

## January 18, 2022 OAC Board Meeting

Members Present: President Carol Dion, 1st V.P. Chris Wagner, 2nd V.P Janet Schober, Treasurer Stacey Rovinelli, Secretary Norma Massier, Director Michelle & Bryan Stewart, Director Buzz Blick, Director Brenda Leppo, Webmaster Bob Crummett, Newsletter Chair Rhonda Levine, Membership Chair John Dion

The Zoom meeting was called to order by Carol Dion. A quorum was present.

**President's Report:** Carol reported that Terri Warren and Kathy Geese are currently at IBT in Georgia. She distributed a proposed amendment to International policy related to Covid vaccinations as co written by Kathy and Eric McHenry. If the motion passes the OAC Board will need further discussion on the issue. Since the previous Board meeting the 2022 Rally Book was completed and distributed. She thanked Bob Crummett for getting it onto the website. Carol has been attending Region 10 Board meetings. She discussed the resignation of Amy D'Abbraccio as Rally Coordinator and noted that Terri Warren will be temporarily filling that position. Buzz Blick, our official cartographer was thanked for his map making skills in the production of the Rally Handbook. A robust discussion occurred surrounding the importance of volunteers for our club's activities. Board members were encouraged to assist in identifying potential candidates for board positions/hosts/committees at each rally they attend.

**Treasurer's Report:** Stacey reported that Bryan Stewart's name is now on the bank account. She noted that it cost \$395 to produce the rally notebook this year. This figure may be under reported as cost of printing and assembling book required a lot of work by volunteers. We currently have \$77,402 is the amount in all accounts. There is \$58,600 held in the PayPal account due to implementation of new anti-fraud laws. There is \$14,557 in our membership account. We borrowed \$10,000 from the membership account to cover credit card expenses that cover booked rallies. This money will be returned once the Pay Pal funds are released. Nothing is currently owed on our Visa account. Janet Schober asked if a different app (Square) would be more economical. Stacey thought possibly a 1/2% advantage which would be about \$25.

**Membership Report:** John Dion reported that we have 22 new members since the last report. The club also has 6 Lifetime members. The club has 46 affiliate members. The OAC membership is mainly from Oregon (323 trailers) but we also have 64 trailers from Washington, 20 from California and memberships from Iowa, Kansas, and Japan! He is trying to get an affiliate list from International re state of residence. There are approximately 323 trailers and approximately 550 members. Norma stated the number of members is important for Constitutional amendments and officer elections. John reminded the board that both owners are eligible to vote in elections whereas it used to be one trailer/one vote.

**Rally Coordinator Report:** As Terri is at IBT, Carol gave report on status of rallies. 16 of the 37 rallies are full. Please remind folks to not be discouraged when a rally they were hoping to attend is full....there are always cancellations and they should be encouraged to get their names on a wait list with the rally host. There were a few glitches in the registration process which have been resolved. Most people adhered to signing up at the appropriate time, i.e. rally hosts could sign up a day before the remainder of the membership. Carol thanked Bob Crummett, our webmaster, who was key in the registration process. There will be more rallies planned as our State Parks open for more dates. The Region 10 rally filled very quickly and Janet Schober reported that Kathy Geese is considering whether more sites should be added. Currently there are 80 sites available. Terri Warren held 3 or 4 Rally Host meetings recently via Zoom. These are seen as especially helpful to new hosts.

**Bylaws Committee:** Norma asked the board to approve an amendment to our Bylaws regarding Delegates to the Constitutional Delegates Meeting of the Wally Byam Caravan Club International to align with International's model. The proposed amendment had been sent to Board Members prior to today's meeting. The motion was approved and Norma will revise the Bylaws and send on to Tom Smithson, International Bylaws Chair for review before we post on the website. The board has the ability to approve Bylaws amendments. 10% of membership must approve any Constitution amendments. Norma asked the Board to be on the lookout for someone willing to take on the Chair role of this committee.

**Webmaster Report:** Bob reported that it was challenging to set up registration for 37 rallies this year, but with a few exceptions things went smoothly. There were 337 submissions during the first two days. He noted that International is working on a different payment system than PayPal and are hopeful that based on membership volume the cost may be decreased. We do not have a contract with PayPal.

**Social Media:** Stacey reported that there have been some Spam issues with Facebook and cautioned us to especially avoid offers of a t-shirt. If you click on the item...you will not get a t-shirt. It is a scam. Facebook changed their rules to allow it. This has appeared on our OAC Facebook page and many others.

**Newsletter:** Rhonda Levine was welcomed to Board as new Chair of Newsletter committee replacing Norma Massier who will continue to serve as part of committee. Rhonda reported that this is the third year the committee has been functioning and thanked all those on the committee (Kathy Geese, Florence Tramoni, the Massiers) for helping to inform and connect the membership. We will continue to feature ongoing articles from our President, Membership Chair and Rally Coordinator and hope to introduce new Board members as well. We will be asking all members who wish to participate to try to limit rally reports to 3 paragraphs and 3 photos as we have a full rally season ahead of us. We are interested in adding to the reporter pool. She ended by thanking the Board for helping to make this club the awesome thing it is.

#### **New Business:**

**Open Rally Coordinator/Volunteer Recruitment:** Carol would appreciate potential names for this position to be forwarded to her. Terri Warren will assume this role until June of this year when she assumes leadership responsibilities at International. The job description can be found in our bylaws and Terri and Amy may be available to assist in the transition. Board members discussed the importance of this role and wondered if it is fair to ask one person to assume all the responsibility. Would it be possible to split some of the tasks that the Rally Coordinator takes on. Chris Wagner discussed measures to get more volunteers not just for elected offices but also for rally hosts and committee members. Bob remembered that historically the first V.P. was the Rally Coordinator and just a few years ago the President assumed the role. Buzz Blick believed that clear expectations for officer/appointed positions need to be in place. This would avoid misunderstandings. Brenda Leppo commented that the role of Directors has historically been providing feedback to the Board regarding general membership feedback.

**Board Terms:** Carol discussed whether we should change our Constitution to state that newly elected officers begin their term at the year end rally when they are usually installed. Norma reminded the Board this will require a Constitutional amendment and at least 10% of members to vote. Membership asked what was the benefit to amending our constitution. Carol stated that she began assuming the responsibility for the office immediately. The Board did not vote on this issue.

**Announcements:** The next board meeting will be April 19th, via Zoom, 4 p.m.  
Respectfully submitted. Norma Massier, OAC Secretary

