

A Semi-Annual Membership Meeting of the Penn Coachmen Chapter of FMCA was held on Saturday, May 28, 2011, at Centre Hall, Pennsylvania, with the following officers in attendance:

Bob Moss, President
Barbara Arcati, Secretary
Bill Freed, Treasurer

Jim Lexa, Area Vice-President
Jim Lowthert, Area Vice-President
Larry Troutman, Area Vice-President

President Bob Moss called the meeting to order at 10 AM and requested an invocation and asked that everyone remain silent for a few moments to remember our service men and women who are still fighting for our freedom.

INVOCATION

Hal Amos offered the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Bob Moss asked everyone to stand and Pledge Allegiance to the Flag.

QUORUM CERTIFICATION

Bob Moss certified that there were more than 15 family units represented at the meeting, thus a quorum was achieved.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Approval of minutes of Semi-Annual Meeting of September, 2010

The minutes of the Semi-Annual Meeting in September 2010 were posted in the October 2010 newsletter and copies are posted on the bulletin board. It was motioned and seconded to approve those minutes without reading.

VOTE ON MOTION ALL YES MOTION CARRIED

Treasurer's Report

Bill Freed reported the following information:

- Cash balance of \$4761.00 before expenses for the Centre Hall Rally are deducted.
- An audit was completed at Schnecksville by Jim Lowthert, Chuck Finn, and Larry Troutman and the books were found in order.
- The cash balance of \$4761 includes \$1900 in funds in advance of this and future rallies and prior to the deduction of expenses. There is a moving balance of \$2861 in the treasury.
- Goal of treasurer is to bring the treasury up to \$5000 as recommended by the auditors.

It was motioned and seconded to approve the treasurer's report.

VOTE ON MOTION ALL YES MOTION CARRIED

President Bob Moss stated that one possible way to increase the amount in the treasury is to conduct 50/50 raffles. He reported that of the Rallies held in 2010, not one resulted in a loss. In 2009 seven out of eight rallies incurred a loss. The 40th anniversary rally incurred a loss of \$8000 to the treasury. The coaches attending were subsidized \$100 each.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Report of the Penn Coachmen Webmaster:

Hal Amos reported on the Penn Coachmen web site.

- The site indicates at the bottom how many “hits” or how many times people have accessed it with the most recent number at 11,000.
- The website has a description of the Penn Coachmen chapter and rally information.
- The website is kept up to date through communication with the rally masters.
- If a member registers to attend a rally he can use the website. Fill out the registration form; print the page to send in with your check; and click submits. When submit is clicked the rally master is notified that you have registered and your check will be coming in the mail.
- Please notify Hal Amos of any changes/errors/comments on the website.

Bob Moss commended Hal on an excellent web site and said we have the best web page of all the chapters in FMCA.

NATIONAL DIRECTOR’S REPORT

John Breisch submitted a report that was read by Bob Moss. Copy enclosed with these minutes.

- Brad Koshland is the new Executive Director as of 1/3/11.
- Charlie Schrenkel resigned as President of FMCA in November, 2010. Judy Czarsty, Sr. VP assumed the duties of President.
- FMCA continues to experience financial problems; a major issue is the declining membership.
- FMC Assist is the new medical evacuation program as of 1/1/2011.
- The Dozen Does It program is continuing during 2011.
- Each chapter received 5 free FMCA memberships.
- John Breisch will be attending the Governing Board meeting in Madison, WI, in August.

Report of the Sunshine Lady

- Mary Amos sent out 7 get well cards since the last meeting.
- She requested if anyone is aware of a member who is ill to let her know.

Report of the Membership Chairperson

Nancy Breisch reported as follows:

- Membership as of 9/11/2010 was 198 members and 2 honorary members.
- Membership as of 5/11/2011 is 194 members and 1 honorary member.

- 43 letters and 108 email invitations were sent to new FMCA members
- Plan to do a targeted recruitment to non-chapter FMCA members in future.
- Keep your contact information current with Nancy Breisch.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Bob Moss reported the following:

- He is very happy with the response to the Rallies
- Very happy with the newsletter by Louise Birett
- Pleased with the FMCA dozen does it program
- Very happy with the response to the food drive at the GEAR rally last year
- Pleased with the attendance of Penn Coachmen at the GEAR rally last year
- Pleased with the involvement of new members in Penn Coachmen
- Pleased with the response of everyone who volunteers at rallies

Old Business

Bob Moss would like to know if we want to continue to leave a “footprint” of Penn Coachmen at each of the areas when we hold a rally. We did hold a food drive at Bloomsburg August 2010. Leave it up to the rally masters.

New Business

- Regarding membership recruitment: Bill Freed asked if we are able to obtain a mailing list of motorhome owners in Pennsylvania. Diane Freed asked if we have literature to bring to our dealers with information on Penn Coachmen.
- Nominating Committee. Fred Thum nominated Ron Lee; seconded by Jim Lexa. Andria Lee nominated Dan Zydorczyk; seconded by Larry Troutman. Norma Moss nominated Barbara Thum; seconded by Jay Shuman.

VOTE ON NOMINATIONS ALL YES NOMINATIONS APPROVED

- The convention this summer is in Madison, Wisconsin, Aug. 10 to 13. If interested in attending may get together as a group. Hal to send out an email to check on interest with the response to go to Bob Moss.
- Need rally masters for 2012
- Barbara Thum reminded everyone to bring chairs for entertainment this evening.
- Tickets were distributed to each coach for drawing for door prizes from the dozen does it program. The winners were Ruth Morrell and John Reynolds.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Arcati, Secretary

