

FMCA CHAPTER: HABITAT FOR HUMANITY®  
MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES  
MARCH 22, 2007 PERRY, GA.

Meeting came to order 3:02 P.M. – Bill McLaughlin, President presiding.

PRESENT; President, Bill McLaughlin; VP- Build Coordinator, John Lee; VP- Membership, Doug Key; Secretary/Treasurer, Deann Harrington; National Director, Fred O'Donnell; Alternate National Director, Marilyn McBain  
ABSENT: VP-Communications, Marion Braum; Immediate Past President, Linda Walden

Welcome by Bill and Happy Birthday to Fred O'Donnell  
Pledge of Allegiance  
Invocation by Floyd Hager  
Introduction of officers

SECRETARY REPORT:

Motion made by Deann Harrington to dispense with reading of minutes, seconded and passed. Minutes of the Charlotte meeting were approved as printed in newsletter.

TREASURER REPORT: Wells Fargo Account \$ 10,956.53 Americus (GV2601) account balance \$21,241.14 as of 2/28/07. Membership told of Exec Board vote to move \$5,000.00 from Wells Fargo account to the GV2601 account at Americus.

Treasurer was asked to research if money guidelines for spending the GV2601 monies are in our standing rules. A member asked for a history of how the monies in Americus account has been spent. Deann spoke of the Great Bend, KS; Bethel, OH; Dowagiac, MI; and Lenoir, NC houses built & funded by our chapter & FMCA.

AUDIT REPORT: Carol Lee read the audit statement prepared by Bill Ferguson and she, after they completed a review of our chapter books during this convention. Wells Fargo account balance confirmed at \$10,956.53.

VP-BUILD REPORT: Leaders in place for Battlecreek, MI, John & Carol Lee; Bend, OR, Lynn Laymon and Linda Walden. Good builds in Dade City and Ocala, FL this winter.

Team leader workshop had two couples and two singles participate at this convention.

VP- MEMBERSHIP– Thanks for booth staffing. We accepted 17 new members and 1 reinstatement during this convention. Booth is getting the HFH message across.

NATIONAL DIRECTOR: Fred O'Donnell encouraged personal recruitment for all members to bring in new and younger members. Our chapter has a purpose that appeals

to many retired folks. Talk it up to everyone you meet. FMCA as a whole is hurting for new members. We can all play a part in its increase. Bill told about the Wednesday visit by Jwana Washington & Ginger from the RV Care-A-Vanner desk to our FMCA convention.

Members were advised of nominating committee, Lynn Harrington, LaVerne Cabell, and David Lewis, and asked to contact one of them if they wish to run for an office. Next election is at Pomona convention, March 2008.

Visitors introduced: Connie Pool, Sr. Vice President –FMCA, Jay Blumenthal, Pres. INTO area, Fred O'Donnell, Sec. INTO area, Joann Durbin, candidate for National Secretary of FMCA. She spoke to members about her qualifications for office.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Bill reported that the sign-up procedure will remain as currently done. The motion made and tabled at Charlotte meeting has been withdrawn by the maker Corbett Pool

BY-LAW changes – **ADD**: to ARTICLE VI- OFFICERS

**5. VACANCIES:**

- A. A vacancy will be declared to exist in the case of death, resignation, or inability of any officer to serve, or any Officer ceases to meet the membership requirements as stated in ARTICLE III.
- B. In the case of a vacancy in any office other than the President, the President will appoint a person to fulfill the duties temporarily until the nominating committee can nominate and hold election to fill the office.
- C. In case of vacancy in the office of the President, FMCA Bylaws will apply and our 1<sup>st</sup> VP-Build Coordinator will become president.
- D. A person elected to serve the unexpired term of an office, will be considered to have served a complete term if the period served is more than one-half (1/2) of the regular term.

CHANGE:

3. CHAPTER MEETINGS

- C. **BI-ANNUAL ELECTIONS:** Every two years one of the business meetings must be an Annual Meeting at which the voting general membership is to elect Chapter Officers, including .....

A motion was made by Carl Greenbaum, seconded and passed to make this addition and change (printed in red). They will now be sent to FMCA Bylaws committee for their approval.

STANDING RULES:

CHANGE: Rule #1 - Delete the last sentence which reads, "Elections shall be held at the annual meeting." *This matter is covered in the Bylaws and no longer required in the Standing Rules.*

ADDITION:

Rule #8 AMENDING PROCEDURE: The Chapter Standing Rules may be amended by a majority affirmative vote of the members present and voting at a duly called meeting, providing that prior notice of at least thirty (30) days has been given of the rule (s) to be added or amended.

Any member of the chapter may propose amendments to the Standing Rules.

Approved amendments to the Standing Rules become effective immediately upon their adoption, or at such time as specified in the amendment.

A motion was made by John Lee to approve this change and addition (printed in red) to our standing rules. It was seconded and passed.

Volunteer for the next audit of chapter treasurer's records was Bob Mills.

New members and new team leaders were introduced.

Connie Pool made a motion to close the meeting at 3:50 p.m., seconded and passed.

Submitted by Secretary, Deann W. Harrington