

MONACO INTERNATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

TUCSON, ARIZONA – MARCH 16, 2010

President Don Wyatt called the meeting to order at 10:30 AM March 16, 2010.

The following Board members were present: President Don Wyatt, 1st Vice President Jack Brewster, 2nd Vice President Jerry Jenkins, VP of Membership Kaye Martin, Secretary Peggy Rahkola, Treasurer Linda Schreiber, National Director Nancy Wolfe, Alternate National Director, Maxine Schremp, Regional Directors: Ron Davis and Phyllis Beebe (Region 1), Pat Quilla (Region 2), David Piper (Region 3), JeanAnn Miller and Wilt Greenwood (Region 4), Carol Williams (Region 5), and Director at Large Bob Larson, Parliamentarian Wilburn Ply. There were thirteen (13) Monaco International members present as guests.

Don introduced past president Gary Quilla, and Page Robertson, Monaco RV representative, as guests.

Peggy Rahkola requested approval of the minutes from the Board Meeting in Springfield, OH. **Jack Brewster moved to approve the July 14, 2009 Board meeting minutes. The motion was seconded and passed.**

President Don Wyatt reported on a successful rally in Springfield, in July 2009. Don also thanked the Board for a successful year.

1st Vice-President Jack Brewster invited everyone to attend the Salem, OR rally in August. The theme is “Back to the Fabulous 50s” and Dorothy and Bob Larson are the rally masters for the Salem rally.

2nd Vice-President Jerry Jenkins reported on locations for future rallies. The summer 2011 rally is currently scheduled to be in the Madison, Wisconsin area, and the March 2012 rally will be in Southern California.

VP of Membership Kaye Martin reported as of March 1, 2010, the membership of Monaco International was 3,143 coach members. The membership status of all attendees at the “Rendezvous in the Desert Rally” has been checked, and all are current with both FMCA and MI. Kaye reported the Regional Directors are doing an excellent job in contacting all new members monthly and correcting their data as necessary. There are 32 first timer coaches at the Tucson rally. Kaye reported we have picked up 23 “other Monaco brand” members.

Treasurer Linda Schreiber reported that as of December 31, 2009 total assets were \$453,227.96, outstanding liabilities were \$39,436.28 and the fund balance was \$413,791.68. Linda reported she had filed bankruptcy papers in November for money due from Monaco Coach. The amount is approximately \$3000. Linda also reported that since the Monaco bankruptcy, the club has to pick up the cost for badges and plaques for new members. The \$25 new member initiation fee voted for in Springfield covers about two-thirds of this cost. Linda is monitoring the MI accounts and shifting monies as necessary to ensure our funds are covered by FDIC on the banking side and SIPC on the brokerage side. Linda is also working on establishing a budget process for the club. She reported there needs to be better reporting on the Branson rally. The Rally comparison sheets have been updated through the Springfield rally. **Jack Brewster moved to accept the Treasurer’s report. Motion was seconded and passed.**

National Director Nancy Wolfe submitted her report to be filed. It will be read in its entirety at the General Meeting on March 18.

Don Wyatt introduced John Verretto, who is a past president, and current Rally Master. John said there are 250 coaches and 20 vendor coaches and he expects to break even.

Carol Williams gave a report on the Silver Celebration in Springfield, OH, July 14 – 17, 2009. There were 170 coaches in attendance, including 11 first timers, as well as 37 vendors, several suppliers and independent service techs. Report is on file with the Secretary.

David Piper reported on a successful “Balloon Fiesta Rally” in October 2009. There were 78 coaches in attendance and with guests 160 people. The weather was beautiful and there were great wind conditions which made for fantastic views of the balloons flying over the motor homes. The rally returned the \$10,000 advance to MI and an additional \$832. David and Kay are already working on the 2010 rally and look forward to another successful rally.

Jerry Jenkins reported on the efforts of the Email Committee in getting our email database updated. Nancy Wolfe and Maxine Schremp worked with Jerry on this project. The rejected emails were divided by region and sent to the Regional Directors to contact members with invalid email addresses. Of the 305 invalid email addresses, we obtained new information on 162. Ron Davis and Phyllis Beebe from Region 1 and JeanAnn Miller and Wilt Greenwood from Region 4 received a special thanks for obtaining information on 100% of the members in their region that were identified as having invalid emails.

Nancy Wolfe reported on the Communications/Networking Committee which was formed at the Springfield Rally and the work they have done since that rally. They have published two newsletters which have been sent to all members with current email addresses. To date we are only “snail mailing” 420 newsletters. Since snail mail is very expensive, members with email addresses are urged to provide those addresses to the club. A special thank you goes to Maxine Schremp for publishing the newsletter. The report is on file and will be read in its entirety at the General Business Meeting.

Several items on the Web site have been addressed to enhance the site and make it more efficient. Additional links to other web sites have been installed to enhance the use of the MI web site. **Nancy Wolfe moved we install links on our Web site, when requested, for only those products that are used in the manufacture of Monaco brand coaches. Motion was seconded and passed.**

Nancy Wolfe presented the Board with our 25 Year Anniversary Certificate received from FMCA in Bowling Green, Ohio, in July 2009, together with a check for \$100.

Linda Huber reported the Audit Committee reviewed the records of Monaco International for the year 2009, the MI Pre-Rally held in Springfield, OH, in July 2009, and the MI Balloon Fiesta Rally, held in October 2009. No items came to their attention that required further documentation than what the MI Treasurer and the Rally Treasurers furnished. In addition to Linda, Wilburn Ply and Terry Walters were members of the Audit Committee. Their complete reports are filed with the Chapter Secretary.

Additionally, the Audit Committee made recommendations regarding rally procedures in two areas – Vendor deposits and cash collection by Greeters. These recommendations will be reviewed by the incoming Executive Board.

Joe Monk, standing in for Ellen Brighton, reported on the work of the Nominating Committee. They are prepared for the elections on Thursday at the General Business Meeting.

Jack Brewster proposed we need banners for displaying at rallies and other events advertising our club and our web site. In addition to the banners, Jack proposed we order business cards with the web site logo, our South Dakota address, and an email contact for information for Officers and Directors to hand out to promote Monaco International. **Peggy Rahkola made a motion that we order the banners and business cards as proposed by Jack, up to \$500. Motion seconded and passed.**

Don Wyatt reported that Jim Hittle had contacted him regarding producing an MI directory as we had in the past. Jim has contacted Monaco and some other vendors for advertising to help defray the cost to the club. **Jerry Jenkins moved we spend up to \$5,000 to produce a printed membership directory. Motion was seconded and passed.**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30.

Respectfully Submitted,

Peggy Rahkola, Secretary

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