

RED RIVER ROVERS

MARCH 2023 BUSINESS MEETING

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Ben DePuew, Donya Poole, RL Downs, Andrea Downs, Pat Duvall, Kathy Duvall, Nickie Gardner, Raymon Gardner, Randy Lane, Terri Lane, Gordon Moore, Peggy Moore, Jerry Nelson, Shirley Nelson, Gene Pyeatt, Marsha Pyeatt, Linda Underwood, Mike Underwood, Sandy Woodling, Tom Woodling

4:35 pm: Randy Lane, President called the meeting to order. A quorum was present since all members at the Rally were in attendance.

Mike Underwood made a motion to suspend the reading of the previous Business Meeting Minutes which was seconded by Raymon Gardner and all members agreed.

Randy Lane requested a Financial Audit Committee Report from Kathy Duvall and Marsha Pyeatt. Marsha Pyeatt reported Rick Dennis, Treasurer, received an A+. There was a suggestion made for specific handling of gift cards in the future, but all financial transactions were accounted for to the penny. Ben DePuew made a motion to approve the Financial Audit Report which was seconded by Mike Underwood and all members agreed.

RL Downs made a motion to suspend the Treasurer's Report until the next Rally which was seconded by Linda Underwood and all members agreed.

Randy Lane requested a Rally Report from Nickie Gardner, Rally Master. Nickie Gardner indicated Rally Hosts were needed for the following Rallies:

May – 2 Hosts and 1 Craft Leader

June – 2 Hosts

September – 4 Hosts

October – 4 Hosts

Randy Lane requested a report on 2024 Rally Site Scheduling from Terri Lane, Wagon Master. Terri Lane informed the members that the following 2024 Rally Sites have been confirmed:

March 7-10 The Vineyards of Fredricksburg RV Park, Fredricksburg, Texas

April 10-14 Canton KOA Holiday, Canton, Texas

May 2-5 Pending

June 6-9 Durant/Choctaw Casino KOA, Durant, Oklahoma

September 12-15 Pending

September 18-21 FMCA Six State Rally, Shawnee, Oklahoma

October 10-13 Buckhorn Lake Resort, Kerrville, Texas

November 7-10 Dinosaur Valley RV Park, Glen Rose, Texas

December 7 Christmas Luncheon

Terri Lane requested if anyone had suggestions on RV Parks for May or September to contact her. She reminded everyone it was very difficult to schedule rallies when our attendance numbers kept dropping. Some RV Parks require a certain number of RVs to get free use of the Rally Room. Many are requiring 30 or 60 day prior booking requirements and our members need to honor their deadlines.

Randy Lane encouraged everyone to help the Officers in planning the Chapter's future and recruiting new members.

Randy Lane announced the 2023 Nominating Committee: Mike Underwood, Chair; Dee Holloway and Tom Woodling. He thanked them in advance for their hard work to elect new Officers.

The President announced a call for New Business. A discussion ensued on the current size of the Red River Rover Chapter. The President explained FMCA required a set number of RVs to remain a Chapter. Andrea Downs asked if RRR dropped below the required number of RVs would we merge with another chapter. The President replied if membership dropped below the required number, he thought FMCA would disband our membership, but that would need to be clarified. Each member could then choose to join a different chapter.

Marsha Pyeatt asked if RRR sent information to new FMCA members. The President informed her that Keith Grasso, Membership Chairman, did send Chapter information to new FMCA members.

Randy Lane continued a discussion about Chapter planning and growth and the discussion shifted specifically to Rallies.

Kathy Duvall suggested the membership be surveyed regarding rallies. The following questions were asked:

Do we need to reduce the number of rallies or make other changes?

If the number of rallies are reduced, which months would be eliminated?

How far should the Chapter travel for rallies?

Tom Woodling said he would be willing to coordinate arrangements if members would like to add on excursions from rally sites, such as Big Bend or Nashville.

Several members said the real negative to hosting rallies was too many bins to be transported that were not needed. It was suggested the number of bins be streamlined and duplicates eliminated.

Another suggestion was for everyone to bring their own coffee or drinks to meals to reduce coffee, tea and lemonade wasted.

Another suggestion was catering all meals and adjusting the rally fee accordingly.

Another suggestion was dining together, but everyone would bring their own food.

Randy Lane closed the discussion by saying a future survey would be sent to all members. He cautioned the group that it would be hard to reach a consensus with the large number of varying opinions, but everyone would be able to submit input.

5:19 pm RL Downs made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Sandy Woodling and all members agreed.