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## **ARTICLE I Name**

The name of the Association shall be the "Florida Rural Letter Carriers' Association" (FL RLCA). The Florida Rural Letter Carriers' Association by its Secretary/Treasurer maintains custody and control of the State Association name as well as any State Association logo or symbol. Unauthorized use of the state association name, logo, or symbol shall be addressed by the filing of an internal union charge or legal action or both.

## **ARTICLE II Purpose**

The purpose of this Association shall be a Union to study and advise the National Rural Letter Carriers' Association of all matters we deem to be in the best interest of rural letter carriers through the framework of our State Constitution and the National Constitution. This shall include resolutions to cover the scope of the rural letter carrier craft in relation to the National Constitution, and the National Contract between the National Rural Letter Carriers' Association and the United States Postal Service, or any other matter of importance we feel should have attention. Further, it shall be our purpose to unite with a fraternal spirit all members of this Association, to educate and protect each member within the rules or regulations governing such. Further, it shall be our purpose to prevent discrimination on the basis of race, color, age, gender, religion, creed, national origin, disability, or marital, economic, social, or political status.

## **ARTICLE III Members**

### **Section 1. Member in Good Standing.**

A "member in good standing" is a member who has made timely payment of dues and has not voluntarily withdrawn, been expelled, or suspended by the Association.

## **Section 2. Classifications.**

A. Bargaining Unit Member. Membership is open to the following rural carriers:

1. Regular Carriers (Designation Code 71), including regular carriers who are Injured- on- Duty/Leave Without Pay (IOD/LWOP) status and assigned to (980-989) rural routes;
2. Part-Time Flexible Rural Carriers. (PTFs, Designation Code 76);
3. Substitute Rural Carriers (Designation Codes 72 and 73);
4. Rural Carrier Associates (RCAs, Designation Codes 78, 74, 79);
5. Rural Carrier Reliefs (RCRs, Designation Code 75);
6. Auxiliary Rural Carriers (Designation Code 77); and
7. **Assistant Rural Carriers (ARCs Designation Code 70-5); and**
8. Rural Carriers in the Armed Forces of our country, provided they were members when their duty began.

Bargaining Unit Members in good standing are entitled to all voting rights and to hold both elective and appointive office at all levels of the Association.

B. Retired Member. Retired membership is open to Rural Carriers who were members in good standing at retirement on an annuity. Eligibility for Retired membership expires on June 30 of the year following retirement. Failure to pay dues for one full membership year terminates Retired membership. However, a Retired carrier whose membership has lapsed, due to extenuating circumstances, may apply for reinstatement to the National Secretary-Treasurer by providing proof of prior membership in the current year's dues. The National Secretary-Treasurer shall present the request for membership to the National Board for a decision. Retired Members in good standing are entitled to all voting rights with the exception of ratification of National Agreements. Retired Members may not be elected to National office.

C. Associate Member. Associate membership is open to Rural Carriers who were members in good standing and are now either working in other non/managerial Postal Service jobs or have left the service and are not receiving an annuity. Failure to pay dues for one full membership year terminates Associate membership. Associate Members shall not be entitled to vote or to hold elective or appointive office in the Association.

D. Retired Associate Member. Retired Associate membership is open to Associate Members who have retired on an annuity. Eligibility for Retired Associate membership expires on June 30 of the year following retirement. Failure to pay dues for one full membership year terminates Retired Associate membership. Retired Associates may not apply for reinstatement. Retired Associate Members shall not be entitled to vote or to hold elective or appointive office in the Association.

E. Honorary Member. Honorary membership may be bestowed by the Association at the National Convention upon recommendation of the National Board. Honorary Members shall not be entitled to vote or to hold elective or appointive office in the Association.

F. Member's district affiliation shall be determined by their work location.

### **Section 3. Restrictions.**

A. Inasmuch as it is an unfair labor practice under the Labor Management Relations Act (LMRA) for any employer (including persons acting in the capacity) to dominate or interfere with the administration of any labor organization, it follows that employers, while they may be members may not be candidates for office or serve as officers.

Members are prohibited from participation in the Association while serving in managerial or supervisory positions, such as Officer –in-Charge (OIC), Acting Supervisor (204-B), or Postmaster Relief (PMR) or acting in any capacity normally performed by a manager. Members who accept managerial positions shall be deemed to have resigned from all elected and appointed positions within the Association and shall be prohibited from holding any elected or appointed union positions for a period of one year from the last day served in that capacity.

B. Only members, subject to restrictions listed in this Article, are eligible to hold office or vote in either district or state organizations.

C. Retired carriers may vote, be appointed to committees, and hold office, unless specifically prohibited by constitutional provision.

### **Section 4. South Atlantic Conference Affiliation.**

A. The FL RLCA acknowledges membership in the South Atlantic Conference (SAC) and the requirement to pay annual dues.

B. Members of FL RLCA who are elected to an office of SAC shall be reimbursed for expenses incurred relative to their attendance at planning conferences of SAC, unless their expenses are paid by National or SAC.



C. Members of the State Board, and the State Editor, shall be paid at the current IRS rate per mile, round trip, from their home to SAC, when not required by the President to attend a scheduled board meeting.

D. Nomination and election to an office on the Board of Control of SAC shall take place at the State Convention. Nominations shall be in order anytime after 10 a.m. the first business day of the convention. Such nomination may include self-nomination.

## **Section 5. Dues.**

A. Annual State Per Capita dues shall be defined as follows per membership classification plus the National per capita dues as defined in the National Constitution. All state dues will be calculated from pay schedule dated on or before July 1 each year.

B. Regular Rural Carriers; .00225 of the yearly salary of a 40-hour Step C on the salary schedule which shall consist of \$11.00 for the district with remainder allocated to the state association.

C. Part-Time Flexible Rural Carriers; .00225 of the yearly salary of a 40-hour Step C on the salary schedule which shall consist of \$9.00 for the district with remainder allocated to the state association.

D. Substitute Rural Carriers; .000895 of the yearly salary of a 40-hour Step C on the salary schedule which shall consist of \$7.00 for the district with remainder allocated to the state association.

E. Rural Carrier Associates; .000895 of the yearly salary of a 40-hour Step C on the salary schedule which shall consist of \$7.00 for the district with remainder allocated to the state association.

F. Rural Carrier Reliefs; .000895 of the yearly salary of a 40-hour Step C on the salary schedule which shall consist of \$7.00 for the district with remainder allocated to the state association.

G. Auxiliary Rural Carriers; .000895 of the yearly salary of a 40-hour Step C on the salary schedule which shall consist of \$7.00 for the district with remainder allocated to the state association.

**H. Assistant Rural Carriers; .000895 of the yearly salary of a 40-hour Step C on the salary schedule which shall consist of \$7.00 for the district with remainder allocated to the state association.**

I. Retired Rural Carriers; \$42.00 which shall consist of \$37.00 for state; and \$5.00 for district.

**J.** Associate Member; .0023 of the yearly salary of a 40-hour Step C on the salary schedule which shall consist of \$11.00 for the district with remainder allocated to the state association.

**K.** Retired Associate Member; \$45.00 which shall consist of \$39.00 for state; and \$6.00 for district.

## **Section 6. Family Plan.**

A. In addition to the above defined amounts, for those who have authorized deduction of such dues, annual State Auxiliary Per Capita dues shall be designated as follows, plus the National Auxiliary per capita dues as defined in the National Auxiliary Constitution.

B. Regular Rural Carriers; \$4.00

C. Part-Time Flexible Rural Carriers; 0

D. Substitute Rural Carriers; 0

E. Rural Carrier Associates; 0

F. **Assistant Rural Carriers; 0**

G. Rural Carrier Reliefs; 0

H. Auxiliary Rural Carriers; 0

I. Retired Rural Carriers; \$2.00

Those members who have signed an authorization for deduction of dues form 1187 and those that have paid by cash shall have the above amounts deducted pro-rata from the total defined dues amounts by the NRLCA and remitted to the National Auxiliary quarterly.

Those NRLCA members who have signed an authorization for deduction of dues form 1187 or have paid by cash and do not wish to participate in the Family Plan may request a refund of Auxiliary dues. Such refund request must be made in writing to the NRLCA Secretary-Treasurer not more than twenty (20) days and not less than ten (10) days prior to the beginning of the NRLCA fiscal year. This refund request will stay in effect each year until the member notifies the NRLCA Secretary-Treasurer otherwise.

## **Section 7. Tributes.**

The FL RLCA authorizes the FL RLCA Auxiliary Board to send a tribute, on behalf of the FL RLCA, in remembrance of a deceased member. The tribute may be in the form of a floral piece or a memorial gift, at the discretion of the deceased member's family. All floral tributes will have a maximum of \$100 plus tax and delivery charges, all charitable organization memorial gifts will have a maximum of \$75.00. To avoid duplication all tributes should be coordinated through the state Secretary/Treasurer.

## **Section 8. Discipline.**

The State Board may discipline any member of the Association or subordinate unit for misconduct or neglect of duty in office and after a fair and impartial hearing. Any member so disciplined shall have a right of appeal as provided in this Constitution.

# **ARTICLE IV Subordinate Units**

## **Section 1. Subordinate Units.**

A. A county or combination of counties with five or more members can obtain a charter by remitting the charter fee and the per capita tax for county members at the time of application. Each district shall pay one dollar (\$1.00) for its charter.

### **B. District Boundaries**

Descriptions of the Districts of the FL RLCA are listed below. The boundaries of each district will be as stated. Each district will maintain a Florida state map which will outline the district boundaries.

District 1: Consists of the counties of St. Lucie, Martin, Okeechobee, Palm Beach, and the delivery area of Deerfield Beach.

District 2: Consists of the counties of Lee, Collier, and Hendry.

District 3: Consists of Osceola County and that portion of Orange County and Seminole County that lie south and east of a straight line beginning at the southwest corner of Orange County and extending to the Seminole County border at the Volusia and Seminole County lines at the intersection of I-4; and that portion of Volusia County south of a straight line drawn from the town of Volusia, to, and including Oak Hill.

District 4: Consists of Pinellas County and that portion of Hillsborough County which lies north of I-4, and including the Tampa delivery area.

District 5: Consists of Citrus County; that portion of Marion County that lies south of CR-316; that portion of Sumter County that lies northwest of I-75 and northeast of the Florida Turnpike excluding the Lake Panasoffkee delivery area; and that portion of Lake County north of Eagles Nest Road, Fruitland Park, to the north county line at CR-450.

District 6: Consists of the counties of Columbia, Gilchrist, Union, Alachua, Levy, and Bradford, excluding the delivery area of Lawtey; that portion of Baker County west of CR-127 and CR-229; that portion of Putnam County west of CR-315 and north of SR-100, excluding the delivery area of Interlachen; and that portion of Marion County that lies north of CR-316; and including the delivery area of Keystone Heights in Clay County.

District 7: Consists of Lake County, excluding the portion north of Eagles Nest Road, Fruitland Park, to the north county line at CR-450; the delivery area of the city of Wildwood; and that portion of Orange and Seminole Counties that lie west and north of a straight line from the southwest corner of Orange County to the Seminole/Volusia County line where it intersects with I-4.

District 8: Consists of the counties of Franklin, Liberty, Gadsden, Leon, Wakulla, Jefferson, Madison, Taylor, Hamilton, Suwannee, Lafayette, and Dixie.

District 9: Consists of the counties of Jackson, Washington, Holmes, Walton, Bay, Calhoun, and Gulf.

District 10: Consists of the counties of Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, and Escambia.

District 11: Consists of the counties of Duval, Nassau, and Clay, excluding the delivery area of Keystone Heights; that portion of Baker County that lies east of CR-127 and CR-229; and that portion of St. Johns County that lies north of CR-16 and a line drawn directly east as though CR-16 extended into the Atlantic Ocean.

District 12: Consists of the counties of Polk and Highlands.

District 13: Consists of Flagler County; that portion of Putnam County south of SR-100 and east of CR-315, including the delivery area of East Palatka and Interlachen; that portion of Marion County and Lake County east of SR-19 and north of SR-40 to the town of Volusia; and the northeast side of a straight line running southeast from the town of St. Johns County south of CR-16 extended into the Atlantic Ocean.

District 14: Consists of the counties of Miami-Dade, Monroe, and Broward, excluding the delivery area of Deerfield Beach.

District 15: Consists of the counties of Charlotte, Glades, Sarasota, and Desoto.

District 16: Consists of the counties of Indian River and Brevard.

District 17: Consists of the counties of Manatee, Hardee, and that portion of Hillsborough county which lies south of I-4, excluding the Tampa delivery area.

District 18: Consists of the counties of Pasco, Hernando, and that portion of Sumter County which lies southeast of I-75 and southwest of the Florida Turnpike, including the Lake Panasoffkee delivery area.

## **Section 2. Officers.**

A. Each district will notify the district membership a minimum of fifteen (15) days prior to the date District Officers are to be elected. In this notification, the date, time, and location must be specified. Said meeting place must be the most centrally located within the district, and the date and time, one that will be most accessible to all members.

B. The District Officers will be elected by secret ballot for one year or until their successors are elected and installed.

### **C. District Presidents' Reports**

Each District President shall submit a report of the District's activities during the year to be published in "The Florida Rural Letter Carrier" just prior to the State Convention. The report will not be more than 250 words.

### **D. District Secretary/Treasurer Training**

All elected District Secretary/Treasurers who attend, in its entirety, a training class in the duties of their office, shall be paid one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) to help defray any expenses incurred, limited to one training class per fiscal year.

## **Section 3. Trusteeship.**

A. The President, with the approval of the State Executive Board, may place in trusteeship any District for any of the following reasons:

1. To uphold the principles and integrity of this Constitution.
2. To correct corruption or financial malpractice.
3. To assure performance of collective bargaining agreements or other duties of a bargaining representative;
4. To restore democratic procedures; and
5. To otherwise carry out the legitimate objectives of both the National and State Association.

B. The trustees, being the State Executive Board, shall assume immediate control and authority of the District, with full authority over the Officers and property thereof. The trustees shall continue to act in such a capacity for the duration of the trusteeship.

C. Within 30 days of the imposition of the trusteeship, a hearing shall be held before a Committee comprised of three members; one selected by the State Executive Board; one selected by the members of the District placed in trusteeship; and a chairman selected by the other two members. No member of this Committee shall be chosen from either the State Executive Board or the affected District. This Committee shall have sole discretion as to the conduct and procedures at the hearing.

D. After the close of the hearing, or as soon as practicable, the Committee shall report their findings and recommendations to the President. After reviewing the findings and recommendations of the Committee, the President, with the approval of the State Executive Board, shall then determine whether to continue or terminate the trusteeship accordingly.

E. No earlier than six months after imposition of the trusteeship, and at six-month intervals thereafter, the affected District may file a petition with the President requesting termination of the trusteeship. Acting on such petition, or at any time, the President, with the approval of the State Executive Board, may terminate the trusteeship and restore government to the District.

F. The affected District, if not satisfied with the decision of the President under National Constitution, Article IV, Section 7.c, shall have appeal rights as provided in National Constitution, Article X, Section 1.

## **ARTICLE V**

### **Officers & Appointees**

#### **Section 1. Officers & Appointees.**

A. The Officers of this Association shall consist of the President, Vice President, and Secretary/Treasurer who shall be elected by secret ballot for one year, or until their successors are elected and installed, and an Executive Committee consisting of four members who shall be elected by secret ballot for two years.

B. The Executive Committee positions will be filled with two elected by secret ballot on odd numbered years and two elected by secret ballot on even numbered years, or until their successors are elected and installed.

C. The Chairman of the Executive Committee will be appointed jointly by the President, Vice President, and Secretary/Treasurer of the FL RLCA.

D. A day of pay (ADOP) is defined as the equivalent to a daily rate of a 44/K step 12 (Table 1).

## **Section 2. Duties.**

### A. President.

1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Association or of the State Board, and enforce all laws thereof, and fill all vacancies pro-tem caused in any way in the State Board of the Association, subject to the approval of the State Board. The President shall have the general superintendency of all the affairs and sign all orders legally drawn on the Secretary/Treasurer. The President shall sign all papers and documents requiring the President's signature.
2. On the first day of each State Convention, the President shall announce the appointments from the list of elected delegates, then in the hands of the Secretary/Treasurer, a committee of three on credentials; a committee of three on auditing; a committee of three on resolutions, and a committee of three on constitution. The President shall announce the appointments of all other committees from the list of delegates.
3. The President's decision upon all questions of law shall be final during recess of this Association. The President shall report all such decisions to the Association at its State Convention for approval or rejection. Such decisions, when approved or revised by the State Association, shall have the effect and force of the general laws of the Association.
4. The President shall have the power to grant charters and, in conjunction with the Secretary/Treasurer, issue them during the interim between meetings of the State Association.
5. The President shall appoint, at the beginning of a new fiscal year, special committees as shall have been provided for and shall have authority to fill all vacancies occurring therein during recess.
6. The President shall submit, at each State Convention, a report of all of his/her official acts during his/her term of office. The requirement would be waived if the annual report has been published in "The Florida Rural Letter Carrier" just prior to the State Convention. The President shall perform such other duties as the laws, rules and regulations of the Association may require.
7. The President shall appoint an Officer of the State Association, when the President deems advisable, to represent the State Association at each district meeting.
8. The President shall appoint, at the beginning of a new year, a Parliamentarian to provide guidance at all official state meetings.
9. The President shall appoint two members of a three member standing committee called the Budget and Finance Committee. The non-appointed member shall be the current State Secretary/Treasurer.
10. The President may employ/utilize Union suppliers, sub-contractors, and employees whenever practical.

## B. Vice President

1. The Vice President shall preside in the absence of the President and in case of death, resignation, disqualification, refusal or neglect of the President to discharge the duties of his/her office, and shall perform all duties incumbent upon the President until an election shall be held and the successor duly installed.
2. The Vice President shall give a full report of his/her official acts at the State Convention. The requirement would be waived if the annual report has been published in "The Florida Rural Letter Carrier" just prior to the State Convention.

## C. Secretary/Treasurer

1. The Secretary/Treasurer shall keep a current record of the proceedings of the Association, read, or cause to be read, all communications, reports, etc., and draw and attest all orders on the Treasury. The Secretary/Treasurer shall affix the seal of the Association to all official documents; prepare for publication a correct copy of the entire proceedings of this Association at its State Convention, or special meetings, within one month of the close of each Convention or called meeting. The Secretary/Treasurer shall also present, on the first day of each Convention, a complete statement of the condition of the Association, including a statement of the membership of same.
2. The Secretary/Treasurer shall cause to be written verified orders for payments, drawn on the Treasury and issue checks in payment of properly itemized invoices, statements, authorized payroll payments and other obligations of the Association as directed by the State President or State Board. The Secretary/Treasurer shall sign all papers and documents requiring the Secretary or Treasurer's signature.
3. The Secretary/Treasurer shall conduct the correspondence of the Association, keep a record, and submit same when demanded by the Executive Board.
4. The Secretary/Treasurer shall have charge of the seal, books, papers, and documents belonging to the Association, and shall deliver to the Association or to the successor, all property of the Association, either at the expiration of the term of office or upon an earlier termination thereof.
5. The Secretary/Treasurer shall keep a true and correct account between the State Association and the National Association.
6. The Secretary/Treasurer shall close all financial records at the end of the fiscal year, June 30. These financial records shall be audited by a Certified Public Accountant.
7. The State Secretary/Treasurer shall obtain a professional audit of the State's financial records each year, ending June 30, at the most reasonable cost.
8. The Secretary/Treasurer shall perform such other duties as the laws and regulations of his/her office may require.



9. The Secretary/Treasurer shall receive all monies, which may be paid to the Association, giving a receipt thereof.
10. The Secretary/Treasurer shall deposit all monies received in convenient depositories, such deposits to be made in the name of Florida Rural Letter Carriers' Association.
11. The Secretary/Treasurer shall maintain a current listing of the membership of the State Association. Each District Secretary will be provided a copy of the membership within his/her district once yearly and/or upon request.
12. The Secretary/Treasurer shall be authorized to employ such office help as may be necessary, subject to review by the Executive Board. This help will be financed by the Association.
13. The Secretary/Treasurer shall oversee the training of all District Secretaries.
14. It shall be the duty of the Secretary/Treasurer to notify all members, at least 15 days prior to the opening of the State Convention of the time and place, the nomination and election procedures, and the offices to be filled.
15. In the event the Secretary/Treasurer is unable to perform the duties of the office as required, the Vice President shall be authorized by the President to perform all duties incumbent upon the Secretary/Treasurer until an election shall be held and a successor duly installed. The State Secretary/Treasurer name and the State Vice President name shall be on the bank signature authorization cards with only one signature required on checks. The Vice President shall give a full report of his/her official acts at the State Convention. The Secretary/Treasurer and the Vice President shall meet periodically to review procedures of the office.

#### D. Executive Committee

1. The Executive Committee shall act as Trustees of the Association and, in conjunction with the President, shall have general supervision and control over the Association.
2. They shall perform such other duties as the State Association may from time to time direct.

#### E. State Editor

1. The State Editor shall be appointed by the State Board and be responsible for the publication of a state paper and the mailing of same to all members of the state, monthly. The State Secretary/Treasurer shall provide the State Editor with a correct mailing list of members to receive the paper. Neither the State Editor, nor the publisher, shall allow the mailing list to be used or copied by anyone without the express permission of the State Board.
2. The State Editor shall attend all required State, Regional, and National meetings. The State Editor shall be required to obtain, first-hand, all information possible for publication that would help

educate the members of the state and give them information of value. The State Editor shall have the right to refuse to print any material or article deemed unsuitable and return it to the writer with a reason as to why it is unsuitable. It shall be the State Editor's duty to set priorities on material received to maintain the space available factor.

3. The State Editor shall make a complete report of official activities to the Association at the State Convention. The requirement would be waived if the annual report has been published in "The Florida Rural Letter Carrier" just prior to the State Convention.

4. The State Editor shall be reaffirmed annually by a vote of confidence by the delegates of the State Convention.

### **Section 3. Eligibility, Nomination and Election.**

A. To be eligible for a state office, the nominee must be a member in good standing of the Florida Rural Letter Carriers' Association.

B. The nomination and election of Officers shall take place at each State Convention. Nominations shall be in order any time after 10 a.m. the first business day of the Convention.

C. The election of Officers shall take place at the State Convention and their installation shall take place during the course of the Convention.

D. The election of Officers shall be by written ballot of the elected delegates, except when only one candidate has been nominated, a vote of acclamation may be cast in lieu of a written ballot provided there is no objection. Where there is more than one candidate for the same office, it shall require a majority of all votes cast to be elected. Where there are more than two candidates for the same office and no candidate receives a majority after the third ballot, beginning with the fourth ballot, the candidate who received the least number of votes on the preceding ballot shall be dropped until the election is determined. Write in votes shall not be considered valid.

E. Any member not satisfied with the election procedure followed at the State Convention, may appeal to the State Board, in writing, within 30 days following the close of the Convention. The State President shall select a member, the grievant shall select a member, and the two members so selected will select a third member to act as Chairman. The three-person committee shall conduct a hearing and render a decision.

### **Section 4. Salaries.**

A. President

1. The President shall receive a salary of \$200.00 per month.

2. The President shall be paid ADOP (A Day of Pay) during the actual business meeting days of the State Convention and any day

of the National Convention when more than 4 hours work for the FL RLCA is completed in addition to delegate duties. Delegate pay shall be in order during this time if applicable. FL RLCA per diem shall not be paid during this time. This section shall in no way alter Article V.5.H below or disqualify the President from any other State reimbursement or compensation except as specifically stated herein.

**B. Vice-President**

The Vice-President shall receive a salary of \$200.00 every six months.

**C. Secretary/Treasurer**

Effective as soon as administratively practicable, the (elected) Secretary/Treasurer shall serve on a full-time basis and:

1. The Secretary/Treasurer shall be paid an amount equal to the maximum daily rate of salary payable to a route evaluated at 40 hours at the top step of salary Table 1, plus ~~\$300.00~~ **\$1000.00** per month.

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2. The Secretary/Treasurer shall be paid per Article V.4.C.1 during the actual business meeting days of the State and National conventions. Delegate pay shall be in order during this time if applicable. FL RLCA per diem shall not be paid during this time. This Section shall in no way alter Section 5.H below or disqualify the Secretary/Treasurer from any other National or State reimbursement or compensation except as specifically stated herein.
3. In the event any Secretary/Treasurer is succeeded by a newly elected Secretary/Treasurer, all salary items listed in paragraphs one and two above shall continue for the outgoing Secretary/Treasurer for a period of time to be designated by the State Board, but no less than two months, and will apply to the newly elected Secretary/Treasurer as soon as practicable. In the interim, the State Board shall approve all salary payments, if necessary, to the newly elected Secretary/Treasurer.

**D. Executive Committee**

The members of the State Executive Committee shall receive a salary of \$150.00 every six months.

**E. State Editor**

The State Editor shall receive a salary of \$500.00 per month.

**F. PAC Chairman**

The PAC Chairman shall receive a salary of \$300.00 every six months.

## **Section 5. Expenses.**

A. Any Officer, assigned by the President to attend meetings or perform Union duties, shall be paid reasonable actual incurred travel expenses up to the actual IRS rate and reasonable lodging, subject to review by the Executive Board, if required to fulfill the assignment. Should the performance of such duties necessitate the use of LWOP, annual leave, other leave, etc., they shall be appropriately reimbursed. This shall include ADOP and voluntary participation in an organized retirement plan, when qualification requirements are met. No Officer shall be paid to attend their own district meeting or joint district meeting within their own district boundaries. Upon the accumulation of 10 days of FLRLCA ADOP, an additional payment of 1.5 days will be made, with any fraction thereof remaining paid the first payday after the end of the fiscal year.

B. All elected State Officers and the State Editor, when required to be away from home overnight, will receive per diem at the appropriate USPS per diem rate.

C. When the President, Vice President, Committeeman, or the State Editor is assigned by the President to a meeting or to perform other Union work on a non-scheduled day (i.e. relief day, Sunday, holiday, etc.) and said Union work is equal to more than 4 hours, he/she will receive a day of pay (ADOP).

~~D. When any full time employee of the FL RLCA performs Union work on a non-scheduled day (i.e. relief day, Sunday, holiday, etc.), and said Union work is equal to more than 4 hours he/she will receive a compensated day off to be scheduled at their convenience.~~

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D. When any Union member is assigned by the President to perform Union work on a non-scheduled day (i.e. relief day, Sunday, holiday, etc.) and said Union work is equal to more than 4 hours, the Union member will receive a day of pay (ADOP).

E. The State Editor shall be paid mileage at the rate set per Article V.5.A.

F. The State Editor shall be paid for itemized expenses incurred.

G. Any member, who may be authorized by the Executive Board to do organizational work, shall receive reimbursement and payment per Article V.5.A-B for his/her services. Non-scheduled days shall be paid per Article V.5.C.

H. Any conference call placed at the expense of this Association to another member of the Union should be identified as a conference call before the conversation commences.

## **Section 6. Benefits.**

A. All benefits for the Secretary/Treasurer shall be paid per established U.S.P.S. regulations.

B. The Secretary/Treasurer shall be granted annual leave in accordance with the U.S.P.S. regulations. Unused annual leave, up to a limit of 55 days, can be carried forward for use in future years. All, or a portion of it, may be "cashed out" annually at the current established rate of pay as defined in Article V.4.C.1 and paid the first pay day in June.

C. The Secretary/Treasurer shall earn thirteen (13) days sick leave per year. Unused sick leave will be carried forward for future use.

D. Within 6 months of leaving office, all full time employees' of the FL RLCA, or the estate of the employee, shall be paid for all unused annual leave and unused sick leave accumulation at the current established rate of pay.

## **Section 7. Removal.**

In case of neglect of duty or violation of this Constitution on the part of any Officer of the FL RLCA or District thereof, in the interim between State Conventions, the State Executive Board shall have the power to suspend any Officer or District of the FL RLCA after a fair hearing, subject to an appeal to the next FL RLCA State Convention.

## **Section 8. Vacancy in Office.**

A. In the case of vacancy in the office of President, the Vice President shall serve as President for the remainder of the term.

B. In the Case of vacancy in any other office, the President shall appoint a successor, subject to the approval of the State Board. In the event the vacancy occurs within sixty days preceding the State Convention, the vacancy shall be filled by election at the convention.

C. If said event is during the first year of a two-year term, an election shall be held to fill the unexpired term (i.e. a one-year term shall exist until the following State Convention, at which time the position shall revert to a two year term). An Officer so appointed shall not continue in the position beyond the next State Convention except by election of the delegates.

D. Any Officer whose separation from the rural craft is determined by the State Board to be through no fault of the officer shall remain in office until the next State Convention.

## **Section 9. Association Property.**

All members of the FL RLCA, whether they be duly elected Officers, appointed to a position, or in an assigned position representing rural letter carriers shall, at the expiration of the term of office, or upon an earlier termination thereof, turn over to the Association, their successor, or the person responsible for the materials in question, all books, papers, monies and other property that they may have in their possession which belongs to the Association. This includes materials acquired through the training academies, and regional, area or nationwide seminars. Failure to comply with this directive can subject the individual to possible charges and/or suits from the Department of Labor, as well as from the National Office.

## **ARTICLE VI Meetings**

### **Section 1. State Convention.**

A. The Association shall meet annually at such city that was determined at the prior meeting. The association shall determine the annual meeting two years in advance. The Executive Board shall have the authority to change such date and place by giving official notice through the official news publication and by letter to the District Secretaries of the State.

B. It shall be the duty of the State Secretary to notify all members, at least 15 days prior to the opening of the State Convention of the time and place, the nomination and election procedures, and the offices to be filled.

### **Section 2. Meeting Expenses.**

#### **A. State Convention Expenses**

The State Association will supplement the Convention expenses in an amount not to exceed \$5.00 for each ~~regular rural carrier member, \$3.00 for each PTF member, and \$1.00 for each RCA and RCR member,~~ based upon the membership of the preceding Association year.

**B.** The Host District will receive an accounting of funds available to them. It will be their committee's responsibility to obtain approval and document all expenditures to be paid by the State Secretary/Treasurer. The monies will be administered by the State Board.

### **Section 3. Delegates.**

Each district shall be entitled to one delegate to the State Convention for each ten (10) FL RLCA members from that district or major fraction thereof. Delegates to the State Convention must be elected by secret ballot of the

district membership. In order for this to be accomplished the following actions will be necessary:

A. Nominations for State Delegates within each district shall be accomplished by submitting the nomination by U.S. Mail on a nominating ballot to be published in the January, February, and March issues of "The Florida Rural Letter Carrier" ~~or in writing~~ by the member making the nomination. Such nomination may include self-nomination.

B. Nominations of candidates for State Delegates shall be received by the District Secretary ~~prior to~~ **no later than** April 1st. No hand delivered, faxed or email nominations will be accepted. The District Secretary will mail a ballot to each individual authorized to vote, with instructions for each member to indicate on the ballot his/her desire for the nominated individuals to represent his/her district as a delegate at the State Convention. However, if nominations for State Convention Delegates do not meet the district's quota of delegates, then all nominations will be accepted, as delegates and mailing of ballots will not be required. Write-ins will not be allowed. The District Secretary will send a post card to each nominee acknowledging receipt of their nomination.

C. Individuals authorized to vote are: regular carriers, part time flexible carriers, substitute rural carriers, rural carrier associates, rural carrier reliefs, auxiliary rural carriers, and retired rural carriers. These individuals must be current dues paying members to be eligible to vote.

D. The above action must be taken at least 60 days prior to the State Convention. The ballot will be mailed back to the District Secretary at least ten (10) days prior to the scheduled district meeting, which precedes the State Convention by more than fifteen (15) days. These sealed mailing envelopes containing ballots will remain sealed until the District President appoints a committee to verify the voter's authenticity. They will then be opened by this committee and the ballots tabulated. This count may be observed by any FL RLCA member present at the meeting. The final tabulation will be sent to the State Secretary so as to arrive at least ten (10) days prior to the State Convention.

E. Only those delegates and alternates elected as specified above will be seated at the State Convention and be authorized to vote. The "Unit Rule" will not apply in the Florida Rural Letter Carriers' Association and only one vote will be cast by each delegate or alternate seated at the Convention.

F. When the State Convention is held, the membership shall be determined by the number of members who have paid their dues for the fiscal year in which the Convention is held. All members on dues withholding shall be considered paid up at all times.

## **Section 4. Compensation for State Delegates.**

A. Delegates to the State Convention shall receive \$400.00. Alternate Delegates who are elevated to delegate status shall receive the same allowance. In order to receive this allowance, all delegates must remain at the convention until all duties of the delegates are completed, be registered prior to the time the first business session is called to order, and be required to remain at the convention until all duties of the delegate are completed.

B. In the event that the delegate undergoes a catastrophic or life changing event (i.e. death in the family, birth of a child/grandchild, injury or illness to self or family) the delegates to the state convention would have the authority to pay the delegate allowance by 2/3 vote.

## **Section 5. Quorum.**

Twenty delegates representing six districts shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business of the State Association at the State Convention, but a less number than that may adjourn to some future time.

## **Section 6. Order of Business.**

### A. Call to Order

When the presiding Officer takes the chair, the Officers and Delegates will take their respective seats, and at the sound of the gavel, the Convention will come to order.

### B. Program

The State Convention Program shall be the order of business. The President may make changes for a session to expedite the proceedings or accommodate guest speakers. The order of business may be transposed by a majority vote of the Convention.

### C. Committee Reports

1. The Resolutions Committee will not accept resolutions, to be included in their report, any later than 72 hours before the scheduled time for the first business session of the State Convention. Each proposal must bear the District's number and authorized signature or the District's number and the individual member's signature. To consider any resolution not included in the committee's report, a motion must be made from the floor during new business for a vote to allow the resolution itself to be considered.



2. The Constitution Committee will not accept Constitution proposals, to be included in their report, any later than 72 hours before the scheduled time for the first business session of the State Convention. Each proposal must bear the District's number and authorized signature or the District's number and the individual member's signature. To consider any Constitution proposal not included in the committee's report, a motion must be made from the floor during new business for a vote to allow the Constitution proposal itself to be considered.

## **Section 7. Booster and Special Meetings.**

In addition to the State Convention there will be:

A. A Spring Booster meeting to be held either in March or April and a Fall Booster meeting to be held either in October or November. The State Board shall select the meeting locations, sites, and make all the arrangements. One meeting shall be held in the northern half of the state and one in the southern half of the state.

B. Optional combined district meetings

C. A special meeting of the State Association may be called by the President upon a written consent of a majority of the Executive Board, or by request of a majority of the Executive Board.

# **ARTICLE VII**

## **National Convention Delegates**

### **Section 1. Eligibility**

A. Each state association shall be entitled to representation by one delegate for every 100 members or major fraction thereof and one Delegate-at-Large. Membership shall be based on the number of dues withholding and cash pay Bargaining Unit and Retired Members. In order for a state to receive credit for cash pay members, dues must be received no later than the close of business on the first day of the Convention.

B. Only Bargaining Unit Members and Retired Members in good standing may be nominated, elected or seated as delegates. Such "good standing" status shall be the sole requisite for determining eligibility or entitlement to service as a delegate or to any payment or benefit, except that a state may establish reasonable rules to assure attendance at the Convention.

C. A member who accepts or acts at any time in any capacity normally performed by a manager, as defined by the NRLCA National Board, from the end of one convention to the end of the next convention, shall be ineligible to serve as delegate.

## **Section 2. Nomination.**

A. Within each state association, nominations for National Delegate shall be submitted by U.S. Mail to the Secretary-Treasurer on a nominating ballot or copy. The nominating ballot as published in "The National Rural Letter Carrier", shall be signed and show the name and address of the member making the nomination, and may include self-nomination.

B. Nominations must be received in the office of the State Secretary/Treasurer at least 40 days prior to the opening of the state convention. Upon receipt, the State Secretary/Treasurer shall send a notice of nomination to the candidate by U.S. Mail.

## **Section 3. Election.**

A. It shall be the duty of the State Secretary/Treasurer to prepare a ballot listing the nominees by a lottery drawing for the position of delegate to the National Convention and to mail such ballot to all members at least twenty (20) days prior to the opening of the State Convention.

B. Ballots shall be returned to an Election Committee appointed by the State President and counted at the State Convention. Any candidate may observe the vote tabulation.

C. A plain envelope marked "BALLOT" shall be provided to each member to seal the ballot for mailing to the Election Committee.

D. The sealed plain envelope, containing the ballot, shall be returned to the Election Committee, by the member, in another envelope clearly identifying name and address of the member. This is required in order to verify the voting member's enrollment and to maintain the integrity of the voting procedure.

E. The number of candidates, to be voted upon by each member, shall not be more than the total number of delegate votes to which the State Association was entitled the previous year. Appropriate instructions shall be on each ballot stating the number of delegates to be elected and the name and mailing address of the Election Committee to whom they should be returned. The ballot must be returned to the Election Committee, by mail, prior to the first business session of the State Convention.

F. In reporting the results of the vote tabulations, the candidates shall be placed on a roster in accordance with the number of votes received. In

accordance with the National Constitution, the required number of Delegates for the State Association shall be declared Delegates in the order of their finish. The required number of Alternates, in accordance with the State Constitution, shall be declared from the remaining candidates in the order of their finish. In the event of a tie, the last three (3) digits of a member's social security number will be used as the tie-breaker, with 000 being most senior. Should the last three (3) digits be the same, the next digit(s) will be used to break the tie.

G. As notification of non-attendance is received from elected delegates and/or alternates, advancement to alternate status and advancement from alternate to delegate status shall continue until the first business session of the national convention. On that date the final list of delegates and alternates will be established.

H. The number of alternates cannot exceed more than one-eighth the number of authorized delegates, unless a specific additional number is approved by a two-thirds vote of the delegates at the State Convention.

I. National Paid Delegates, to attend the National Convention as Delegates at Large, will be determined in the following manner:

1. The President shall serve as the Delegate at Large.
2. Other National-Paid Delegates shall be named in accordance with plurality of votes received.
3. In order for a delegate to attend the Convention as a National paid Delegate, he/she must be elected at the State Convention as a National Delegate.

J. Election will be in compliance with the National Constitution, Article VI Section 2.C

#### **Section 4. Compensation of state-paid National Delegates.**

A. The State President and State Secretary/Treasurer, shall attend the National Convention. They shall be reimbursed for their expenses at the same rate as that of the National Delegate at Large. However, if elected as a National Paid Delegate, only that allowance paid by the National Office will be authorized. If the pay for the National Delegate at Large, State President, State Secretary/Treasurer, and/or any National Paid Delegate is less than the delegate pay per Article VII.4.B, the greater of the two shall be in order.

B. Delegates and Alternate Delegates to the National Convention, who are not paid by National, shall receive ~~\$1100~~ **\$1500.00** provided:

1. They attend all scheduled business meetings and remain at the convention until all delegate duties are completed. Exceptions can be made with the approval of the State Board present at the

convention. If an exception is made, the State Board will have the discretion to prorate delegate compensation if deemed appropriate.  
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C. The State Member of the Year will be reimbursed at National Delegate pay, if he/she is not already a paid Regular or Alternate Delegate; providing he/she meets the requirements of Article VII.4.B.1.

## **ARTICLE VIII**

### **State Board**

#### **Section 1. Members.**

There shall be an Executive Board, (also referenced as State Board), consisting of the President, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, and the four member Executive Committee. Each of these Officers shall be entitled to a vote on every question coming before the State Board and the vote of each Board member be made a part of the minutes.

#### **Section 2. Duties.**

The State Board shall perform such duties as are prescribed in this Constitution as well as the following:

- A. Appoint an editor to maintain and distribute the "Florida Rural Letter Carrier" publication.
- B. Perform additional duties as assigned by the President.

#### **Section 3. Meetings.**

This Board shall meet upon the call of the President or a majority vote of said Board to the Secretary, when matters of importance arrive that need immediate attention during the interim between meetings of the Association. No member shall be denied the privilege of attending any meeting of this Board as a non-participating observer.

#### **Section 4. Honorariums.**

~~A. Members of the State Board shall be paid an Honorarium each time they attend a called Board Meeting. The Honorarium will be an amount determined by the Board each time a Board Meeting is held, or at its option, the State Board may set a predetermined amount for the Honorarium to be paid at each meeting. This amount shall be effective for the remainder of the~~

Association year, unless changed by majority vote. This Honorarium shall not be paid on days when an Officer is being paid per Article V.5.C.

**A.** The State Board, at its pleasure, may pay Honorariums to persons, other than active rural carriers, not to exceed the lessor of:

1. Actual hours worked at a rate not to exceed the hourly rate of ~~ADOP a Step 12 (Table 1) rural carrier~~, or:
2. A lump sum not to exceed \$200.00

## **ARTICLE IX Committees**

### **Section 1. Convention Committees.**

On the first day of each State Convention, the President shall announce the appointments from the list of elected delegates, then in the hands of the Secretary/Treasurer, a committee of three on credentials; a committee of three on auditing; a committee of three on resolutions, and a committee of three on constitution. The President shall announce the appointments of all other committees from the list of delegates.

### **Section 2. Special Committees.**

**A.** Budget and Finance Committee

1. The President shall appoint two members of a three member standing committee called the Budget and Finance Committee. The non-appointed member shall be the current State Secretary/Treasurer.
2. This committee shall prepare, annually, a proposed budget for the Association's fiscal year (July 1 through June 30).
3. The proposed budget shall be presented to the State Board prior to the State Convention for their review and approval.
4. Copies of the proposed budget shall be delivered to the delegates during the State Convention. Said delivery shall occur at the opening business session of the State Convention to ensure an appropriate amount of time for delegates to review the proposed budget.
5. The Convention Delegates will approve, amend, or disapprove the proposed budget by a simple majority vote.
6. The State Board may amend line item accounts during the interim period between State Conventions, as needed, to carry out the task of the Association's financial obligations.

## B. Auditing Committee

The Auditing Committee, appointed by the President, shall audit the financial records prior to the start of the State Convention. The Auditing Committee shall submit a report to the State Convention.

## C. Election Committee

**The President shall appoint four members to an Election Committee consisting of three members and one alternate. The Election Committee's primary responsibility shall be to assist in the preparation and mailing of the National Delegate Election materials, and to conduct the counting of the National Delegate Ballots in accordance with Article VII Section 3 of the FLRLCA Constitution. The Election Committee may be called on by the President to help in other election related duties from time to time.**

# ARTICLE X

## Appeals

A. A member aggrieved by any action of the state association and/or state association officer shall have the right to appeal to the State Board.

1. Appeals must be in writing and be filed with the State President within 30 days of having knowledge of said action.
2. Within 10 days of receipt of the appeal, the State President shall notify all members of the State Board and the assigned Executive Committeemen and shall request that the Charging Party provide a letter outlining the specific charges and any relief sought. This letter of specificity, along with complete documentation, must be returned within 20 days of receipt of the President's request.
3. Upon receipt of the letter of specificity, the State President shall forward a copy to the Charged Party for response. The Charged Party shall have 20 days to respond in writing and provide documentation to the State President.
4. The State Board shall review the Charging Party's letter of specificity, documentation, relief sought and the response of the Charged Party. The State Board is authorized, in consultation with the Executive Committeeman, to take the necessary action to resolve the issue within 30 days. Extension of this 30 day time limit, when necessary, shall not exceed 15 days. The Charging Party(s) and Charged Party(s) (hereafter referred to as the Party or Parties) shall be notified in writing of the decision of the State Board.

B. A Party not satisfied with this decision, or any other action of the State Board on said appeal, shall have the right to appeal to the National Board.

1. This appeal must be in writing and be filed with the President of the National Association within 30 days of receipt of the State Board's decision.

2. Within 15 days of receipt of an appeal, the National Board shall notify the National Appeals Commission. The President shall notify the State President and the Parties that the appeal has been received and forwarded to the National Appeals Commission.

3. Within 30 days, the National Appeals Commission shall investigate each appeal and report its findings and recommendations in writing to the National Board. Upon receipt of the findings and recommendations of the Appeals Commission the National President shall notify the Parties that the findings and recommendations are before the National Board. The National Board shall render a decision and notify the Parties in writing within a reasonable period of time.

C. A Party not satisfied with the decision of the National Board shall have the right to appeal to the next Convention of the National Association.

1. This appeal must be in writing and be filed with the National President within 30 days of receipt of the National Board's decision. The appeal, if received more than 45 days prior to the National Convention, will be scheduled for that Convention. If received within 45 days of the convention the appeal may be held until the following National Convention.

2. Within 15 days of receipt of said appeal, the President shall notify the Parties that the appeal has been received and shall be forwarded to a National Appeals Committee.

3. The Appeals Committee shall complete an investigation and report its findings and recommendations in writing to the Parties and to the President of the state association at least 24 hours before the report is presented to the National Delegates.

## **ARTICLE XI**

### **Parliamentary Authority**

The parliamentary authority of the State Association shall be Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised.

## **ARTICLE XII**

### **Amendment of Constitution**

The amendments to the FL RLCA Constitution shall take effect immediately, unless otherwise stipulated, and may be amended at any State Convention by two thirds of the votes cast.

Any article or section of this Constitution which requires amendment, due to amendment of the National Constitution by the vote of a National Convention shall become effective on the same date as voted by the National Convention.

All District Constitutions must be in harmony with the State Constitution. The District Association is auxiliary to the State Association and the State Association is auxiliary to the National Association. All must be in harmony.

This Constitution was reprinted to include all changes and/or amendments adopted at the State Convention of the FL RLCA, June 23, 24 and 25, 2016 at Safety Harbor, Florida.



## Florida Rural Letter Carriers' Association Presidents

M. P. King	Clearwater	1921
M. P. King	Clearwater	1922
E. L. Landon	Jacksonville	1923
D. U. Bloodworth	Gainesville	1924
J. H. Bratley	Miami	1925
G. T. Blanton	Tampa	1926
W. C. Bogue	Ocala	1927
R. C. Home	Marianna	1928
G. H. Seiler	Lakeland	1929
S. L. Jones	Lake City	1930
A. W. Tyler	Saint Petersburg	1931
E.W. Campbell	Pensacola	1932
E.W. Campbell	Daytona Beach	1933
Carrol B Emerson	Bartow	1934
W. B. Gittings	Ocala	1935
C .H. Chester	Tallahassee	1936
A.O. Dorsett	Gainesville	1937
Willard L. Manning	Panama City	1938
Hosea Albritton	Clearwater	1939
Fred H. Dreher	Saint Augustine	1940
Don E. Smith	Lake City	1941
Loy Carlon	Tampa	1942
E. B. Cason	Ocala	1943
H. J. McCully	Ocala	1944
J. J. Nicholas	Unknown	1945
L.C. Sweat	Orlando	1946
A. L. Stott	Clermont	1947
J. H. Thompson	Panama City	1948
Carl W. Moore	Vero Beach	1949
G. H. Gordon	Clearwater	1950
D. M. Thorpe	Jacksonville	1951
H. A. Bailey	Tallahassee	1952
Aubrey Arnold	Fort Pierce	1953
Thomas Tramel	Unknown	1954
Ralph Moody	Pensacola	1955
G. S. Zigler	Vero Beach	1956
G. S. Page	Vero Beach	1957
Z. J. Stanton	Ocala	1958
George M. Wiggins	Tampa	1959
Walter E. Lawing	Jacksonville	1960
Roland D. Harvey	West Palm Beach	1961
A. B. Moore	Tallahassee	1962
Jack Shuler	Pensacola	1963
Marvin Parker	Fort Myers	1964
Wallace Townsend	Orlando	1965
Russell L. Johnson	Gainesville	1966
William A. Dykes	Jacksonville	1967

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Hubert M. Roberts	Pensacola	1968
Arvid J. Peterson	Sarasota	1969
Robert M. Bewley	Miami Beach	1970
George E. Russ	Ocala	1971
Sam Carrick	Tallahassee	1972
Lyle G. Tougaw	Pensacola	1973
C. Reese Moon	Saint Augustine	1974
Marshall M. Roysden	Orlando	1975
G.C. Brock	Saint Augustine	1976
John D. Pederson	Pensacola	1977
Edward W. Warner	Fort Lauderdale	1978
Edward W. Warner	Fort Myers	1979
John W. Harrison	Orlando	1980
John W. Harrison	Pensacola	1981
Leonard Miller	Jacksonville	1982
Leonard Miller	Plant City	1983
Leonard Miller	Tallahassee	1984
James W. Bryan	Cypress Gardens	1985
Albert T. McMahon	Lido Beach	1986
Joseph T. Valla	Saint Augustine	1987
Joseph T. Valla	Orlando	1988
Troy C. Martin	Fort Myers	1989
W. Dale Gerrell	Tampa	1990
Ralph Adrian	Tallahassee	1991
Harold Lloyd Smith	Fort Myers	1992
Harold Lloyd Smith	Gainesville	1993
Joan Young	Ocala	1994
Joan Young	Fantasy Cruise Ship	1995
Harold Lee	Kissimmee	1996
Harold Lee	Fort Walton Beach	1997
Harold Lee	Fort Lauderdale	1998
Doris Howell	Ocala	1999
Doris Howell	Fort Myers	2000
Virginia Tharrington	Saint Augustine	2001
Virginia Tharrington	Jacksonville	2002
Dorothy Brooks	Ocala	2003
Dorothy Brooks	Hutchinson Island	2004
Dorothy Brooks	Tallahassee	2005
Patricia Holt	Inspiration Cruise Ship	2006
Patricia Holt	Sarasota	2007
Patricia D'Haem	Ocala	2008
Patricia D'Haem	Hutchinson Island	2009
Patricia D'Haem	Tampa	2010
Patricia D'Haem	Naples	2011
Patricia D'Haem	Pensacola	2012
Randall Cook	Key Largo	2013
Randall Cook	Jacksonville	2014

## Florida Rural Letter Carriers' Association Presidents

Randall Cook	Orlando	2015
Randall Cook	Safety Harbor	2016

## Florida Rural Letter Carriers' Association Hall of Fame

### Living Members:

Gus Baffa  
Joseph Valla  
Patricia Holt  
Debbie Williams

### Deceased Members:

John Harrison	Key Largo	2013
Bill Williams	Jacksonville	2014
Leonard Miller	Orlando	2015
Annette Read	Safety Harbor	2016

