

Buckhorn Lake Ranch  
Kerrville Texas  
May 19, 2015

The annual meeting was called to order at 9:15 am by ECOA President Pat Bauer. A membership quorum was present. D. Ladwig moved to accept quorum which was seconded by D. French.

The minutes were previously distributed via email and rally packet. A call for corrections and or additions was made. Hearing none the minutes were approved by voice vote. The treasurer's report was shared. A call for corrections and or additions was made. Hearing none the minutes were approved by voice vote.

A member asked how the club will use the reserves within the treasury. The president asked that this be revisited during the new business portion the meeting.

The president announced the current membership of the club stands at 300 plus coaches.

### **Old Business**

Previous rallies and gatherings were listed for membership information.

-FMCA Fall Meeting, Redmond Oregon, hosted by Pat and Medarda Bauer, 15 coaches

-Beth Page Resort Rally, Urbana Virginia, hosted by Pat and Medarda Bauer, co hosted by Steve and Mary Hall, 33 coaches

-Tampa Supershow, hosted by Pat and Medarda Bauer, 24 coaches

-Lazy Days Rally, Tampa Florida, hosted by Mario and Ann LaCute

-Good Sam Rally, Phoenix Arizona, hosted by Stew and Diane Stewart, 25 coaches

-Buckhorn Lake Ranch Rally, Kerrville Texas, hosted by Pat and Medarda Bauer, 56 coaches

### **New Business**

Special thanks to the dealers who continue to be supportive of our organization.

NIRVC a major sponsor and contributor of this rally providing service techs, washing services, driving school for ladies, food for an evening activity as well as door prizes.

Lazy Days of Tampa who provided meals and seminars for our February Rally.

Beaver Coach Sales, Lazy Days, MHSRV, NIRVC, RV 1, for providing first year club membership to new coach owners,

## **Recognition of Charter Chapter Officers**

David Ladwig  
Corey Solender  
Stephen Hall  
Mario LaCute  
Medarda Bauer  
Pat Bauer

## **Election of new officers who will serve a two year term**

Thanks to the nominating committee who worked for the past several months cajoling and speaking to many members about assuming a leadership role.

Anna Shetler  
Raymond Wenig  
Dale Weslowski

## **Announcement of Slate of Officers for the 9/15 to 8/17 Biennium**

President	Wm Patrick Bauer
V. President Northeast	Stephan Hall
V. President Southeast	Tom Crowley
V. President Midwest	Linda Lou Hanson
v. President West	Raymond Wenig
Secretary	Medarda Bauer
Treasurer	Mario LaCute
National Director	Doug French
Asst. National Director	Wm. Patrick Bauer
Alternate Asst. National Director	David Ladwig

The president opened the floor for nominations and discussion. Dave Ladwig stated he would serve as an alternate to the Asst. National Director. The Alternate Asst. National Director would vote on behalf of the club at the National FMCA Conventions if the the current National Director or Asst. National Director cannot attend. This was accepted as an addendum to the nominations. A voice vote was called for. The slate as written above was unanimously approved.

## **Upcoming Rallies and Gatherings**

Through the Green Door, Egg Harbor Wisconsin, hosted by Tom and Lynn Crowley  
FMCA International, Madison Wisconsin, hosted by Pat and Medarda Bauer  
Hilton Head Motor Coach Resort, Hilton Head SC, hosted by Pat and Medarda Bauer  
Tampa Super Show, January 2016, hosted by Pat and Medarda Bauer

## **Use of PayPal**

The use of Paypal to collect funds for the Buckhorn and Egg Harbor rallies has been expensive, There was a cost of \$22. plus for each PayPal transaction. Discussion followed with ideas being shared from the membership:

- have direct payment from member's checking to ECOA's checking (electronic check)
- consider credit card payment directly to ECOA

A motion to direct the new Treasurer to explore payment options other than PayPal was made. Once evaluated a report will be made to the Executive Committee who will make a final determination. Discussion continued followed by a voice vote. The motion was unanimously passed.

## **Discussion items**

The president sought ideas to encourage members to host a rally or be a wagon master for a club event. A description of each activity was shared with the membership given an opportunity to ask questions or share ideas. Some suggestions included:

- develop a mentor program so members could cohost a rally or gathering
- develop a simpler rally format
- need means to ask members where they would like to rally
- regional VPs should attempt to find a rally location within their area and a willing host

The President provided the following definitions for clarity:

**GATHERING**: a caravan group that connects with a rally that has been planned by some other agency, i.e., the Tampa Supershow, FMCA International, or a Good Sam/Camping World Rally. The leader of this group would be titled Wagon Master.

**RALLY** : an ECOA Club Event planned and executed by a club member (includes the event planning and logistics, camping, catering, and activity planning for the event, financial responsibility and accounting). The leader of this group would be titled Rally Master.

The question of how to use the club's reserve funds was revisited with a member suggesting the rally fees of the Rally Host or the Wagon Master be covered. Discussion followed with agreement that a Rally Master or Wagon Master receive compensation possibly in the form of having the club foot the bill for the leader, but was no consensus about the appropriate amount.

D. Stewart made a motion regarding fees and amended to the following: Give the Executive Board the authority to determine the rally stipend for members wishing to host a rally or plan a gathering. Discussion followed with a call for the vote which was unanimously passed.

Questions about the use and ease of the ECOA website began, Members should contact Dave or Beth Ladwig with problems and questions. The president reminded membership of correct web address: [www.entegraowners.com](http://www.entegraowners.com).

Having no additional discussion or thoughts for the good of the order the meeting concluded at 10:35am.