

March 20-24, 2017 Exec Board NWTFC Email Meeting

Executive Board members Present: Steve Webber-Plank (President), Paula Shull (Vice President), David Pierce (Secretary), Sue Bjornson (Treasurer), Al Zimmerman (FMCA National Director, Past President, and Newsletter Editor) Mike Ashbridge (Alt FMCA National Director).

Committee chairs: Mary Carlson (Webmaster), Helen Anderson (Rally Coordinator)

1. Report from Al Zimmerman on FMCA Changes with Motions for a vote of 5 separate items. Vote will direct Al's vote at the NWA, FMCA meeting this April. You are encouraged to discuss any or all with the group and direct questions to Al.
2. Member Care Position, revisited.
3. Approval of January Board Minutes.
4. New business
5. Reports from Board Member and Committee Members, Due by Wednesday, March 22.

Attachments Submitted:

Report from the National Director, Al Zimmerman
Proposed Member Care Job Description, Steve W-P, Mary Carlson & Al Zimmerman
New Member letter by Mary Carlson
Charlie Adcock's March 17 letter to FMCA Members(attached)

March 20-21 was used to discuss Al Zimmerman's FMCA report and vote on Motions 1 thru 5. During the discussion an additional Motion was added to be voted upon and it follows:

Motion 1

NWTFC executive board supports the proposal to modify the executive board membership to exclude members from the same family from

serving concurrently on the FMCA national executive board, as long as such action does not affect FMCA areas or chapters.

Motion 2

NWTFC executive board does not support modifying the membership requirements beyond the statement of the current membership definition.

Motion 3

NWTFC executive board supports modifying the articles of incorporation to delete all references to family motor coach owners and substitute recreational vehicle owners (including any other proposed word substitutions).

Motion 4

NWTFC executive board supports amending the FMCA constitution and bylaws to reflect the change to opening the organization to all recreational vehicle owners. However, it is felt the retention of the FMCA name is not conducive to this new direction.

Motion 5

NWTFC executive board recommends a motion to amend Proposal #3 (Amendment of Constitution and Bylaws) as proposed by the FMCA leadership to adopt the name "Family Recreation Vehicle Owner's Association" or some other more inclusive name that a task force designated for that purpose may suggest.

Motion 1A) National director is requested to prepare a brief discussion or abstract addressed to members of NWTFC explaining the board's actions on the matters

related to the FMCA proposals. Further, that members are encouraged to submit comments or input on these matters to the national director by April 5 so those comments can be submitted during the discussion at the FMCA NW Area Planning Meeting. Members are also to be reminded that they will vote on most of these matters at some point following the meeting of the Governing Board at the Indianapolis convention.

Vote on the five motions plus the added 1A motion was a unanimous Board vote for yes.

The final part of the meeting covered Items 2 – 5 or the Member Care Position, January Board Minutes, New Business and Committee Reports.

2. Member Care Position

NWTFC JOB DESCRIPTION Job Title: Member Care Unit

Reports to: NWTFC President Approval Date: March __, 2017

Summary One or more members appointed by the president to increase chapter efforts to

integrate new members into NWTFC activities, share care and concern for current members, encourage membership retention, and reach out to non-renewing members. The means and manner of fulfilling the unit's responsibilities are up to the unit's members. Participants in the Member Care Unit are not members of the executive board. The Coordinator also reaches out to existing members we have not heard from in a while.

Duties 1. Integrate new members into the NW Trek Fun Club and its activities.

- a. Coordinate contacts with new members with existing introductory steps being taken by the secretary,

webmaster, and treasurer.

- b. Extend a personal welcome to new members and extend an invitation to attend club rallies.
 - c. Obtain a list of those attending each rally and when new members attend a rally, make sure they are introduced and welcomed by those present.
 - d. Provide an orientation, as needed, to club procedures, background, and activities, including the meaning of NWTFC as a chapter of FMCA. When possible, hold an orientation meeting at the rally for new members.
 - e. Encourage new members to become involved in the workings of the chapter.
 - f. Consider other ways new members can be made to feel welcome whether they attend rallies or not.
2. Share care and concern for current NWTFC members.
- a. See that NWTFC members are involved and feel they are an integral part of the club.
 - b. If it is noted that members are not attending rallies, contact them to encourage their participation.
 - c. If members of the care unit become aware of members who are ill, have surgery, or have experienced a loss; express the concern of the chapter in whatever means is appropriate (phone, card, flowers, etc.).
3. Increase member retention efforts by reaching out to non-renewing members.

- a. As the care unit members gain knowledge of members who are not active in the club or who are considering not renewing their membership, reach out to those members on behalf of the club.
- b. Contact those who have not renewed their membership, and encourage them to renew their membership.
- c. If members have chosen not to renew their membership, seek to discover the reasons for their non-renewal.
- d. During contact with new and/or existing members, forward any changes in contact information to secretary, treasurer and webmaster.
- e. Call or email new members in November of each year to thank them for being members.

4. Provide a periodic report (verbal or written) to the president of the unit's activities on behalf of the club.

5. Provide an annual summary of the unit's activities on behalf of the club.

3. Approval of the revised January Board Minutes(attached).

4. New Business

None

5. Reports from Board Member and Committee Members, Due

by Wednesday, March 22.

Membership Report Submitted by David Pierce/Secretary

Currently we have 78 coach members with 5 unpaid. I have tried to communicate with the five but no luck so depending will be dropped the end of March. We have two coaches that have applied for membership, waiting for dues from both and an FMCA membership from one.

Rally Report as shown in the March Newsletter

RALLY SCHEDULE

(To be Wagon Master for a rally, contact Helen Anderson, Rally Coordinator, at helen-anderson@comcast.net)

2017

June 17 – 20 Pre-rally, Kelso, WA Al & Virginia Zimmerman

Mike & Lynn Ashbridge

June 22 – 25 FMCA NW Area Rally Cowlitz Cty Fair, Kelso

August 22 – 25 7 Feathers RV Canyonville, Oregon

Irva & Gary Cooper Helen and Ken Anderson

September 22 – 24 Great Prosser Balloon Rally

Ed & Jeanette Block Rodger & Colleen Wright

Other Rallies

July 12 – 15 FMCA 96th Convention Indianapolis, IN

The Board voting for 2,3,4,and 5 was yes for the entire Board although item 4 was dropped as there was no new business. Most importantly the Member Care Position was generally viewed as immediately necessary.