

General Meeting National Show Eagleville, TN

September 11, 2021 3:00 PM

The meeting started with Jeff leading the membership in the flag salute.

Jeff then thanked Travis Brown and his group of members from Branch 202 for all the hard work they did in getting this show going. He also thanked them for letting him drive their steam tractors around the grounds. He said that was worth driving 2,500 miles !

He then introduced the Directors in attendance:

Bob Craig, NC Director and Vice President

John Roderick, SC Director

Ron Hanson, SW Director

Travis Brown, SE Director

He explained that David Milsapp, the NE Director, could not attend due to health issues and the funeral of his Branch Vice President's wife

Morrie Robinson, NW Director, had been at the show yesterday but was absent today

The Roll Call was next on the agenda. The Branches represented at the meeting were

Branches 8, 13, 16, 30, 38, 202.

Jeff told the group that we now have 138 Branches and 6,322 members. He stated that Covid had really hurt us. We know that we lost 2 members in our branch due to Covid and have heard of many of the branches with losses. Also, due to the aging of our membership, we are losing members from other issues as well.

Old Business: Nothing to discuss

New Business:

Hall of Fame: Bob talked about how to nominate someone for the Hall of Fame and that there is a committee of three people that review the applications to see if the person is qualified to receive the award. The recipients receive a beautiful plaque and have their name engraved on the Hall of Fame National Board. Bob brought the three National Boards to the show for everyone to see.

Next year's National Show will be held in Republic, MO on September 15th-18th. Bob said that this show is very large with a great group of exhibitors displaying one-cylinder engines and tractors every year. He also said that they get a large attendance of spectators.

Bob then talked about the Youth Driver Certification. This is a program aimed at youth between the ages of 12 and 16. They need to be tested on the tractor that they will be driving. Usually, the Safety Officer is the person in each branch that does the testing. The test and form to send into EDGE&TA are found on the EDGE&TA website.

Jeff thanked everyone for coming to the show and thanked Travis and his crew again for a great show and a great time.

Meeting Adjourned 3:20