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Future Midwest Region Meeting

- May 2, 2020
- September 12, 2020
- November 7, 2020
- February 20, 2021

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Group-"National Council of Corvette Clubs"



MIDWEST REGION MEETING MINUTES

ST. LOUIS, MO.

Midwest Region minutes of February22, 2020 meeting in St. Louis, MO.
Governors in attendance were:

Yes (Y)

<input type="checkbox"/>	MW-004	Chicago Corvette Club	Jon Kurtz
<input type="checkbox"/>	MW-051	Suburban Corvette Club	James Bodin
<input type="checkbox"/>	MW-054	Midwest Corvettes	Al Fiscus
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW-075	Wisconsin Corvette Club	Ed Cassel
<input type="checkbox"/>	MW-077	Glass Favorites	Mike Link
<input type="checkbox"/>	MW-084	Kettle Moraine Corvette Club	Dick Huibretgse
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW-109	Corvette Club of Illinois	Tom McKinley
<input type="checkbox"/>	MW-120	FOM Corvette Club	Curt Callies
<input type="checkbox"/>	MW-122	River City Corvettes	Charles Britten
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW-135	Northern Rays Ltd.	Dan Wagner
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW-155	Great River Corvette Club	Karla Richmond
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW-167	Northern Illinois Corvette Club	Jack Wilson
<input type="checkbox"/>	MW-195	Land of Lincoln Corvette Club	Sue Bohne
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW-246	Badger State Vettes, Ltd	Bruce Blunt
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW-277	Sunburst Corvette Club	Mike Stevens
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW-278	Central Illinois Corvette Club	John Hibbeler
<input type="checkbox"/>	MW-315	Corvettes of Minnesota	Don Gettinger
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW-351	Windy City Corvette Club	Dave Heinemann Sr
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW-378	Corvette Cruisers of Ill	Donald Huskisson
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW-380	Little Egypt Corvette Club	Tom Kasten
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW-391	Mid Illinois Corvette Club	Sandy Arnold
<input type="checkbox"/>	MW-464	Rolling Prairie Corvettes	Julie Finke
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW-465	Mad City Vettes	Joan Thomas
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW-470	Route 66 Corvette Club	Tom Reitz
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW-522	St. Louis Corvette Club	Jeffrey Craig
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW-575	Chicago Cross Roads CC	Chet Elion - proxy
<input type="checkbox"/>	MW-598	Brew City Corvette Club	Tom Muex
<input type="checkbox"/>	MW-613	Central Minnesota Corvette An	Lynn Steenblock
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW-999	Members-At-Large - Governor	Sandy Arnold

MWR OFFICERS

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW Regional Executive	Larry Pagliaro
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MWR Competition Director	Ray Bair
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MWR Membership Director	Sandy Arnold
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MWR Treasurer	Ray Tharp
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MWR Secretary	Jeanne Cassel
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MWR Webmaster	Joan Thomas

Guests in Attendance

Liz Huskisson	Joan Heinemann	Diane Wagner
Craig Wendl	Ruth Kasten	Pat Stevens
Carolyn Samuelson	Bill Mitchell	Janet Wilson
Shannon Davis (FOCA)		

Larry Pagliaro called the meeting to order at 8:30 AM. All present were introduced.

All were asked to mute their cell phones.

Approval of the distributed MWR Meeting Agenda was requested. Motion by Dave Heinemann, 2nd by Jack Wilson Stevens to approve today's agenda, unanimously carried.

Larry Pagliaro mentioned to the Governors groups that NCCC experienced an e-mail scam and 'hacking'. Scam e-mails were sent to Region Treasurers requesting payments. The 'hacking attempt' was caught. Region Treasurer's should validate all requests for payments.

MWR Secretary Report– Jeanne Cassel

All in attendance were asked to sign the Attendance Roster. Proxys were asked to also print their names.

Approval of November Region Meeting Minutes

The **November 8, 2019 MWR Governors Meeting** minutes were emailed to officers and governors on **November 30, 2019**. Motion to approve minutes by Tom Reitz, 2nd by Jeff Craig, Motion carried.

MWR Officer Election Ballots: Motion to destroy any Election Ballots by Jack Wilson, 2nd by Tom Reitz.

Convention Steering Committee:

Indianapolis 2020 is good. There are rooms available, if anyone is told differently by the hotel, hang up and call Convention Chair Butch DeWitt or Treasurer Betty Parks. Cleveland 2021 is moving along; and 2022 is in the works.

MWR Treasurer Reports – Russ Tharp– *the financial docs are included with minutes* **(Contact your Governor)**

Report on Treasury

- This is the first report of year and income is -0- as usual. The documents have been revised, now changes show up in **red**, and once approved they will be changed to black.
- Ray Blair explained some of the fundraiser costs. He has succeeded in getting the vendors to hold last year's prices. Ray arranged for the food truck saving \$500. The cost and benefit of providing T-Shirts for fundraiser participants was discussed, as was moving the T-Shirts to the October event. The 'fundraiser' goal is to bring in revenue to fund MW Region expenses. All items were reviewed. Options are to cut expenses or find funding. Decision was to hold and hope October Fundraiser prospects are better.

2020 Annual Financial Income and Expense Plan final review and approval

- The Financial Plan Budget and Actual documents were discussed in detail. Options and suggestions such as raising entrance prices to Head Tax to reducing expenditures were evaluated. Joan Thomas explained the advantage of the credit she gets from turning in used printer cartridges as it keeps operating costs down. A few items needed correction and a corrected document will be sent out. The Period and Year-To-Date Summary and Graph depicting our current position with respect to our financial history were reviewed. All financials were approved as discussed.

Annual Financial Audit Status – Tom Kasten

Tom Kasten's formal report:

During the audit of the checking account, the statements were compared to the ledger, the checks were compared to the receipts or invoices, and deposits were compared to income from sources of income. No discrepancies were found. The officers complete the required forms for reimbursement, and the receipts are attached. The budget plan is followed and most expenses come in under budget. The audit book includes all bank statements and deposit slips for the year as well as the ledger and budget plan. Thanks to Bill for preparing the audit book and the officers for taking care of the region's money.

Respectfully submitted, Tom Kasten, 1/15/2020

Thank you to Tom for handling the audit project.

On behalf of the Midwest Region Larry Pagliaro thanked Bill Docherty for his service as Treasurer.

MWR-RMD and St. Jude Ambassador Report – Sandy Arnold **Report from RMD meeting –**

Current NCCC membership is 17, 041 in 238 clubs with 368 MAL, and 373 Lifetime members. Midwest Region has 2.424 members in 29 clubs with 31 MAL and 26 Lifetime members. Corvette Club of Illinois is the largest club with 195 members. New MW Region club Central Minnesota Corvette Association (MW-613) in St Cloud has 48 members. We have added 95 new members since the 1st of January.

MWR membership and renewal report:

Sandy explained the renewal process:

1. Send the completed form to her by the renewal due date
2. Send in the check.

Thank you to all who sent renewals in timely. Unfortunately 50% did not get renewals in on time. Discussion commenced to start the renewal process in September so Governors can bring them to the November meeting. Unfortunately all Governors do not come to the meeting so that may not improve timely submission of renewals.

Membership cards were mailed yesterday. If not received in 4 weeks just let her know.

Sandy brought some extra Blue Bars – please take them.

May 14-15 is St. Jude's Drive.

The Data base isn't working with Chrome. Recommendation is to try a different browser, maybe fire fox. If you get a message from NCCC call Sandy.

Lifetime Members – We have 26 in the MW regions. If they are not active in clubs there isn't any way to know if anything about them. Recently returned Blue Bars were investigated and it was learned the 'lifetime' member had passed away some time ago. We need to follow up on returned mail on Lifetime members.

Sidebar – Shannon Davis – Director of FCOA: Shannon stopped in to let us know the new applications are available upstairs. So far for convention 2020 7 kids are registered for FCOA events.

MWR-RCD Report – Ray Bair distributed "M" classification chart and the [2-page Rulebook corrections](#) *handout is included with minutes.*

Report from the RCD Meeting:

The VP Competition position is under new management. Bill Docherty promises completion of outstanding work, revamping the rule book, cleaning up language, etc.

There is a proposal to permit 3-day weekends so a club could use the Thanksgiving Friday. Opinion was requested. This proposal would not affect the MW Region as it is after our season ends. Clarification request regarding flyer statements were received – if a club puts "pre-registered only" can they still take in walk-ins. The consensus/decision is "No". A club must adhere to what was stated on the Flyer.

RCDs discussed the "M" class - should separate classes for Grand Sport and M be created? Tire and brake advantages raise the question. Suggestion is to watch competition times. Ed Cassel said that is edging to SCCA's handicap factor method; and Diane Wagner mentioned the C6 to C7 issues. Ray said the general inclination is to leave 'M' Class alone for now. The M class will get bigger. Once the group grows larger, there may be sufficient ground swell to create an additional class. *See the attached 'M' class chart.*

- Assigned Number status: the new process is working well. We have 107 numbers issued, and 5 are new numbers. The current list is available.
- Rulebook Corrections: November rule book didn't have all changes/clerical error. *See included 2 page Rulebook corrections*
 - 2.7 correction retains the same wheel ranges as in the previous rulebook.
 - 1.4 and 7.5 corrections are changes intended to be implemented from last year. 1.4.4 is to provide sufficient time to judge a Concours car
 - 5.12 and 2.3 are safety issues
- 2020 Competition Event status: 256 events are planned for 2020; 249 are posted. Mad City is planning to provide 2 of their sanctions for events on Oct 3, our Last Fundraiser. May 9 & 10 is an event shift to Rantoul.

- Helmet sticker discussion: Mike Stevens has the 2020 stickers. Some were distributed to clubs hosting early in the year. They can go over the 2019 sticker or next to it – just make sure the sticker is on the left side so the starter can see it. Be sure to check the manufacture date. Some 2005 Snell may be OK yet this year. The helmet must be good for the whole year to get a sticker. There will not be any 2020 Snell helmets until October.
- Memorial Day Region Fundraiser status - Rantoul, IL MW Region event is the primary source of region income. Request for registration help - Joan Thomas volunteered to handle on-line pre-registrations. The food truck will be there Saturday & Sunday, For Monday Tom McKinley will take care of food.
- October Region Fundraiser status - Rantoul, IL event is progressing on time.

MWR-RE Report – Larry Pagliaro

Members who have passed since the last Governors meeting:

The following are repeated here as they were inadvertently not read at the September National Meeting.

Mid-Illinois Corvette Club

Michael Ball

Wisconsin Corvette Club Donna

Debra Abuya

Wisconsin Corvette Club

William (Bill) Miller

Report from RE meeting

- The insurance bills are paid.
- 2019 was a profitable convention.
- The IRS reduction in travel expense has been factored into the budgets
- Sponsorship is at \$45,000; Scholarship is at \$32,000.
- 320 registered for 2020 convention.
- E-mail scam was discussed at the beginning of the meeting.
- By Law changes – This last November was a challenge as the electronic balloting was not flexible and could not present the balloting in a way that the Governors could really use. The issues to be presented at the national meeting are fixes. Some questioned why they are even bylaw changes and not standing rules that don't require balloting. Larry Pagliaro reviewed the question for the governors.
- All Governors voted yes for these two:
 - Amend bylaws dealing with annual elections. Deal with fixing the balloting system later.
 - When NCCC members attend shows like Carlyle to market NCCC at the booth, they are eligible for travel reimbursement provided that member's participation is pre-authorized for the event.
- Article 9 – for eligible convention participants – add “Companion”
- There is discussion on the advisory need for an Immediate Past President beyond the currently prescribed 1-year term. The Parliamentarian will chair the RE Committee.
- Finance Committee – Remove Distribution Center Manager and Charity Committee Treasurer
- Electronic ballot – this talks about procedures.
- Remove 'absentee ballot' - all is now electronic.

This will all be discussed over the next meetings for the November meeting.

MWR topics

- 2020 Appointed Officer Selection: Joan Thomas volunteered for the Region Webmaster position. Show of hands showed Joan was approved unanimously. Thank you Joan.
- NCCC Standing Rule Update: (Completed above)
- Midwest Region Standing Rule Update discussion: This process is moving to a task list. All needed changes are taken care of.
- Region Recognition submissions? Larry reminded Governors to submit information about things members do for charity. He wants to include it in the Blue Bars region section.
- Blue Bars deadline is the 30th of November

Appointed Officer and Committee Reports - reported in prior sections

- MWR Webmaster Report –
 - Posting MW Region financial info on the website status - Joan Thomas reported that the goal of including financials on the website probably won't happen. The processes to hide links, names, addresses, etc. isn't simple, it is cumbersome. Budgeted funds for additional programs

and web services are non-existent. Our Financial Documents sent to Officers and Governors do not have any personal/critical information. A confidentiality need does not exist.

- Some website enhancements in the works.
 - The **History** page has been expanded to include **Faces, Memories & Region Blue Bars Reports through the years**. Each year will be expanded to include some *Blue Bars* articles about MWR Clubs and Members. Some of the years have been linked and “completed” backwards from 2019 back to 2014. 2020 has early year entries. Years like 2004 and 2005 are most complete. Each year will be included as time permits, and those “completed” will be expanded as information is discovered and/or presented. Joan now has a copy of every *Blue Bars* issue and they have been very helpful.
 - The website **Changes** tab now includes a link to **Recent Changes to the History Page**.
 - After receiving club event flyers RCD Ray Bair for approval, he sends them to Joan to post on the website. Please check website **Changes** to see when your Club’s Flyer is been added to the **Sanctions Schedule** and **Flyers**, or to the **Social Calendar**. It’s your Club’s event information; please check to ensure it is presented correctly.

Unfinished/Old Business

- Region Party status – **Larry Pagliaro**: Stephanie Morrill from National Corvette Museum will be a guest speaker – sharing changes and ‘what’s new’.
- Awards Committee Status – **Bill and Bev Docherty**: All awards are ordered. They expect a March arrival. All are paid.
- New Governor Lynn Steenblock for Central Minnesota Corvette Association has successfully tested website access.
- Review the Regional Admin Schedule – **Larry Pagliaro** – done
- Larry asked if we need a Governors Meeting at the Region Party – all responded “No!”
- Russ Tharp will send updated financial plans to all Governors.

New Business

- **Other** – none

Motion to adjourn by Dave Heinemann, 2nd by Jeff Craig; approved unanimously at 10:50 AM.

TURN ON CELL PHONES

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Cassel,
Midwest Region Secretary