

Minutes of July 30, 2016 FTR General Membership Meeting

Ocean Center, Daytona Beach, Florida

Meeting called to order at 10:15AM by President Randy Faul

Roll call conducted – 32 current members present. The President noted that a quorum was present.

Reports of Officers

The President noted that it was his intent to keep the meeting short and to the point so that members could move on to enjoy the Awards Expo in the Ocean Center.

The President recognized the outstanding effort provided by Ellen Fleming and all members of the Banquet Committee. The President asked the membership to help out at the Awards Expo, and to get more involved in the operation of FTR in 2016-2017. Lisa Nordle volunteered to be the Banquet Committee Chairperson for 2017, and she will need a full committee of volunteers to plan and execute the year-end awards program.

The President reported that FTR continues to have problems with some of the content appearing on the FTR Forum and the FTR Facebook page. This content presents a negative image of FTR among FTR members, the off-road public, the off-road power sports industry, and the general public. It also places an unreasonable burden on the FTR volunteers who act as forum moderators/administrators. All FTR members are urged to assist in correcting this problem. If FTR members continue to post inappropriate content, the Executive Committee will take action to limit access to, or shut down, these sites.

The Treasurer announced he had copies of the latest financial report that could be viewed by any FTR members present at the meeting.

In the interest of conducting a short meeting, no other officer reports were presented.

Old Business

Motion made and seconded to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2015 General Membership meeting. Passed by unanimous vote.

New Business

Motion made and seconded to approve the following changes previously approved on second reading by the Board of Directors:

Technical inspection requirements for hare scrambles*

One-day membership for hare scrambles events*
Revision of duties of Area Directors*
Modify distribution of hare scrambles head tax*
Revised guidance for scheduling back-to-back events*
Revised competition schedule for 2016-2017*

*See appropriate Board of Directors meeting minutes for text of changes

Discussion of recently implemented AMA competition rule that prohibits riders under 14 years of age from riding a machine larger than 250cc. It was noted that adequate notice of this change had not been posted on the FTR website to allow the Board of Directors to approve this rule change (on second reading) at the July 30, 2016 Board meeting. However, the Board suggested that the Hare Scrambles Committee adopt this as an emergency rule change, and that it be presented to the Executive Committee for approval in accordance with emergency rule change requirements, and that a notice be placed on the FTR website advising hare scrambles competitors of this upcoming action.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Approved by unanimous vote at 10:45AM.

Minutes submitted by Jack Terrell, FTR Secretary