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MIDWEST REGION MEETING MINUTES

ST. LOUIS, MO.

Midwest Region minutes of February 22, 2014 meeting in St. Louis, MO.

Those Governors in attendance were:

Yes (Y)

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MWR OFFICERS

Υ	MW Regional Executive	Larry Pagliaro
Υ	MWR Competition Director	Bill Docherty
Υ	MWR Membership Director	Diana Hack
Υ	MWR Treasurer	Nancy Bailey
Υ	MWR Secretary	Christine Reitz
Υ	MWR Webmaster	Joan Thomas

Guests in Attendance

Susan Pagliaro Carolyn Samuelson Gary Kelly
Janet Wilson Karen Crull Mike Arnold
Lee Douglas Jo Hoak Shannon Davis
Karla Richmond Cindi Murphy

Larry Pagliaro, RE called the meeting to order at 8:27 AM. Larry asked if everyone received an agenda and administrative schedule. Joan & Dave Heinemann had to leave this morning to go back home and care for Joan's mother. We will pay close attention to our schedule with the meeting time starting later today. Legacy Insurance will not be in attendance at this meeting to address insurance policy for NCCC. This topic will be addressed at the national meeting this afternoon. Larry did want to mention one major point regarding the insurance. Waiver requirements have been relaxed whereby only four situations require waivers which are: All sanctioned events. All non-sanctioned events if required by the Competition Rulebook. Any Non-sanctioned or Club sponsored event whereby the venue requires a Certificate of Insurance. All Club sponsored car shows for participants and workers. We then proceeded with introductions of those in attendance. Be sure to sign in on attendance sheet

Motion made by Arnie Bailey, 2nd by Jeff Craig and approved by all to approve today's meeting agenda.

Chris Reitz, MWR Secretary:

Chris reported that the meeting minutes for the November 2, 2013 Governor's Meeting were emailed to the region officers on November 17th and to the region governors on November 24th, 2013.

Motion made by Dave Murphy, 2nd by J.W. Weddington and approved by all to approve the November 9, 2013 Meeting Minutes.

Motion made by Bill Hoak, 2nd by Tom Kasten and approved by all to destroy the electronic ballots for 2014 region election.

Nancy Bailey MWR Treasurer:

Review of the MWR Fundraiser Autocross Finance Report for 2013. This will be revised by an additional expense of \$21.47 for a total profit of \$4,859.90. This is on par with previous years. Next we reviewed the Summary Report for 2013. The net result for 2013 is a loss of <\$1,653.14>. Please keep in mind this includes the purchase of the 1-Acre at the NCM first payment of \$3K and, that as discussed, it is our goal to slowly reduce the balance in the treasury. Next we reviewed the MWR Yearly Balance, Income & Expenses Report and Graph. Next we reviewed the Summary Report for 2014. Finally we reviewed the 2014 MWR Annual Financial Plan for 2014. The MWR will now not host the hospitality room until April 2015, so Nancy will make that adjustment to the 2014 Annual Financial Plan.

Motion made by Tom Reitz, 2nd by Jeff Craig and approved by all to keep the head tax at \$0.00 for 2014.

Motion made by Tom Reitz, 2^{nd} by Bill Hoak and approved by all accept the MWR Annual Financial Plan for 2014.

The 2013 MWR books were turned over to Dave Murphy for auditing. Dave will have his results of the audit at the April 2014 Governors Meeting.

Diana Hack, MWR RMD:

We are currently the largest region in NCCC with 2,179 members. The largest MWR club is Corvette Club of Illinois with 165 members. Pat Kelly, FCOA Director reported at the RMD meeting that Hal Bellamy has asked her to give a written report. Pat reported at that 100 FCOA members are turning 16 this year, which will age them out of FCOA. Pat wanted to stress the importance of getting these young people to remain as members to encourage the younger generation's participation in NCCC. Current address information is **very important** so that the cost of re-mailing items is not incurred by NCCC. Each RMD has a list of current FCOA members in their region. This list would be a good way to double check the addresses in your club.

Diana Hack, MWR RMD (continued):

If you are applying for an FCOA membership for a birthday, please be sure to give minimum 30-day time frame prior to the date of the birthday. Diana asked for the Governor's help by sending her a current club roster so she can make sure that the database and roster are the same. If you prefer to do that yourself, please just send Diana a note indicating this has been done. There is a standard membership form available on the database. The application **MUST** have the applicant's signature. This is vital to be able to keep our bulk mail rates for Blue Bars. If we were to lose this rate, it would double the price of distribution.

Gary Kelly clarified that all appointed officers will be submitting written reports for the national meeting due to the number of guest speakers scheduled.

Bill Hoak questioned the large amount of time it takes for the renewal process and the clearing of club member's checks. Diana indicated that she has to wait for all renewals to be processed before the checks are deposited to the bank. The region renewals are then submitted to National Membership. Diana requested that applications and checks be sent together to her. Also to please note in the memo portion of the check the last name of the applying member. Diana indicated that part of the problem is that there is not a bank location near her (more than 1-hour away) so that prohibits her from depositing checks in a 24-hour time frame. She can't deposit electronically because she would have to be a signer on the account. The MWR did lose one club for 2014 – Crow River Corvette Club did not renew. Bill Hoak also asked about the time frame for 2013 awards. Diana indicated that the email would be sent out next week for selection of sizes/colors etc.

Larry asked if all of the new Governors were comfortable using the database. Bill Hoak asked if there was instructions for the Governors. Diana indicated that there is a Governor User Guide and she would make sure that gets sent to all the Governors. Diana also said that if any new Governors had questions to please feel free to call her.

Dave Murphy said that he is currently locked out of the database. Diana is going to check into this situation. If this happens, just contact Diana and mail the information to her and she will get in entered into database.

Larry asked Diana to prepare a list of Governors from the database. The MWR had two families that were affected by the tornadoes in Southern Illinois, Mike & Karen Brian from Corvette Club of Illinois and Jim Butler & Catherine Rees from Mid-Illinois Corvette Club. Larry also told us that he believed that Joan Heinemann did request thru the charity committee that these two families receive the \$500.00 benefit to help with expense in rebuilding. Larry Pagliaro was able to confirm after the meeting that both families did indeed receive \$500.00 checks from the Charity Committee (Patrick Dolan).

MWR Standing Rule Changes:

We reviewed in summary the changes that have previously been emailed (see attached copies).

- 1. Voting Procedures
- 2. Voting Procedures Electronic Ballot
- 3. Non-sanctioned events. Governors will submit non-sanctioned events directly into database instead of paper form.
- 4. No change to wording, strictly a numbering change.
- 5. No change to wording, strictly a numbering change.
- 6. Remove all wording relating to website sponsors.

Motion made by Arnie Bailey, 2nd by Bill Hoak and approved by all to pass the above Standing Rule Change Requests.

NCCC Insurance:

FAQs for insurance have just been revised on the NCCC website. Tom Reitz mentioned that it would be a good idea to print out the Notice of Claim Form and keep with you for any events your club hosts. This form is available on the NCCC website. Waivers are also printed from the NCCC website. Jack Wilson, NCCC Business Manager is going to make a change that members should address insurance issues with their Governor and that the Governor would bring it to the Business Manager. If you as Governor do send a question to the Business Manager, please copy Larry Pagliaro on any correspondence. Jack Wilson will respond to all. When you are asked to be primary and non-contributory, you are the primary insurance. Non-contributory means no payments are made by other insurance until our benefits are depleted. This is an additional fee of \$50.00 and language is added by Legacy Insurance to limit this coverage to your portion of the event. Larry also brought up the issue of having minors at events. Clarification for minor waivers. If someone attending your event signs the minor waiver as the legal custodial parent of the child, it is assumed that they are indeed "legal custodial parent" by our insurance company. Jack indicated that having a sign-up sheet is neither a benefit nor detriment with regard to insurance. Again, all of these issues have been updated in the FAQs on the NCCC website.

Joan Thomas, MWR Webmaster:

Overview of where we are going with the NCCC email process. The way you receive information from NCCC is changing. There has been various email issues and Joan has been unable to determine the extent of the issues with bounce back emails from various carriers. The new system is currently in effect (see attached copy). Emails will now go to a box address and you will now have to go to that box to get that email. There will be no notice to you that there are items in your box, it will be your responsibility to go to your box periodically to check for emails. See the attached instructions to get to you club email box. This solution has been a work in progress since we became aware of the email issues last August. This is currently only for national emails and not for the Midwest Region. Once these changes are made for the region, the steps will be the same. Keep your box clean as there is not unlimited space in your box.

03-01-2014 MWR Webmaster POST MEETING NOTE: The MWR is now using the same new NCCC email boxes for MWR Communications. Using this option, there will only be one Go Daddy box to be check for messages.

Bill Docherty, RCD:

RCD Meeting: Dale Samuelson is the new VP of Competition. The RCD meetings will now be open meetings. If you do attend, please sit in the back of the room and do not address the meeting. Any issues should be addressed with your RCD prior to the meeting. Paul Hamersly volunteered to represent the RCD Committee on the Finance Committee. There will no longer be a National Google Calendar. The drag indexes have been updated. Two record drags will be hosted this year. The 2013 database standings were declared final. Two driving schools were approved for 2014. The rulebook changes will be reviewed that were started to be addressed last year. Dale is going to present a proposal to go to a 2-year Rule Book. A plan of action for updating the Rule Book incorporating the use of the database is on the agenda for this year. Indiana Region will be using the NCM Motorsports Park for a high-speed event in 2015. Bill brought up the subject of low attendance at high-speed events. To Bill it made sense to have some kind of points system for lapping days. This would help prevent clubs losing their date at tracks due to lack of attendance if they are forced to have lapping days in lieu of sanctioned events. Bill thought it could be setup similar to a PC Car Show (i.e. 3 points for attendance). Please email Bill with any thoughts on this subject.

Rulebook Change: Everyone must have the opportunity to win a rally. For example, if you are doing two poker rallies (a high hand and a low hand), two decks of cards must be used.

Final Point Standings 2014:

Ed Cassel is the Men's 2014 MWR Champion. 43 Men accumulated over 200 points. Linda Fairlamb is the Women's 2014 MWR Champion. 24 Women accumulated over 200 points. Windy City Corvette Club is the 2014 MWR Club Champion.

Bill's audit of the points indicated that what was in the database was correct.

Competition Database:

Please double check the information that has been entered in the database for your events. Please feel free to make any address changes required, but please notify Bill if changes are made. Please ensure the address is exactly the same for each event. Please notify Bill if any other corrections are needed. Bill will add events to the regional Google Calendar once he has received a flyer.

Fundraiser:

Will be held at Rantoul Airport again this year on the first weekend of October. Bill is asking for volunteers to be team leads for tech, registration, corner workers, food and cleanup. Bill will lead the setup. This is a regional fundraiser and we need to step up and volunteer to be team leads for this event. Nancy asked Bill if he needed a deposit for the airport. Bill indicated that once he completes the contract with the airport he would request a check from Nancy.

Larry Pagliaro, RE:

RE Meeting: One of the significant changes that you will notice is that you can now get an opinion from and/or recommendation regarding the proposed By-Law change on the floor. Allen Morris represents the RE Committee on the Finance Committee. Convention has 316 of the 400 seats on the boat cruise are taken. NCCC has \$637,000.00 in the bank.

Five By-Laws changes were proposed for discussion by the RE Committee. RE's will give feedback to Jim Walton between now and the April meeting to see if these will actually end up being proposed on the floor.

- 1. Out of Pocket Expenses for convention expense must be paid out of the convention fund. Profits from convention are divided 50/50 between the host club/region and national. In the past we have had conventions that did not have any proceeds, which creates a problem. The proposed change removes the requirement that out-of-pocket expenses must be paid out of the convention fund and will now allow it to be paid by national.
- 2. Bringing charges this will now document the proper procedure to follow.
- 3. No national elected officers will be eligible to hold an elected regional office as RE, RMD, RCD. Arnie Bailey questioned the fact that all elected and appointed positions are at all E-Board meetings and therefore this change should include appointed officers as well.
- 4. Term limits for appointed officers 1-year term with a limit of five terms. Discussion about a safety clause if no individual steps up to run for the appointed position.
- 5. National Officer appointments to put a process in place that the President and the Executive Board can make appointment and then brought to the floor for a vote for approval. If not approved by the Governors, then nominations will be taken from the floor. This vote will include proxy votes.

All five of these were received well by the RE's in principal.

Proxy Forms:

We have 15 proxies to turn in. We are missing five proxies, but four out of the five missing have Governors present at the meeting. Your proxies are important if you are not in attendance as they count as a vote from the region at the national meeting. Dave Murphy pointed out that it is in the Standing Rules that this is a requirement.

Member Passings:

Paula Ulreich – Northern Rays

Appointed Officers:

Joan Thomas is appointed as our webmaster for 2014.

Blue Bars deadline is February 28th, 2014

No governors meeting is required prior to the MWR Awards Banquet.

Deb Lindsey is planning on having more presence of attendance at Bloomington Gold in lieu of Corvettes at Carlisle this year. If you would like to volunteer to help in the NCCC display at Bloomington Gold, please notify Larry Pagliaro of your interest.

Old Business:

50 Registration for the MWR Awards Banquet had been received prior to this meeting. If you want to register today, Larry Pagliaro will take them.

Larry distributed copies of the 2014 Administrative Schedule (copy attached).

119 assigned numbers have been distributed this year in the MWR.

Arnie Bailey asked Diana if she had any idea as to what will be available for this year's awards. Diana indicated there would be a clothing item and another item to choose from. You will be receiving an email from Diana next week to select item, colors/sizes.

New Business:

Dinner plans for tonight – none were made ahead of time.

Dave Heinemann will be running for president of NCCC and would appreciate your support.

Gary Cockriel, NCM Motorsports Park:

Purchase of 1-acre at NCM Motorsports Park. A committee was established at the November Governors meeting and the committee submitted these questions to Gary Cockriel from the NCM Motorsports Park (copy attached of questions and answers). The Motorsports Park is an extension of the National Corvette Museum. Mitch Wright is the director of the Motorsports Park. If you have any questions please feel free to email Mitch at Mitch@corvettemuseum.org. Competition inspection rules – convertibles must have an SCCA Solo approved roll bar. Gary thought that low speed did not require a roll bar. Helmets required 2005 or newer SA Rated. OEM Seat Belts or 4 to 6-point harness. Passengers are only on touring laps. All rules are online at http://www.corvettemuseum.org/registration/sebrin/info.shtml. Our competition rules are accepted for our events. Timeline for payments to use the track – a contract will be sent out 10% due to lock in a date. Upon signed contract 15% is due. We can receive credit for payments previously made towards the 1-acre purchase. Once a signed contract is done, we will not be bumped from that date. Not sure about individual acre owners getting credit towards a groups track time. Subleasing of our weekend is acceptable. There is a \$100.00 cone rental. All other equipment regarding safety will be provided by the track. We can provide NCCC insurance or be a rider on NCM insurance. Overnight parking at the track is available with a \$200.00 per night security fee which will provide 24hour access. Cones can be setup the night before the event on the skid pad. Track open 7AM to 7PM. The track has AMB/My Laps timing equipment. There will be a place to plug in timing equipment once the control tower is built. The NCM is working with some sponsors: Michelin, Exon Mobil, GM Racing. The track is setup to run clockwise. All sinkholes have been located and fixed at the

Gary Cockriel, NCM Motorsports Park (continued):

Motorsports Park. The firm working on the NCM sinkhole will ensure that this is the case. Gary Kelly asked if the stipulation that the East track would not be rented unless the West track was rented. Gary Cockreil did not know the answer to that. Larry asked when we should be trying to lock in a date for 2015 when would we need to be working on that. Gary recommended tentatively scheduling a date now with Mitch. Track is run rain or shine. If some unforeseen circumstance prevents running, we would be given credit towards a different weekend.

<u>Motion was made by J.W. Weddington 2^{nd} Jeff Craig and approved by all to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 AM.</u>