

**Northwest Motor Home Area Association – FMCA**  
**Annual Business Meeting Minutes**  
**Linn County Fair & Expo Center - Albany, Oregon**  
**June 7, 2009**

*The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m. President Judy Keppler presiding and Kathie Balogh, Secretary, were both present. Executive Board Members Arvin Spofford, Bud Fouts, Frank Ward, and Gwen Wright were in attendance. The meeting began with an invocation by Judy Keppler.*

*The roll call was taken and chapter delegates identified for voting purposes. Voting delegates were asked to sit in an assigned area. A quorum was established.*

*The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was waived as the minutes were previously distributed to Executive Board Members and Chapter officers. The minutes were accepted for file.*

*Gwen Wright, Treasurer, reported the balance on hand as of today's date is \$83,087.59. Gwen will have an updated financial report on rally income/expenses prior to the September business and planning meeting. The report was accepted and will be filed with the meeting minutes.*

***Unfinished Business:***

*There was none.*

***New Business:***

***Nominating Committee Report***

*Beth Harrington, Chair of the Nominating Committee, presented a slate of candidates.  
Arvin Spofford for Senior Vice President  
Bud Fouts for Vice President (3<sup>rd</sup> Position)  
Kathie Balogh for Secretary  
Beth Harrington and Les Ferguson for Nominating Committee*

*Judy Keppler thanked the Nominating Committee for their time and effort.*

***Election of Executive Board Officers and Nominating Committee***

*President Judy Keppler explained the voting process.*

*There is one candidate for the office of Senior Vice President, Arvin Spofford. Hearing no nominations from the floor after the third call, Barbara Harkness, President, KM International Chapter, moved to close the nominations and elect Arvin Spofford by acclamation. The motion was seconded and **carried**. Arvin Spofford gave a brief explanation of his qualifications and his desire to continue in the position of Senior Vice President.*

*There is one candidate for Vice President (3<sup>rd</sup> Position), Bud Fouts. Hearing no nominations from the floor after the third call, Barbara Harkness, President, KM International Chapter, moved to close the nominations and elect Bud Fouts by acclamation. The motion was seconded and **carried**. Bud Fouts gave a brief explanation of his qualifications and his desire to continue in the position of Vice President.*

*There is one candidate for the office of Secretary, Kathie Balogh. Hearing no nominations from the floor after the third call, Ann Phillips, Delegate, Bernie & Red Chapter, moved to close the nominations and elect Kathie Balogh by acclamation. The motion was seconded and **carried**. Kathie Balogh gave a brief explanation of her qualifications and her desire to continue in the Secretary position.*

Candidates for the Nominating Committee were announced as:

Les Ferguson  
Beth Harrington

Judy Keppler asked if there were any nominations from the floor. Russ Pease nominated Bill Leahy. Andy Balogh nominated Jim Phillips.

Due to the absence of Bill Leahy, discussion ensued on whether clear acceptance of the nomination of Bill Leahy to serve was obtained as per the NWMHAA Bylaws. Jim Phillips accepted the nomination from the floor. After additional discussion, the Chair ruled there was not clear acceptance from Bill Leahy for him to be nominated.

Frank Ward moved to close the nominations from the floor, it was seconded. **Motion carried.**

Hearing no further nominations from the floor after the third call, the Nominations Committee positions were declared closed. Jim deBord moved to elect all 3 candidates by acclamation. The motion was seconded and **carried.**

The newly elected nominating committee was announced as Les Ferguson, Beth Harrington and Jim Phillips.

Newly elected officers were given the Oath of Office by President Judy Keppler.

#### Discussion on Budget and Governing Board

Proposed dues increase, dual membership in Chapters, membership decline and recruitment of new members were discussed. The fact that Medex is not included in the Budget to be presented to the Governing Board in Bowling Green was discussed. Members questioned alternative plans and Jim Phillips advised that Dan Brown, who worked in insurance field as his work career, is looking into other options and will contact Judy Keppler with insurance options to take to the FMCA Executive Board for consideration.

#### **Announcements:**

##### Chapter Anniversaries

March	Puget Sounders	25 years
May	Rim Rock Roamers	10 years
	Pacers Northwest	20 years
June	Big Sky FMCA	20 years
August	NW Trek Fun Club	5 years
September	Thomoka Wheelers	5 years
	Oregon River Ramblers	10 years
October	Alberta Wild Rose	10 years
	Olympic Snowbirds	25 years
November	Country Coach Int'l	25 years

##### Member Benefits Wallet Size Card

Judy Keppler showed the new wallet size Member Benefits card and thanked Bill Gilmer for his idea. The cards will be available in Bowling Green, OH.

##### Northwest Area Delegates for the FMCA Convention in Bowling Green, Ohio

As of this date, there are 37 Northwest Area chapter delegates attending the Governing Board meeting at the convention in Bowling Green, Ohio. Chapter presidents are urged to contact Judy Keppler or Kathie Balogh if they need a temporary delegate. The requirement is to have the temporary delegate elected by the chapter. A Temporary Delegate is also required to join the chapter they represent. This information is required and has a deadline to be sent to FMCA by June 29 in order for the chapter to have representation at the Governing Board meeting.

The business/planning meeting is set for September 1-4, 2009 in Lacey, WA. Executive Board Members arrive on the 1<sup>st</sup>, and Chapter delegates arrive on the 2<sup>nd</sup>. Departure is on September 4th.

*Judy Keppler asked all members to be thinking about Redmond 2010. A Volunteer Coordinator is needed and anyone interested should contact Judy Keppler via email before July 31, 2009. Captains are needed in all areas. We want Redmond 2010 to be the best convention ever. Judy has a list of proposed names for Redmond 2010. The theme and suggested name will be decided after the national officer's election and the new president is installed into office.*

*There was no further business. The meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.*

*Kathie Balogh, Secretary*

#### *RALLY WRAP UP MEETING*

*The rally wrap up meeting convened conducted by Andy Balogh, Rally Master.*

*Each committee captain was instructed to write up their comments and send them to Andy Balogh. All Purple books that have not been returned, should be brought to the September meeting.*

*Andy Balogh, Rally Master and Arvin Spofford, Assistant Rally Master thanked the captains and presented each of them with a "West is Best" coffee mugs and Certificate of Appreciation*

*Additional Income to the rally:*

*50/50, Ann Phillips - \$3400.00*

***T shirts and badges**, Barb Harkness - \$569.00*

***Red Hat**, Linda DeBord - \$259.00*

*A full report will be given at the September meeting in Lacey, WA.*