

TEXAS STATE COMMITTEE MEETING

Saturday, April 12, 2025

2025 Texas State Rally – Mineola, Texas

The meeting was called to order by State Director Donna Mann at 8:53 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by State Director Rick Mann.

The Invocation was given by Jay Delmar, Texas State Chaplain.

State Secretary, Linda Runkle, did the official roll call. Twelve Chapters out of 18 were present.

The minutes of the previous Committee Meeting had been mailed to the Chapter Presidents prior to the meeting. A motion was made by David Mitchell of Arlington Sams to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Joanne Burnett of the Texas Red Hat Traveling Dolls. Motion was approved.

The treasurer's report for 2024 had also been mailed to the Chapter Presidents prior to the meeting. A motion was made to accept the treasurer's report by David Mitchell of Arlington Sams. The motion was seconded by Jim Locke of Cool Sams. The motion was approved.

There was no old business.

New business: Copies of 2 proposed SOP changes had been mailed to the Chapter Presidents 30 days prior to the Committee meeting. One revision to the current SOP had been submitted by Chuck Hayes. A new proposed SOP was submitted by Patti Dodds-Hollis and Ron Boullion. Director Mann requested Ron Boullion speak during the meeting to give a brief overview concerning the proposed SOP. During the discussion of the proposed SOP, it was noted that the term dates of the Treasurer and Director had been omitted. Under the "State Officers" section for both the Director and Treasurer, their terms would begin on July 1 and end on June 30. The Director is elected on odd years and the Treasurer is elected on even years. The election would remain in April. Joanne Burnett (Texas Red Hat Traveling Dolls) also requested the wording be changed in the "Reimbursement" section to read Mileage reimbursement should be equal to the current IRS rate. David Mitchell (Arlington Sams) made a motion to accept the SOP submitted by Patti Dodds-Hollis and Ron Boullion with the discussed additions and changes in wording. Motion was seconded by Bill Vinson (Texas At Large). Motion passed

Ginger Baker had been appointed Treasurer on January 1, 2025 since the SOP that was in effect at the beginning of the year did not allow the Treasurer and Director to be from the same family. There is no restriction in the new SOP that was adopted earlier in the meeting. Director Mann asked for a motion to allow Helen Woodard to be reinstated as Treasurer and to be able to complete her term. David Mitchell (Arlington Sams) make a motion to reinstate Helen to the position of Treasurer for the remainder of her term and be elected to serve an additional term. The motion was seconded by Joanne Burnett (Texas Red Hat Traveling Dolls). Several Chapter Presidents present in the meeting expressed concern about the Treasurer and Director being from the same family in general. There was no ill feeling against Helen, but did express concern about transparency overall. Director Mann stated she did have another volunteer who would accept the Treasurer's position. The motion was amended to allow Helen to complete her current term and to elect Mary Jo Litton as Treasurer beginning July 1 by Larry Walker, DFW Sams and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Darlene Diven (Slow Poke Sams). Chapter Presidents were asked to vote with a show of hands. There were 9 votes in favor of the amended motion and 3 votes opposed to the amended motion. Motion passed.

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Director Mann announced the mini rally trailer had been sold to Michael Harp. At this time the Texas Good Sam organization only owns the one remaining goose neck trailer that holds all of the equipment.

Committee Reports: Bill Vinson, equipment manager, reported that over \$1100 in equipment and games had been sold at the rally. It was announced all remaining 50 amp cords had also been sold. Additional boxes and containers in the trailer will be gone thru next rally and additional items will be available for sale. Currently the trailer is being stored in Grand Saline. However, the owner of the property was going to begin charging us rent at the end of the year. The trailer will be moved to property owned by David & Janet Mitchell, near Garland.

It was brought up that several attendees had trouble hearing speakers on the microphones. Jay Delmar, sound equipment manager, stated he is still learning about the sound equipment and hopefully things would be better next year. He also may be putting some sound equipment up for sale at the next rally.

Announcements: Director Mann stated that we might consider changing our name in the future to draw in additional attendees who are not familiar with Good Sams or who do not find us on the internet. There was some discussion about costs and how it could make it harder for people to actually find us. This idea has been tabled for now.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bill Vinson (Texas at Large) and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joanne Burnett (Red Hat Traveling Dolls). Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Runkle  
Texas State Secretary