# EAMA Zoom Workshop August 27, 2024

# **Attendance**

Ed Herbert, Gary Lyons, Baynard Barton, George Wolfe, Jerry Clemmer, Matt Hoelzel, Theresa Locke, Lynn Nelson, Garnetta Mallory, Phyllis Britz, Marvin Ballard, Clarissa Sherrow, Angel Del Bosco, Dave Fowler, Chris Holtzman, Jim Giffin, Steve Tessier, Gary Bowman, Tim Keppler, Frank Bodkin, Hilton Hall, Sue Cipa Joseph Kromash Regets: Rusty Labarre and Bruce Taylor, Glenn Himes

# **FMCA Convention/Governing Board Meeting**

Dave Fowler gave the report that Phyllis had sent out regarding the Governing Board Meeting in Redmond and Jim Giffin gave a report on the budget items discussed.

- There were 15 delegates from the Eastern.
- It was voted 75 to 89 to raise the FMCA dues to \$100.00.
- The people wanted to keep FMCAssist. Chubb will expire at the end of September as the Insurance company for Assist and Arch Insurance will start October 1, 2024. There will be a significant price increase. (\$1.10 from.\$.67)
- It was also voted to keep the magazine as by-monthly publication.
- International rallies are scheduled for 2025. March-Perry GA and July-Gillette, WY
- It was mentioned that it will cost between \$500,000 and \$1,000,000 to have the convention at Perry, GA in March 2025.
- FMCA is having a hard time meeting their expenses.
- They voted on to change the title of the Area Vice Presidents to Area Presidents
- FMCA has no CEO in Cincinnati right now.
- There will be a special election in September for the Eastern Area President.

#### **Bylaws Update**

A few people said they did not see the updated bylaws. Sue said she would have FMCA send them out to the Board again. That will not happen until after the holiday. We will be voting on the changes at GEAR at Fletcher.

## **GEAR 2024**

Full hook ups are sold out as well as electric sites. Rutledge Campground nearby is also sold out. It was mentioned that the KOA in West & East Ashville might have some sites available. Also, Tom Johnson campground in Marion NC is not too far.

We currently have 18 vendors signed up. A honey wagon has been precured. The cost will be \$45.00/pump. We will have sign-ups at registration.

Entertainment is all set. We are still working on a sound system(s). Dave Fowler and Gary Cipa have been working on this.

EAMA Has Talent-Consider this an opportunity for some Chapter competition! This will be held Wednesday night.

Phyllis asked if anyone would be available to haul the EAMA trailer home after GEAR in Fletcher and store it until GEAR of 2025. Please let her know if you can help.

There are some details yet to be worked out, but it seems like it will all fall together!!

#### **GEAR 2025**

Dave has arranged for three hundred full hook-up sites at "Ocean Lakes Resort in Myrtle Beach, SC. People will call to make their own reservations.

#### **GEAR 2026**

Dave made a visit to Winston-Salem Fairground last week. They have 250 full hookup sites.

## **NOTES**

Thanks again to Dave for stepping up and leading our team & meeting last week. He did an excellent job, and we appreciate all the time he has given and continues to give us.

We REALLY appreciate everything that Phyllis has done for EAMA. She and Eric put in a lot of time, effort, and energy to keep our Area running smoothly. A big thank you to them both and we hope they can enjoy some "free time" soon!

#### Next Meeting

September 17, 2024, at 7:00 pm

Respectfully submitted. Sue Cipa EAMA Secretary