfast for the Rally.

Notes from WIT: The theme for GNR is one of the past themes. A list from the past years was provided by the Secretary. President’s Appreciation Event is being planned during the Rally. Names for head of row (three) for each club, tent rentals are due June 1st. For tent rental, contact Apres Party & Rental. There will be no formal GNR Youth Program this year, instead family activities are being planned. Do not send donations. They will no longer be producing a printed WIT Club News publication on a regular basis, up to date information will be provided on the monthly eNewsletter. If you are signed up for GNR, you will receive a printed GNR Guidebook. A suggestion for the theme is “Blast from the Past”, this encompasses all of the themes. Kelly will call Jerry Bican to see if he is interested in doing the decorations for GNR which we will also use for the Rally and it was suggested to mention the “Blast from the Past” theme.

Mary Genaze: Mary mention that her daughter has moved in with her, Pat comes to our outing/Rally with her and we can contact them through Pat’s e-mail. Also, Pat is considered a member of Illinois Indians.

New Business

Prairie Scooners: Paperwork to dissolve Prairie Scooners will be filed. Two final checks will be written to close the checking. One to Watseka Food Pantry and the other to Iroquois County Fairgrounds.

Illinois Indians Future: This has already been discussed in old business. Kelly would like to wait until the Rally General Meeting to discuss the future, hoping for more attendance. A notice will be sent to all members concerning the discussion about the future of Illinois Indians. If it is brought up for a vote at that time, then the process will start.

GNR Head of Row/Tent Spaces/Tent Rental: Three heads of row: Crabtree’s, Hicks and Watnes. We will again rent two tent spaces (\$60.00). Kelly will take care of sending in names and money for tent spaces. Dave Hicks will call and rent the tent. Tent rental last year was \$306.45 The budget for GNR is \$1,000.

Food for Row Party: Suggestion: Old Fashion Candy.

June Rally: Cardinal Capers are in charge of activities. Tate’s have offered to do seminars on Technology, work day at the food pantry, Country Theatre Workshop, bakery tour at Hometown Foods were other suggestions. Linda Burlison made a motion, seconded by Gail Tate to change the Rally to Thursday thru Sunday. A voice vote was recorded as followed: Aye – All, Nay – None. \$15.00 will be deducted from the registration fee. You can still come early, just pay the \$15.00 per day fee. Thursday evening will be the Backyard BBQ with everyone bringing a side dish to share, Friday evening will be play at Cissna Park (tickets pay for through registration fee), both Friday and Saturday evening meals will be catered. Saturday: morning - “Junk in the Truck” community wide sale, Kelly will talk with Marvin about if any 4-H clubs could do something Saturday afternoon. Saturday evening: play a different version of card bingo.

Adjournment

With no further business, Beverly Davidson made a motion, seconded by Gail Tate to adjourned the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 4:37pm.

Respectfully submitted by:
Christina Crabtree, Secretary

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