

# NATIONAL EDGE & TA



Minutes of the 43rd Annual National Business Meeting Aug 30, 2003 Somerset, VA

Tim Wade opened the meeting with a prayer.

President Curtis Cook thanked Bill Roberts for letting Branch 35 come on the grounds to have this show. He said it is not an EDGE&TA show, it is their own local show. He said that Br 35 no longer has a show of their own that's why they opted to come here.

Curtis introduced the following: Dick Tombrink, Vice President from Montana

Howard Hodson, Director from Arkansas

Jerry Mac Martin, Web Master, Director from California

Dorene Yearian, Advisor from Missouri

Tim Wade, Director, from North Carolina

Ruth Warnock, Secretary/Treasurer from California

Bill Keene is not here because he did not run and opted not to come.

Cliff Northcote did not run and opted not to spend national money to come.

Curtis said he admired both of them for that.

Ruth Warnock did the roll call.

There were 10 branches represented

3, 8, 16,22,28,29,35,37,67, 125

Curtis asked if there was any old business left from last year.

There was none.

Curtis asked if there was any new business that anybody wanted to bring up.

There was none.

Report given on the results of the ballot

66 Branches voted

Howard Hodson for re-election with 60 votes will be SC area

Dorene Yearian with 58 votes will be NC area

Larry Voris, from Missouri, for Director at Large 38 votes

Don Young, from California, for Director at Large 35 votes

Branch's Motions.

Motion 1 10 yes 53 No

Motion 2 16 yes 47 No

Larry Voris is Director at Large, that's why he can live in the same area that Dorene does. Larry has to pick up the slack from all the other directors. Not just one or two, but every director.

Curtis talked about and showed a plaque that Branch 35 had made. Rob King designed it and Chuck Franklin had his friend in the UK cast them out of Brass. It is a design that Rob made for the Antique Engine Club of Tidewater, Br 35 EDGE&TA. One of the plaques was given to Rob King. They were being sold for \$7.00 each.

Curtis thanked Rob for taking the time to put this together.

Ruth read a letter from Cliff Northcote, president of Branch 22, inviting everyone to attend the 2004 National show that will be held at Santee Lakes, in Santee CA.

She announced that she had flyers with all of the information on them and invited people to take one.

Curtis thanked the large Missouri contingent that were there. Also for a long lost friend from Oregon that came in, as well as members from Cabool MO.

Curtis asked if anyone had any comments about our insurance program. He thanked Dick Tombrink and said he had done an outstanding job, he got the program up and running.

He said that Tim Wade had probably done 99% of the groundwork in the beginning.

Curtis asked if anyone had had any problems getting answers from Dick or Charlie Yeagan our insurance agent?

There were none.

He asked Jerry if he had any update on the web site.

Jerry said things were pretty much up to date.

Susan Naylor, treasurer for Branch 35 and Tom Meader, vice president were introduced.

Curtis asked if anyone had anything else.

Howard Hodson gave a report on the youth driver program. He said there are 9 states that are participating well in the program. He has 66 youth drivers signed up. He said there will probably be more when he gets home.

This is a program for the youth between the ages of 12 and 16 so they can drive tractors in a parade and on the show grounds. There is a learning program, a test, then the safety officer signs off on them indicating that they have filled all the requirements. He mails the application to Howard, and Howard then fills out a certificate and mails it back to them. It is a plastic covered card that they can clip on the collar so you can tell one of them when you see them . It is a bright orange in color. Howard said there had been some discussion on lowering the age limit, some of the board members have kicked it around, but feel that 12 years of age is as low as they want to go.

If there is nothing else we will adjourn if someone will so move. Dick made the motion, Ruth second. So moved.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ruth A. Warnock, Secretary