

OPTIMIST CLUB OF FORT SAM HOUSTON

NOON MEETING MINUTES

April 24, 2014

President Rick Coleman called the meeting to order at 12:00pm.

The following members were present:

Ed & Pam Parnell	Dean Wilson	Jack and Fay Hopkins
Rick Coleman	Jack Kellmann	Sarah & "Y" Villarreal

Absent with leave:

Treasurer – Russell Shrader
Sgt-At-Arms – Bob Hogue

Sarah led us in prayer and Rick led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Guests:

There were no Guests or Special Guest Speaker

April Birthdays:

Russell Shrader – 23rd

Minutes:

The April 17, 2014 Noon Meeting Minutes were available and being as everyone at this meeting was at last week's meeting, the minutes were tabled and handed over to Sarah so that she could have a hard copy. *(She still resists, kicking and screaming any advancement into this new world of e-communication!)*
(Note! - Let the record reflect that upon receiving the minutes Sarah refused to read said minutes to the assembly!!)

Humor: was provided by Rick

Fines: Rick collected fines.

Announcements:

Fay announced that she had received a packet of information for Rick with instructions for voting for the 2014-15 Optimist International President; Executive Board Members and Regional Vice-President.

Pres. Coleman's vote will represent the Optimist Club of Fort Sam Houston.

Fay also reminded all club members of the South Texas District of Optimist International 3rd Quarter District Meeting May 2-4, 2014

Emerald Beach Hotel

1102 S. Shoreline Blvd.

Corpus Christi, TX 78401

Included in the Conference will be the Annual Oratorical Contest.

Students who have advanced through Club and Zone levels have qualified to compete at the District level for up to \$2500 in scholarships.

Sec. Wilson read an email received April 22, 2014 from:

Lois York

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502d F S S/FSRR

JBSA FT Sam Houston, TX 78234-2718

Stating that authorization of the Optimist Club of Fort Sam Houston to operate on Fort Sam Houston expired on 31 March 2012. The group is required to cease all activity on the installation until proper authorization is obtained. This includes meetings held on the installation and any advertisement of them.

Additionally, if the organization wishes to continue using the name "Fort Sam Houston" in the organization's name a naming waiver will have to be signed off on by the installation commander.

Sec. Wilson met with MS York on Friday, April 25th to address the situation and received the 502d Force Support Group Private Organizations, Unofficial Activities Handbook, necessary attachments and naming waiver to present to the Club Board Members on Tuesday May 06, 2014, scheduled Board Meeting Crown Towers Office Building 5th Flr. Conference Room, Loop 410 at Broadway.

Alternative Noon Meeting places will be one of the items addressed.

This is a very important board meeting that requires all board members be present.

Regular Club Members are also invited. If you wish to attend, please bring a folding lawn chair, as seating is limited mainly to Board Members.

Ed Parnell announced that he and his lovely wife Pam will be leaving for a week on Wednesday, May 30th to attend their grandson Ted and his lovely bride Jackie's wedding celebration in Cancun, Mexico. It's to be a full family affair. Also the Parnell's granddaughter Tammy is, as ED puts it, finally going to receive her Master's Degree from the local UTSA campus.

Rick announced that club member Lloyd Buckmaster has requested the Club's assistance in funding three (3) participants to Boy's State this year. The Club funded one (1) young man last year and he reported back with very positive results and if we fund three this year, that Lloyd have all three come back and give us a report on their experience.

Rick added that whoever is chosen, they be from families financially in need of this assistance. At this time Rick called for a motion from the floor that we request The Foundation for \$900 to fund three (3) participants at \$300 per person to attend the 2014 summer session at Boy's State. A motion from the floor to approve was seconded and passed.

Kitty Number:

Rick picked Ed Parnell's number for a win of \$9.00 to take to Cancun.

All said and all done, Ed led us in the recital of the creed after which the bell was rung to adjournment at 12:37 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dean T Wilson
Club Secretary 2013-14

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