

October 2025 Secretary's minutes for Power from the Past EDGE-TA #240.

The October regular monthly meeting was held October 6, 2025, at Peace in the Valley Lutheran Church in Benson, AZ. The meeting was called to order by President Zane Parker at 6:00 P.M. We joined together in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members Zane Parker, Lyle Rasmussen, Jerry Hayes, Julia Davis and Rose Tidwell were present. There were 17 members in attendance.

The September Secretary's minutes and the Treasurer's report were both approved as read. The Vice President had nothing to report.

From the President we heard of the Butterfield Days in Benson and the changes planned for 2026. Our care person, Ruth Perkins was away, and the President shared her report.

Communications were received inviting us to the Benson Butterfield Days. Also, from Karen Reid we learned of problems with the button maker and her desire to find a new person to make the buttons.

Lyle gave us an update on the Western repairs thanking Barry Kanner for his efforts.

Safety Chair had no news to share. And we hear the New Mexico EDGE-TA chapter has a member that wants to join our next tractor ride.

We reviewed our up-coming events with final plans for Helldorado Days in Tombstone and November we have the event at the Caterpillar Proving grounds with a discussion of participating at the Benson Primary school event. And our recent events at both Santa Cruz and Cochise county fairs were reviewed with a strong kid interaction at both events and there was a big turn-out for lawn mower races at Santa Cruz.

In old business we heard the December dinner and meeting venue is set for Dec. 6th at the Benson Community Center.

In new business we discussed participating at the Benson Primary school fall festival October 25, the Benson Butterfield parade 10-11-25 and Cowboy Day at Empire Ranch Nov. 1. We agreed to plan on participating at the Benson Primary school but not at Empire Ranch or Benson Butterfield days. Next year looks more promising for our involvement at Butterfield Days.

We had a discussion on the pros and cons of making ice cream at more events and Jim White asked if his farm/ranch truck could be considered an exhibit.

Closing statements and the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Rose Tidwell, Secretary