

Freightliner Chassis Owners Club Business Meeting
Perry, Georgia – March 18, 2009

President Ron Sliger called the meeting to order at 5:23p.m. There were approximately 275 members in attendance. Ron asked for a moment of silence in Memory of President William (Bill) Buck. Bill will be missed by all, also we will miss having Priscilla at our meetings. Gerry DeHeer gave the invocation.

All First time attendees were asked to stand and be recognized, also the Perry volunteers for all their hard work. Ron Also thanked the people who are helping with the Pizza Party and who helped sign in the members. He, also thanked Kathe Letulle from the CAT Club.

President Ron Sliger introduced the Officers present, Tom James – Treasurer, Steve Batorson – Acting Senior Vice President, Barbara Knutson–Acting Secretary , Roy Hopper – National Director and Mary Costigan – Alt National Director.

President Ron Sliger introduced Bob Harbin President, Freightliner Custom Chassis Corporation and his wife Hermisia . Mr. Harbin said that Freightliner is doing well and they are now building a new Hybrid Chassis. He then introduced Jonathan Randal, who introduced the Freightliner support team.

President Ron Sliger thanked Ed and Lois Shinkle who drove 160 miles from their home in Ohio to Indiana and brought Bill and Priscilla back to their home to observe the Christmas holidays with them. He then thanked Tony Sippel who was in Indiana on vacation, he left his family to drive Bill and Priscilla and the coach back to New Hampshire after the holidays.

Ron introduced Sonny Gillespie International Area President and his wife Carol. Sonny will hold an old fashioned rally at Quartzite, AZ in January, 2010. Sonny and Carol asked members if they see a coach that does not have the FMCA egg on it to see if they belong and if not asked them to join. FMCA needs new members!

To make the meeting run smoother, Ron asked the members to please wait to be recognized before speaking and please state your name when making a motion.

Minutes of the St. Paul, MN meeting were published in the 3rd Quarter Newsletter. Ron asked that the reading of the minutes be waived. A motion was made and seconded, there were no further discussion. Motion carried. Ron asked if there were any corrections, there being none the minutes were accepted as published.

Next the Treasurers report was read by Treasurer Tom James. We have available cash on hand of \$103,303.07. The report will be included in the next newsletter. A motion was made and seconded to accept the Report. Motion carried.

National Director Roy Hopper reported that there were four Candidates for President of the FMCA, being Nelson Stubbs, Charlie Schrenkel, George Schipper and Bob Beers. There are three candidates for Vice President, June Davis, Judy Czarsty and Hollis Dick. There is one candidate for Treasurer, Bernie Dorbin. The election will be held in Bowling Green this summer at the FMCA Rally.

Senior Vice President Steve Batorson is wearing many hats, Vice President of Communications and also he is in charge of Rallies. Steve asked for a show of hands how many people get the newsletter on line and how many still get the newsletter in the mail. Steve said the newsletter is the largest single expense in the club. Members are encouraged to get the newsletter on line to cut down on postage. He also told the members that he was sorry that the dues were not posted from Dec to Feb 2009 as Kathy Kyzer at Freightliner is no longer working there, but the checks have now been cashed and members will get their new membership cards in the next week or two. He also, thanked Ron for taking on the job of President.

Nominating Committee Chairperson, Gerry DeHeer gave the committee report. The two people were appointed by President Sliger need to be confirmed to the position. A motion was made by Homer Hawks and seconded by Sandy Baker to nominate Steve as Senior Vice President, the motion carried with a majority vote. Then a motion was made by T. Ford and second by Sandy Baker for Barbara Knutson for Secretary. The motion carried by a majority. Then Chairman Gerry DeHeer gave the report of the nominations that will be held in Bowling Green, Ohio. The report will be included in the first Quarter newsletter.

There was no old business.

New Business: We need to accept the Bylaws as promulgated on the club website. A motion was made by Jerry Kline and seconded by Jerry DeHeer to accept the bylaw changes. The Motion carried by greater than a two-third (2/3) majority.

The FCOC Standing Rules as presented on the club website, must be brought to a vote. President Ron Sliger before bringing the Standing Rules to a vote, proposed that we refer FCOC SR Article V – Reimbursement of Club Officers from the Standing Rules and refer the article to a Special Committee for review. Ron made Senior Vice President Steve Batorson chairperson of the committee and asked for volunteers to help on this committee. A motion was made by D. Elliott and seconded by George Bradbury to accept the Standing Rules as written excluding Article V. The motion carried by a two-thirds majority vote.

The drawing was held for the \$100.00 dollar gas card. The card was won by Harold Watson. There being no new business, a motion was made by Homer Hawks and seconded by Gerry DeHeer to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:15p.m. The next business meeting will be held in July in Bowling Green Ohio.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara A. Knutson, Secretary