

yea, 1 abstention. (It also clearly defines that this appendix only applies to U.S. Units.)

- Motion 11: Deleted the **Full Timers Intra-club** since it has dissolved.
- Motion 12: Approved the “Unit Planning Guide & Merit Award” being added to the Blue Book under Appendix 15 and authorized the Committee Chairman to make minor changes or improvements (200 points +/-) to the program. Passed unanimously.
- Motion 13 and 14: Approved 3’ x 5’ flags for the Mississippi Unit and the Hudson-Mohawk New York Unit.
- Motion 15: Approved a 3’ x 5’ flag for the Vintage Airstream Club, and “For the Record”, authorized Intra-Club members to fly a 2’ x 3’ flag. (Many Vintage members fly the 2’ x 3’ US, Canada and state flags on Bambi’s versus the 3’ x 5’) Does that mean we can all fly a 2’ x 3’ flag? I would assume the answer is yes - - just don’t mix flag sizes.

I am writing this from the Parking Lot at the Sun City, AZ, Elks Club. The campground in the Phoenix area are trying to get rich (as is everyone else in the Phoenix area) on the Super Bowl. A campground we would go to is raising their rates from \$29.50 per day to \$69.99 per day, and another’s weekly rate from \$252 to \$400 plus. So we are dry at the Elks for \$7 a day. From here we’ll go to the HOBO Rally.

There is also some bad news I want to pass along with a request for HELP!

- The Oregon Unit is about to give up sponsorship of the Pendleton Roundup Rally for lack of anyone to assume responsibility to run it. They have run the rally for something like 35 years. What a shame! If you can spare the time and effort, contact Mike Rogers, Oregon Unit President.
- Also, the Idaho Board of Directors has decided to cancel the Sun Valley Swinging Jazz Festival Rally, again, for lack of leadership.

The Region Officers will render all the help we can to anyone who will step up and assume leadership. Both units would like Region to take over these rallies - - but “Region” consists of Sandy Jackson, Adolf Knopp and me. If we “took it over”, we would have to turn right back the Oregon and Idaho units for the workers.

**PAST PRESIDENT (or FIRST LADY)
REGION 10
WASHINGTON UNIT**

This motion was withdrawn. IBT members were asked to canvas their Past Region Presidents for their opinions. Personally, I would have voted FOR this motion. I will only be a member of the International Board for two years; I have been a proud member of my Unit for 22 years and intend to be a member of the Unit for many more years.

- Motion 6b & c: These were motions to add an insert in the badge for the International Teen Queen and International Past President (and First Lady). The added insert would contain the name of their Unit. These too were withdrawn.

- Motion 7: A motion was made to give the surcharge dues (\$15) of a Member at Large (MAL) to the Region in which a MAL resides. This money was to “allow for greater communication, both written and verbal, to get to know each Member at Large by the Region Officers.” I did not favor this motion. My belief is that the money would be better spent at the International Level - - consolidating the MAL retention effort at Int’l should give more bang for the buck than splitting up the effort between 12 regions. And - - shortage of money is not the problem, it’s more probably shortage of effort in Unit’s (and Region) convincing MAL’s that “they really oughta wanta join a unit.” The motion was withdrawn because it did not propose to change any document (Bylaw or Appendix) - - and it would have probably failed.

- Motion 8: A motion was made to fix the “FIRST MATE” issue as follows:
“ The Spouse of significant help mate of the (Unit, Region, International) President and Past (Unit, Region, International) President may use the title “first Lady” and “Past First Lady”, or “First Mate” and “Past First Mate”, or other elected/appointed official office title, as appropriate.
This passed unanimously. (Interestingly, I saw NO spouses who had changed their badges to read First (or Past First) Mate.)

- Motion 9: A motion was made to grant 700 numbers for Standing Committee Chairman and 800 numbers to National Caravan Leaders as recommended the Caravan Standing Committee Chairman if the individuals so desired. I moved to amend the motion to require Standing Committee Chairman to serve three years and National Caravan Leaders to have led five National Caravans. The amended motion passed 16 yea and 2 abstained.

- Motion 10: This is a very detailed change to Appendix 7, Page 1, WHO MUST FILE FORM 990 - - which will probably change again next year. A motion to amend was offered that would have simply recommended that Units and Regions consult their tax preparer or International for instruction on their particular situations. The amendment narrowly failed and the main motion then passed 17

Mid-Winter Meeting
of the
WBCCI International Board of Trustees

Howdy folks! Zelma and I are working our way home from the International Board of Trustees (IBT) Meeting held in Gonzales, Louisiana, January 14 through the 18th. Our plans take us to the Region 12 Hobo Rally in Blythe, CA - - and that's really all we have planned. How wonderful!!

The purpose of this letter is to tell you what transpired at the IBT. I'll do that by summarizing each motion, discussing a little of the debate and the results of the vote.

- Motion 1: A motion by me brought to allow for Absentee Voting for units who would not be represented at the Delegates Meeting. This motion originated in the Montana and Alberta/Saskatchewan Units and was ratified by all our Region 10 units -- so it could go directly to the Delegates Meeting (check you Blue Book on how to change the Constitution and Bylaws). The motion was declared Out of Order in that we are a "deliberative society", and as such, all who vote must be present during the discussion at which a vote is taken." We're a what?", said I. Well sure enough, read pages 1 and 2 of Robert's Rules, especially #10 on page 2. For that reason I withdrew the motion and don't intend take it to the Delegates meeting.
- Motion 2: A motion to authorize a unit to appoint a proxy to cast its ballots at the Delegates meeting. The proxy holder would have to be a dues-paying member of a unit within same region as the unit granting the proxy. This motion was also declared "Not in Order" for the same reasons as motion 1 and did not come to vote. My sensing was that it would have been rejected by the IBT if it had gone to vote. There is much mistrust of the Proxy process. The proxy issue may resurface.
- Motion 3 & 4 (revised): Adopted (17 - 1) a new process for voting for the two members of the Nominating Committee whereby the two candidates receiving the most votes (where there are more than one candidates) are elected to the Nominating Committee.
- Motion 5: Defeated (16 - 2) a motion to change the Nominating Committees task to read: ". . . . shall prepare a slate of officers which **will include all candidates deemed suitable for each office**" Well, define suitable. The overwhelming majority agrees that our current system works. No one supported this from the audience during the seminar either.
- Motion 6a: A motion to change the insert **INTERNATIONAL** in the badge for "PAST REGION PRESIDENT and SPOUSE" to show the members "**UNIT.**" It would also flip the layout so my badge would then read: (in another year)