

Guide to Evaluation of Council FIA Yearbooks at the 2026 Convention

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Councils attending the Convention with physical Books and digital books, along with Councils not Represented at the State Convention with Digital submissions will be evaluated on Saturday at the Convention. An upload space for the Digital Books is being thought out, we are hoping to have a site available prior to Convention but if not, they can be loaded onsite at Convention.

All Council submissions at the Convention will receive Name Tag ribbon for placement on name badge to honor the work done, we will provide enough Ribbons for 2 Delegates from each submitting Council. A Council level participation ribbon will also be awarded for every book, Hardcopy or Digital. District Deputies can provide the Council ribbon to a Council with submission not at Convention. Councils without DD but have authored a Book will be recognized on some set Honor system not yet determined.

Hardcopy and Digital books at the Convention will also be evaluated for FIA activities and a best in show award presented. One best of FIA winner in each Diocese. 5 winners of a Medal for placement on Columbian Award

Submissions of hardcopy or digital will be evaluated by DDs in Diocese grouping and the State Program Director. **Example:** DDs in Green Bay Diocese will evaluate Council submissions of the Green Bay Diocese only, with each DD having 1 vote of best FIA records documented.

DD's will be asked to have ability to scan a QR on mobile device or access the Digital book via any Browser. Borrow a fellow KC device if you do not have one. There will also be a couple Laptops available to use at the Book table.

Documented Council activities can be with or without 10784 forms. Activities can be listings or any documented method showing FIA activities done by the Council. We are asking that submissions include a page listing summary of Council Activities and Charities served in the year by the Council for quick evaluation.

Submissions with complete 10784's will be easy to apply vote.

Submissions with Ad Hoc records and other FIA records will be harder to identify but still valid to vote.

1 vote via signature in the DD Diocese (looking for 1 winner per Diocese)

Program Director votes in all 5 Diocese.

Submission with most Signatures is selected as Best Council of FIA activities for that Diocese. 5 winners - Milwaukee, La Cross, Green Bay, Superior, Madison.