

## FREIGHTLINER CHASSIS OWNERS CLUB MEETING

AMANA, IA

AUGUST 15, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 am by President Ron Sliger. There were 67 members in attendance. President Sliger asked Bill Campbell to lead the Invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Doc Hutchinson.

Officers in attendance were President Ron Sliger, Senior Vice President/Wagon Master Steve Batorson, Secretary Barbara Knutson, National Director Roy Hopper, and Vice President Area Operations – West Katherine Henley.

President Sliger asked all Veterans, first timers in attendance and all FCOC Rally Masters and Assistant Rally Masters to stand for recognition

Bob Harbin, President of Freightliner Custom Chassis Corporation was not able to attend the Business Meeting due to a business conflict.

President Sliger made a general announcement asking members to turn off their cell phones and to please provide their name when making or seconding a motion.

The minutes from the March 21, 2011 FCOC Business Meeting held in Myrtle Beach, SC were approved as written.

Rick Kennedy, the Treasurer was not present. The Treasure Report was read by President Sliger. As of 6/30/2011 Total Cash and Bank Accounts were \$130,632.56. A motion was made by Bill Campbell to have future financial reports reported by line item, and seconded by Larry Steckley. The motion passed by a majority of members present.

Senior Vice President Batorson talked about needing volunteers to come forward to help with rallies. The same people have been doing the rallies for the last three years. Steve also talked about future rallies to be held in Arizona and Indiana. There will be more information on these rallies on our web site and in our newsletter at a later date.

Roy Hopper, National Director reported on the FMCA Governing Board Meeting that was held in Madison, Wisconsin on August 10, 2011. There were approximately 1,800 coaches at the FMCA Rally. Changes were made to the International family reunion staff reimbursements. An FMCA Campground Connection Program has been developed to recruit campgrounds that will offer FMCA members a discount. Election results of the National FMCA Election are: President: Charles Schrenkel, Sr. Vice President: Allen Rein, National Secretary: Vicky Ferrari and National Treasurer: Wil Young. The 2013 50th Anniversary will be held in Hutchinson, Kansas, dates unavailable at this time.

Mary Costigan, Vice President Membership was not present. President Sliger presented the report which indicated the total applicants processed from 8/25/2010 to 07/23/2011 was 1,377, or 920 Renewals and 457 New Members/New members not original owners. New Coach/Renewal totaled 20 and members who were Suspended and Renewed totaled 122. The club had 262 members signing up through PAYPAL.

Tom James, Vice President Business Development was not present. His report stated that Freightliner San Diego has been added to our list of Oasis Dealers who offer a member discount of 10% on parts and labor. Tom is working to get a national Auto Parts dealer to give our members a discount and is also in contact with an Insurance Company to advertise on our web site.

Katherine Henley, Vice President Operations-West is working on a rally to be held at the Dallas Texas Freightliner dealer in September. Katherine is also looking for volunteers to take on vacant Area Coordinators positions. Roy and Kathy Hopper, Area Coordinators for the Southeast Area are working on having a rally at the Super Show in Tampa Florida in January 2012.

Gerry DeHeer, Chairman of the Nominating Committee was not present. Senior Vice President Steve Batorson read the list of nominees: President – Ron Sliger, Secretary – Barbara Knutson, Vice President Membership Mary Costigan, Vice President Webmaster Rick Kennedy, Vice President Area Operations-West Katherine Henley and Alternate National Director Ernie Ward. There were no nominations from the floor. Bill Campbell made a motion to close nominations. It was seconded by Linda Steckley. Motion passed. A motion was made by Larry Steckley to have the Secretary cast one vote for the slate. The motion was seconded by Bill Campbell. Motion passed by 75% majority of members present.

We are looking for people to serve on the Nominating Committee. George Young, Carol Vehill and Barbara Knutson were added as members to the Committee by membership vote.

Joe Costigan, Chairman Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee was not present. Senior Vice President Steve Batorson stated that all proposed changes to the Club Bylaws had been published on our web site and published in the first quarter newsletter as required by our Bylaws. Senior Vice President Batorson asked for a motion to pass the proposed changes, but there was an objection from Linda Steckley regarding three articles in the Bylaws. A motion was made to pass all proposed changes with the exception of (1) ARTICLE III – Members, Item 7 ARREARS; (2) ARTICLE VI – OFFICERS, Item 2, TERM OF OFFICE, (3) ARTICLE VI – OFFICERS, Item 4 EXECUTIVE BOARD. The motion to pass all articles with the exception of those being discussed was made by Bill Knuth and seconded by Linda Steckley. The motion passed with 85% of those present voting to accept.

- Bylaws discussions items (1): ARTICLE III – Members, Item 7 ARREARS. The discussion involved the wording of “canceled/suspended.” After 90 days the membership is cancelled and the member is suspended. A motion was made by Linda Steckley and seconded by Bill Campbell that this Article is not needed. Motion passed to cancel the proposed change by 85% of those present. Discussion Item (2): ARTICLE VI – OFFICERS, Item 2, TERM OF OFFICE, paragraph 3. A motion was made by Linda Steckley and seconded by Bill Campbell the first sentence be accepted as proposed. Motion passed by 85% of those present. Discussion item (3): The proposed new paragraph 5 to ARTICLE VI – OFFICERS, Item 4 EXECUTIVE BOARD was modified to read “The Executive Board may conduct special meetings when called for by a majority of members of the Executive Board or the President. The time, location and specifics will be

provided in advance of the meeting to all members of the Executive Board, and may be conducted by telephone or video conference methods.” A motion was made by Linda Steckley and seconded by Bill Campbell that the sentence be accepted as modified. Motion passed by 85% of those present.

With proposed changes to the club Bylaws completed, Senior Vice President Steve Batorson stated that all proposed changes to the club Standing Rules had been published on our web site and published in the first quarter newsletter as required by our Bylaws. Senior Vice President Batorson asked for a motion to pass the proposed changes, however there were objections raised during discussion regarding multiple articles. A motion was made to pass all proposed changes with the exception of (1) FCOC SR ARTICLE IV – BUSINESS MEETINGS, and (2) new Item ‘H’ PARLIMENTARIAN to FCOC SR ARTICLE IX – SUPPORTING STAFF. The motion to pass all articles with the exception of those being discussed was made by Bill Knuth and seconded by Linda Steckley. The motion passed with 85% of those present voting to accept.

- Standing Rules discussions items (1): Linda Steckley objected to the deletion of the second sentence of FCOC SR ARTICLE IV – BUSINESS MEETINGS. Following discussion, the second sentence was not deleted but modified to read “At least one (1) business meeting will to be held during the fiscal year and that meeting will be held at the summer FMCA rally, and notice of meeting be put in the convention schedule.” A motion was made by Jeff Cousins and seconded by Linda Steckley to accept the proposed change. The Motion passed by 85% of those present. (2) Bill Campbell had an objection regarding subparagraph (4) of proposed Item ‘H’ PARLIMENTARIAN to FCOC SR ARTICLE IX – SUPPORTING STAFF MEMBERS. Following discussion subparagraph (4) was modified to read “The majority rules, however, the minority will be provided ten (10) minutes of discussion to be heard.” A motion was made by Bill Campbell and seconded by Larry Steckley to accept the modification to subparagraph (4). The Motion pPassed by 85% of those present.

There was no old business carried over from Myrtle Beach, SC meeting.

There was no new business.

The next meeting will be announced

A motion was made by Lois Knuth and seconded by Mary Anne Crowell to adjourn the meeting at 11:55am.

Respectfully submitted

Barbara Knutson  
Secretary