

Penn Coachmen Business Meeting
Pocono Raceway Rally
September 27, 2025

- Sue Cipa, Penn Coachmen President called the meeting to order at 4:03 PM.
- Pledge of Allegiance
- A quorum was present.
- There was an introduction of the chapter officers and members were thanked for attending.
- Sue Cipa gave an overview of the 2025 rally season with Rally Masters being recognized.
- Reading of the last Business meeting held in May 2025 was waived as minutes are posted on the website.
- Treasurer's report was unavailable. The chapter is financially healthy, and chapter dues were reduced at the last meeting.
- Lynda Bucklew gave a membership report: 159 Active, 19 Honorary, 12 New Members plus a couple more from this rally.
- Sue Cipa reminded members of the Christmas Luncheon, December 8th at Shady Maple in East Earl, PA. Cost \$28/person. Sign up is still available. Our room holds 100. Checks to be made out to Sue Cipa.

2026 rally season:

- April 19-22, Old Mill Stream, Lancaster PA. Clarissa & Larry Sherrow Rally Masters
- May 17-20, Dogwood Acres, Newville, PA.
- July 20-23, Lakewood Campground, Barnesville PA
- August Site is not determined. Seeking suggestions
- September- Looking at a joint rally with the Bay Travelers chapter to Chincoteague, VA
- October-Looking at a joint rally with the Dogwood chapter at Harper's Ferry, WV

Rally information will be posted on our website.

- Gil Raye gave the National Director's report from the Governing Board Meeting held at Gillette WY.
 - RV industry has seen a turnaround with increased growth and FRVA looking for an increase in members. Dues make up the largest part of FRVA income.

- There was discussion on future National Convention sites and financial loss
- AMS system/computer program built by FRVA members that should better meet the needs of FRVA and its members.
- Committee reports were given
- Election of National Officers: Paul Mitchell, President. Bob Weithofer VP, Glenda Milner, Secretary and Ken Lewis

Gil Raye also shared that the Diesel Pusher Chapter is now accepting gas motorhomes.

- Sue Cipa discussed GEAR, Nov. 5-9 at Ocean Lakes Campground, Myrtle Beach. Nov.3 & 4 RV Basics \$149/person. Waiting list for GEAR. 305 RVs have registered. A review of events given. Carol Crossett, President of the Rolling Red Hatters said the Ladies Luncheon, which will be catered, is all set. Penn Coachmen will participate in the GEAR Talent Show. Rehearsal for the Talent Show for Penn Coachmen will be Tuesday evening at 6 PM. There will be a chapter gathering. Location to be determined.
- Lynda Bucklew, Chapter membership, stated that the Chapter Directory is down. She and Bob Bucklew will give a seminar tomorrow to show how to access the directory while the phone app system is down.

New Business:

- Election of Officers, for 2026. Sue Cipa read the slate of officers after announcing the Nominating Committee: Bob Crossett, Diane Heck, and Steve Mahanes. Slate of Officers: President: Sue Cipa, Sr. VP: Bob Crossett, Secretary: Donna Henry, Treasurer: Chris McGee. Area VPs: Carol Crossett, Bev Beidel, Bruce Bigham. A nomination from the floor to add Tony Mandik as an Area VP by Phyllis Britz was made. Tony accepted the nomination. Dave Witt motioned to accept the slate and Stan Cromlish seconded it. A vote on next year's officers was taken and it was unanimous. Diane Heck read the oath.
- Other New Business, Eric Britz, made a motion to have Penn Coachmen disassociate from FRVA. This motion was withdrawn, and a motion was made by Gary Cipa "To research on the disassociation from FRVA" for the next business meeting in May at the Dogwood Rally. Concern was the impact of FRVA going away and impact on the chapter(s). Stan Cromlish seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Manny Vidal made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Nadine Parker

Submitted by,

Phyllis Britz