The April 16’th regular board meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by president, Tim Brain. Kathleen Lawson gave the invocation and Tim led the members in the pledge of allegiance.

**Roll Call:** Present were; Tim Brain, Joe Sigona, Jerry Stutzman, Kathleen Lawson, Tom Trainor & Bob Kilbarger. Fred Ferguson was absent. Nine club members were present in the audience.

**March Minutes Approval:** The minutes were accepted as presented after a motion to do so came from Joe with the second from Tom.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Jerry passed out a Farm P & L for 2017 and the show reports for both Saguaro and AJ. The bank balances were listed as follows; Checking was $28,051 and after deposits is now at $45,571. The Business Money Market Savings was $63,151 and is now $63,162. The Case 65 was $12,167 and now $13,655. There was discussion surrounding all three documents and they were approved after a motion from Joe with the second from Tom for the treasurer’s report and Kathleen made the motion to accept the Farm Land P & L with Tom as the second. Jerry said 88 past due notices for member dues, via postcards had been mailed out. Jerry was asked to prepare the check for the annual donation to the AJ Parks & Rec’s Dept. in lieu of a rental fee for the rodeo grounds.

**Farm Report-Leon:** The wheat was irrigated 4/9 and the corn patch was cultivated on 4/14 and 4/15 all by Leon. 100 gal. of liquid fertilizer is needed for the crops currently planted. The ConEx boxes are still in need of paint and need to be relocated after painting is complete. Tracy Leake volunteered to ram rod the con-ex box painting.

**AJ Show:** Tim asked when the date for the 2019 March show needs to be reserved and Leon said sooner rather than later. Missy Valenzuela will reserve the date when she drops off the check for the donation in AJ.

**SR:** Tom said the farm tours are complete for this year. The city of Glendale will hold a recognition BBQ dinner to thank and acknowledge their many volunteers and some of our club members were invited to the April 28th event. The farm plot at SR was planted with corn on April 14th after the soil prep of ripping and discing was done to properly aerate the plot. Tracy, Jerry S., Randy Waddle and Tom took part in the rip & disc fun.

**Old Business:** Missy gave a brief update on the club website. Kathleen read the letter that was sent to the Page Club thanking them for their donation of $500 to our club when their club disbanded. Tim stressed he wants to be sure that our insurance covers us for every event we hold going forward.

**AHAA:** Tracy Leake and Phil Frandsen were present to represent the C-3 aka AHAA. Tracy announced that Tractor Supply was holding a static display at the Avondale store and Randy Waddle had the info for anyone wishing to attend. Phil said the situation with the IRS and the C-3 has been resolved and he had a letter from the IRS on his phone and provided it for us to see and read. Tracy would like to see an outreach group form from AHAA. An example would be those members who have been organizing and operating the Young at Heart Tractor Drive at the shows would keep doing so as an off shoot of AHAA. Tim said as long as the AHAA board members keep tabs on the outreach group(s) and stays in touch with their agenda and reports their activities to the C-4 it should work.

**New Business:** Phil thought it would be a good idea to get going on the show flyers so that anyone leaving over the summer and traveling to other areas may like to take flyers to distribute. Both Tim and Phil agreed to order the show flyers for the 2019 shows now. **Tim announced that he, Missy & Phil** will once again co-chair the AJ 2019 Show. Chuck Cure mentioned that the VF Avery Tractor Club will hold their annual meeting in 2019 at The AJ Show, and thought it would be nice to have that info on the show flyer for AJ.
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**New Business cont.:** Joe Sigona made the motion to renew the SRP land lease for another 10 years on the current 20 acres. Tim made the motion to continue the lease and Jerry was the second and the motion carried so the lease will continue. A new discussion took place that included the P & L for 2017 as a basis to consider leasing an additional 10 acres west of what is now leased. Leon gave a brief description of what would be needed in order to get the land up to a farmable condition. The motion to add the 10 acres was made by Jerry and the 2nd came from Kathleen. The vote was 4 yes and 2 no. Leon will negotiate the lease and Phil will sign it.

Tim reminded us of the Annual Spring Meeting to be held on May 5th at the Days Hotel at 8955 NW Grand Ave.. The club is paying for our dinners but a donation of $10 per meal is being collected for all who attend. A vote for a change in the time club dues will be collected, decreasing the board of directors from 9 members to 7, and the election of the new board are the items being voted on. If a board of 7 is approved the offices that will be designated to be filled will be; President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Tractor Chair, Engine Chair, & Communications Director.

Tom reported that Todd Bakken had agreed to have his name placed as a board member candidate on the ballot.

**TABLED:** The safety procedures completion and voting.

A motion to adjourn was made by Kathleen and Joe made the 2nd. The meeting ended at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Lawson
AEDGETA Secretary