

FCOC Business Meeting - Marion, NC – August 20, 2006

This business meeting was a continuation of the FCOC Business Meeting held at FMCA in Concord, NC on August 16, 2006.

The meeting was opened at 1:10 pm by President Ken Hawk. There were seventy-seven members in attendance. Ken explained to those present that this meeting was a continuation of the business meeting held the prior week at FMCA, not a new meeting. The sole purpose of this meeting was to address the issue of expense reimbursement for FCOC Officers attending FMCA rallies, FCOC rallies, and other FCOC events.

Ken stated that even though this issue might not have to be presented to the membership, he, and other FCOC Executive Board members, would not make this decision without the membership's involvement. He stated that even though Congress has been known to vote themselves pay raises, the FCOC Officers would not do likewise.

At the FCOC Business Meeting in Concord, NC, Don Ingle stated that the FCOC President should be reimbursed for travel expenses to include fuel and rally fees. A motion was made by Walter Wight to reimburse the FCOC President the following: FCOC dues, and travel expenses, including fuel and rally fees for FCOC rallies. The motion was seconded by Bob Smith. Jill Baumann suggested that the expenses of other FCOC Officers should also be reimbursed. The motion was tabled until the continuation of that business meeting in Marion.

A motion was made and seconded to take the above motion "off of the table" and dismiss it. The motion carried.

Ken then asked Gerry DeHerr to come forward and introduce a re-written motion for reimbursement. The motion, as initially presented and finalized, follows.

The President of FCOC shall be eligible for a 50% (100% as finalized) refund of fuel expenses, from point of origin to his/her next destination, to attend FMCA and/or FCOC rallies and other activities directly related to FCOC. (Effective immediately as finalized*)*

All other FCOC Officers (excluding those already paid by FMCA) shall be eligible for a 25% refund of fuel expenses related to the same activities.

Registration fees to attend the foregoing activities by the President shall be paid by FCOC.

Fuel receipts marked "First fill-up" to "Last fill-up" must be submitted to the Treasurer for the refund.

Final approval shall be the responsibility of the Treasurer, as FCOC funds must have a 10% surplus over liabilities before refunds are paid.

** See discussions below*

Gerry made a motion to accept the above. Ed Laughter seconded the motion. Ken asked if there was any discussion. Ron Sliger asked when this would become effective. After

discussion, it was decided that reimbursements would be effective for the current Concord/Marion rallies.

There was discussion to clarify reimbursement in the situation when spouses are both officers. In this case, there will be one reimbursement for both.

Ray Easter suggested that the above be amended to reimburse the President 100% of fuel costs rather than the 50% originally proposed. After discussion there was a standing vote on this change. The results were 43 in favor and 34 against. The above was changed to reflect a 100% fuel cost reimbursement for the President. All other officers will receive the originally proposed 25% fuel reimbursement.

There was discussion to clarify the reimbursement policy for any officers receiving monies from FMCA. The result was that those officers would receive the 25% fuel reimbursement less any monies received from FMCA. Those officers would include the National Director, Alternate National Director, or the FCOC voting representative, if appointed, in the case neither the National Director nor the Alternate National Director are able to attend FMCA's Governing Board meeting.

There was discussion to clarify which officers are eligible for reimbursement. Officers eligible are the President, the Executive Vice-President, the Treasurer, the Membership Vice-President, the Newsletter Vice-President, the Web-Master Vice-President, the Secretary, and the National and Alternate National Directors.

There was clarification that, in no case, would the fuel reimbursements exceed the mileage reimbursement allowed by the IRS for non-profit organizations. The current IRS allowance is 44.5 cents per mile. It was stated that the Treasurer will be responsible for monitoring this amount.

President Ken asked for a motion to close the meeting. A motion was made and seconded. There was no further discussion. The motion carried and the meeting was closed at 2:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Priscilla Buck, FCOC Secretary