

# M.F.C. MC National Board Minutes – 18 Dec 2025

**Board Approved - 14 Jan 2025**

**Date:** 12/18/2025 Wens

**Time:** 7:00 pm (Eastern Zone)

**Place:** Zoom Meeting

**Call to Order** by President at 7:10 pm

**Guest Present:** None

**Roll Call** by Secretary of Board Members present:

Y Director	Scrape
Y President	TomKat
Y Vice President	Blackbeard
Y Secretary	Ranger
Y Treasurer	Chip
Y QM/SAA	Big Papi

**Quorum** was established with 100% of Members present.

## **OPENING BUSINESS**

### **Review Last Month's Minutes**

Any changes or additions? NO

Motion to Approve Minutes

1<sup>st</sup> Big Papi

2<sup>nd</sup> TomKat

Vote = Unanimous approval

**Old Business:** None

**Board Officer Reports:**

**Director:**

Scrape conducted meeting at the hotel hosting the National Assembly. All looking good. We will have transportation between the hotel and the American Legion (1.7 miles). Early arrivals can meet upstairs at the Sand Bar (on beach, down the road from hotel). American Legion will have finger food Friday evening. American Legion will have dinner served Saturday Night. Members will be given limited tickets for drinks. Members will pay cash at bar after coupons are used up.

National Assembly fees are \$100 per each Chapter FPM, Associate and guest. The \$100 fee is used for the National Assembly expenses, food, drinks, meeting rooms, and other National expenses such as advertising, web site fees, zoom meeting costs, and State Licenses and fees.

**Thurs – 1800 hrs** Early arrivals Sandbar restaurant (upstairs) Meet and Greet, full menu

and bar available at members expense. 2910 Atlantic Ave.

**Friday 09:00 hrs** – Nation Board mtg to review changes to Natl By-laws.

**13:00-16:00 hrs** National Board break-out meetings with Chapter Board Officers.

**17:30 hrs** Meet and Great at with food and drinks at American Legion Post 54

626 S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Fernandina Beach

**Saturday 09:00 hrs** - National Assembly meeting.

**18:00 hrs** Dinner at American Legion.

Will have raffle for 1 Week stay at the Red Door Cabin in Raban Gap, GA.

**Sunday** – Check out and ride home

**Board Officers Reports**

**President:** No report

**Vice President:**

Suggested adding Hang Arouns on National Roster. Board will require Chapters to add both Recruits and Hang Arouns on the Chapter Monthly Rosters. National Roster and will annotate date Hang Around and Recruit status began. Recruits should not be given Full Patch Membership until six months after becoming a Recruit. Chapters can always wait longer if they feel it is needed.

**Secretary:**

National Board Elections are coming in. **Vote Eligible Chapters must submit an e-mail to Natl Secretary NLT 31 Dec to be accepted.** All that is needed is the three candidates the Chapter selected. Chapters should email results ASAP after voting and post in Chapter Minutes. Remember Chapter minutes must be approved and will take longer. Email your votes so they will be accepted in time.

Chapters are reminded to conduct Chapter Board Elections NLT 31 Dec and to submit an updated Chapter Roster with the correct positions annotated.

Chapter Charters are due the Natl Secretary 31 Dec. Only Chapter Board Officers need to sign the form. Non-Board Members may just be printed on the next page. Chapter Charter Funds must also be sent to Natl Secretary. Chapters which are in their first year need not pay this because they will have to pay fees to the IRS when setting up their Chapters Tax ID.

Classes will be held for all Chapter Officer positions starting Friday 12:00 hrs at the National Assembly. All Chapters are expected to have their officer or replacement present at the meetings.

**Treasurer:**

\$	25,289.39	Broken Spokes Funds
\$	<u>12,169.51</u>	MFC Operating Funds
\$	37,458.90	MFC Total Balance
+ \$	0.00	Accounts Payable

**Sgt At Arms**

Any Background Check that reveals a criminal record that was not disclosed will be disclosed to the National Board before voting on acceptance. Chapter will be questioned for further discussion.

**Quartermaster:**

National Patches will be mailed to newly elected National Board Officer after the National Election.

### **New Business:**

Discussed National Board Election. Many chapters are not eligible to vote and many have not responded yet. Votes aren't due until 31 Dec. Secretary will release results after Chapter votes are collected up to deadline.

1. The club was incorporated in 2012 as an IRS recognized 501C (3) organization. We have an obligation under our organizing documents that mandate each chapter identify and adopt a local charity to support. Chapters are mandated to organize and promote an annual event in support of their respective charity. The event must be local and is intended to not only support the charity but as an opportunity to introduce your chapter to the public and motorcycling community.

2. Chapters are expected to promote their event publicly to other like-minded clubs and organizations. Chapters should not depend on just the support of the MFC Nation for an event.

3. The club has grown to the extent that chapter events undoubtedly will conflict with one another (SEE #2). Promoting your event and the club to the community as an excellent opportunity to recruit.

4. It should be requested that by Nationals each chapter should have a date chosen for their event so that it can be added to the National calendar online. The events can be slide-ins, fun rides, but they can't just be a raffle etc. The event must be local to the Chapter. The intent is that the event is public and promotes both the Charity and Club.

5. During the SEGA Chapter closure Abrams had made statements to VP Blackbeard that the "EIN was his and not the clubs" and that they were a "stand alone" organization as recognized by the IRS acknowledgment of the chapter's request. The club is officially incorporated in the State of Florida. The club has taken great effort to annually register with each Secretary of State that we as a club have a presence in. The MFC Motorcycle Club is granted this "authorization to operate" outside of Florida because of the formal corporate status and our registering as a "foreign corp" or in other terms as an "out of state corporation." Abrams argument about independent standing doesn't hold water.

6. Gear Issues remain- The logo does not belong to any one individual. The logo and its use are solely controlled by the National Board. In accordance with our National Bylaws and annual Charter agreements the logo is not to be used without the prior authorization

of the National Board- in writing, with an example image if available of the requested use. There are no limitations on the use of the logo for chapter banners, challenge coins, "one of" Broken Spoke items and specific promotional event shirts. In every other instance the Chapter must submit a request for logo usage to the National Quartermaster.

7. The National Board has not ever issued authorization to a Chapter for a "Chapter Specific" or Chapter gear. This includes tee shirts, flags, hoodies, support shirts etc. Official MFC Gear is available to members and has been carefully created to provide a wide range of options and the highest quality in materials and printing. It has always been important that the Club presents a uniformity in appearance that instills pride, professionalism and shared loyalty. The club maintains a warehouse full of gear available via the members only portal. There has been a huge investment in time and money that has gone into developing our club's merchandise and processes. There have been five instances in the past 10 months of chapters and individuals going to an outside vendor to have club shirts made. In each instance the results were substandard and should never have passed any sensibility test. These shirts were ultimately destroyed and won't ever be seen in public again. Historically club merchandise has raised a considerable amount of money, which has allowed many routine expenses to be deferred from the Club membership.

National President and Quartermaster will send information regarding Paragraphs 6-7 to the Membership. National Director will discuss paragraph 1-4 to the Membership. Both will distribute info on MFCMC.org.

### **Other Questions brought up?**

Motion made for discussion/vote on National Dues and Fees.

2026 \$250 Chapter Annual Charter, \$200 Patches and Shipping, \$50 Background Check

2027 \$350 Chapter Annual Charter, \$200 Patches and Shipping, \$50 Background Check

1<sup>st</sup> Chip

2<sup>nd</sup> Big Papi

Approved unanimously

### **Provisional and Non-Conforming Chapters (Not Eligible to Vote Natl Election)**

12 Corners (Non-Conforming)	< 51% MI, FF, LE
ATL (Non-Conforming)	< 51% MI, FF, LE
Bold City (Provisional)	needs Full Board, Less 1 year
Green Mountain (Non-Conforming)	needs Full Board
Lone Star	(Less than 1 yr)
Mountaineer (Provisional)	Needs Full Board
Rocky Top (Non-Conforming)	< 51% MI, FF, LE
The Region	(Less than 1 yr)
Twin Lakes	(less than 1 year)
Whitewater	(less than 1 year)

National Board Members are assigned as a Liaison between the National Board and Chapters. The assignments are as follows:

TomKat: Space Coast, ATL East, Rocky Top, Lone Star, Central  
 Blackbeard: E. Conn, 12 Corners, Green Mountain, Vette City  
 Ranger: Bay Area, Twin Lakes, Music City, Foothills, Whitewater  
 Chip: Iron Triangle, SEGA, Big Bend, Bold City, Smoky Mountain  
 Big Papi: Palm Beach, Broward, Mountaineers, The Region, Miami-Dade

**Meeting Adjourned at:** 10:00 pm.

**Next regular Board Meeting:** Date: 14 JAN 2026 Time: 19:00 hrs. Place:  
 Zoom

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