

WMCA Membership Committee Meeting Minutes  
May 7, 2025 10:00 a.m.  
Zoom Meeting

**Meeting Summary:**

Convene and Adjourn Time: 10:02 a.m. - 10:25 a.m.

Attendees: Matt Grove, Neal Kedzie, Rick Smith, Andy Ryther, Patrick George and Dan Johnson

**1. Review of Previous Meeting Minutes**

- The minutes from the April 2nd meeting were reviewed and approved.

**3. Membership Dues and Industry Changes**

- Andy discussed Sanimax membership dues and the need to reach out to members with past due fees.
- Andy and Rick discussed the potential defunct status of GIC and the merger of Elite Carriers with Ecklund.
- Matt provided updates on Kohel Interstate Transport and potential changes at JX, including involvement of John Drake's son-in-law, Austin.
- Rick offered to find Austin's contact information.
- Discussion on the relationship between Elite and Ecklund.

**4. Gateway Membership and Potential Candidates**

- Status of Gateway and potential for Dohrn to become a member.
- Possibility of reaching out to Kelly and Blake for potential membership.
- Andy suggested assigning people to new contacts and adopted members.
- Rick proposed adding another category for potential members.

**5. June Meeting Date Discussion**

- Next meeting date options: June 5th or June 25th.
- Upcoming WMCA Board of Directors meeting on June 25th.
- Consideration of syncing committee meeting with the board meeting or sticking to the first week of the month.
- Rick mentioned he would be in Alaska from June 20th to 25th.
- Agreement to send out an inquiry to the entire committee to determine preference for the meeting date.

**6. Next Steps**

- WMCA to continue reaching out to members with past due membership fees.
- WMCA to investigate Elite Carriers' merger with Ecklund and update membership records accordingly.
- Neal to contact Michael Hribar regarding membership renewal.
- Neal to check Foundation receipts for a Gateway Tech College contact person and reach out to them.
- Patrick to follow up with Kohler and Wetterau regarding membership.
- Rick to follow up with Pete about his membership payment.
- WMCA to add a "Potential Members" category to the membership report.
- WMCA to send out an inquiry to the entire committee regarding their preference for the next meeting date (June 5th or June 25th).

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m.