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Future Midwest Region Meeting

May 1, 2021
September 11, 2021
November 13, 2021
February 26, 2022

Sheraton Westport Plaza Hotel
900 Westport Plaza Dr., Saint Louis, MO
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Reservations: 314-212-2134
Group-"National Council of Corvette Clubs"



MIDWEST REGION MEETING MINUTES

Virtual Meeting

Midwest Region minutes of February 27, 2021 VIDEO Conference
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 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	Bill Esicar
<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	Craig Wiendl
<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 type="checkbox"/>	MW-378	Corvette Cruisers of Ill	Donald Huskisson
<input 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 type="checkbox"/>	MW-575	Chicago Cross Roads CC	James Weddington
<input type="checkbox"/>	MW-598	Brew City Corvette Club	Tom Muex
<input type="checkbox"/>	MW-613	Central Minnesota Corvette An	Lynn Steenblock
<input 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 (sub)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MWR Membership Director	Sandy Arnold
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MWR Treasurer	Russ Tharp
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MWR Secretary	Jeanne Cassel
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MWR Webmaster	Joan Thomas
<input type="checkbox"/>	MWR Facebook Dude	Matt Waters

Guests in Attendance

Bill Docherty

Meeting Location – Go to Meeting Video Conference

Call meeting to order - Larry Pagliaro opened the virtual meeting link at approximately 8:45 AM; and called the February 27, 2021 MWR Governors Conference to order at 9:04 AM.

Conferencing protocol was followed. Use the “raise hand protocol” to signal the wish to speak and wait to be recognized. All to announce their name before speaking and speak at a slower pace and not talk over anyone.

- Attendees – Introductions/Roll Call of those attending via video and phone.
- All were asked to mute their phones.
- Approval of this meeting agenda was requested, and all approved with a show of hands.

MRW – Secretary & Treasurer Reports

MWR Secretary – Jeanne Cassel

The minutes of the January 9, 2021 video meeting of the Governors of the Midwest Region were e-mailed to all officers and governors on January 22, 2021. Motion by Joan Thomas, seconded by Mike Stevens to approve these minutes as sent was approved by all.

MWR Officer election ballots – approval to destroy ballots from the November meeting/election. Motion by Jack Wilson, seconded by Joan Thomas. Approved.

MWR Treasurer–Russ Tharp -*The three-page financial file is included with these minutes.* **(Contact your Governor)**

Not much has happened – we have had -0- income; and -0- expense.

- **Report on the region financials** – I/E Report, I/E Trend chart
- **2021 Financial Income and Expense Plan final review and approval.** All were reminded that any new expenses must come to the Governors for approval. All present approved the plan as presented.
- **Annual Financial Audit Status – Chris Reitz** completed the audit and said all was verified. The bank statement shows all is correct.

MWR RMD and St. Jude Ambassador Report – Sandy Arnold

- **Report from RMD meetings**
 - Membership cards were mailed the first week in February. If you have members who did not get their card or have incorrect information, please let me know A.S.A.P.
 - There were some issues including issues with Lifetime members cards as the longer number ran off the page. Steve Johnson, NCCC VP of Membership said he would send corrections to the printer the first week of March, but **I am requesting that Steve wait until the end of March to send membership card corrections for reprinting.**
- **MWR membership and renewal report**
 - As of February 26, 2021, the National Council of Corvette Clubs has 16,081 members. The Midwest Region has 28 clubs and continues to be the largest region with 2,291 members, including 40 MAL's, and 26 Lifetime Members. Corvette Club of Illinois is again the largest club in the region with 171 members.
 - When send membership applications, please send a Control Sheet along with the application and check payable to the NCCC.
 - Mike Stevens mentioned that Sunburst is looking at handling all membership renewals electronically. Discussion followed with a strong consensus that NCCC should move to electronic membership renewal and electronic signature.
 - Reminder that High-Speed licensure does not show on the membership cards as the renewal times vary. It would be a printer nightmare. The qualification information is available electronically.
- **Report of 2021 Governor and club changes**
 - Fass Glass did not renew.
 - Badger State Vettes Ltd – Craig Wiendl is new Governor.
- **St Jude Report**
 - The St. Jude Drive will be May 13-14, 2021. They are planning to drive to Memphis and parade through the campus. They are not planning to tour the hospital but hope to visit with some doctors. Further details will follow. For more information contact Robin Jones at rray9@comcast.net

MWR RCD Report – Chris Milewski (Ray Bair substituting) V,3-12-2021 of the [MW Region Schedule of Events](#) and the [2021 Assigned Speed Event Numbers](#) are included with these minutes.

- **Report from RCD meeting –**
- **MWR Competition topics**
 - Assigned Competition Number status – Number list attached. It was a little more complicated with the transfer to information to Ray, so he held the window open to make sure he received all the mailed in information.
 - 2021 Competition Event status was reviewed, schedule attached.
 - Helmet Sticker Discussion – National does not plan to do national stickers. Mike Stevens has the MWR stickers and will send to the club Governors that have the early events, holding some for later events. Be sure to check the manufacturing date on the helmets.
 - Memorial Day Region Fundraiser status in Rantoul, IL – all is OK.
 - October Regional Fundraiser status in Rantoul, IL – may need new venue, possibly Pekin airport.
 - Non-Sanctioned Events (how to propose, fees, flyers, insurance)
 - Non-sanction events can run if not in conflict with NCCC rules, e.g., safety requirements.
 - Non-sanctioned events we have charged for in the past include car shows where awards were given, autocross, and HPDE. We have not been charging for drive-outs, ars and coffee (no awards), and the like.
 - The club should contact the RCD, send him/her a \$10 check (\$10 for the whole day). Then the RCD assigns a non-sanctioned number.
 - Flyers should follow the NCCC format.
 - To apply for NCCC insurance certificate (strongly suggested), follow the regular NCCC format.
 - For a drive-out, while the assumption is that it is automatically covered, our insurance carrier is now asking for signed waivers for events. An “event” is when everyone in the club is invited.
 - Remember to send RCD signed waivers, electronic copy is preferred.
 - Russ should get a check for the awards rebate.
 - Rule book changes being considered were discussed. RCDs plan to vote on proposed Rule Book at the May meeting.
 - Lively discussion about vehicle type proposed/changes ensued regarding what constitutes legal steering wheel for Group 1, Group 2, and Race Prepared. Stock rules can hinder egress. When is stock not stock?
 - What constitutes a Corvette? Proposed rule is that the vehicle has to be recognized by either body or chassis (instead of both body and frame in the current rulebook). Should exhibition cars be in competition with Corvettes? Most thought the frame and body have to both be manufactured by General Motors.

Ray was thanked for stepping back in to help.

MWR RE Report – Larry Pagliaro

Member Passings to report – Governors, please remember to check current membership status. Below are the members who I reported to NCCC leaders that passed on from our region for the next Blue Bars.

- Mid-Illinois Corvette Club: **Craig Curry**, MW-391-0535
- Central Illinois Corvette Club: **Victoria Watt-Staten**, MW278-0133L
- Central Illinois Corvette Club: **Lavern (Vern) Endsley**, MW278-0134
- Badger State Vettes: **John Cliffe**, MW-246-0247.
- Central Minnesota Corvette Association: **Gerald Hansen**, MW-613-0024
- Wisconsin Corvette Club: **Urban Meloche**, MW-075-1140

- **Status of 2021 Proxy forms** – All is in good shape. When needed Larry scans the Proxies and sends them to Rita Robison casting votes for the region.
- **RE Meeting Report** – no meeting since last meeting – Denny Luther ran the meeting and did an excellent job keeping conversations focused.
- **MWR Topics**
 - 2021 Appointed Officer Approval – By a show of hands all present approved Joan Thomas to continue her work as MWR Webmaster. Thank you, Joan, for the work you have done and for again running for this position.
 - NCCC By-Law and Standing Rule updates –
 - Membership renewal date – Last year the date was moved to the November Governors Meeting date and this worked to allow the RMDs and the VP of Membership to have all information in a timely manner. The RE’s are proposing to allow the VP of Membership to identify the cut off date by the September meeting.

- Ballot issue – In the past occasionally errors have occurred in ballot set-up. It was decided more eyes should review ballot format to avoid errors. It was determined REs would be good reviewers.
- Patches for new first timers – continuing patches was discussed and debated. The decision was to no longer give out patches.
- If NCCC competition is cancelled for a complete year, it was clarified that regions could still hold events. However, national communication is needed to get the message to all clubs.
- Patches for top competitors – Larry shared that his poll revealed that 75% of clubs' no longer value patches. However, only 15 clubs or 17% of the MWR clubs participated in the poll.
- Midwest Region Standing Rule Update Discussion
- Region Recognition Submissions? Larry could use more submissions. The recognition should for members or clubs who do non-competitive type charity or social work. Larry thanked Craig Wiendl and John Hibbeler for submissions.
- Blue Bars submission deadline is the 1st of March.

Appointed Officer and Committee Reports

MWR Webmaster Report – Joan Thomas

For those who use the website please note Joan has not included a tentative schedule. She is waiting for the NCCC Database entries to be completed with the new information from today's schedule updates. She may put 'tentative' in a different color. There are some events such as car shows, etc. She will check for changes. Ed Cassel mentioned that Wisconsin Corvette Club's Checkpoint editor likes to add the short PDF format calendar into our club newsletter. A couple early Texas events have cancelled so all were reminded to check before traveling. Also reminded Governors to check their flyers on the MWR website to ensure all is accurate; and if there are revisions note 'revised copy' and what was changed.

NOTE: The Sanction Schedule was uploaded to the website on March 1st. The Short Form and Long Form PDFs are also linked.

Unfinished/Old Business

- Regional Party status – Not planned for in 2021.
- Review the Region's Administration Schedule – Larry Pagliaro. All is completed.

New Business

- Should we get together once more before May 1? Larry will check with Governors in early April to see if we should meet.
- Question was asked how many clubs are returning to in person meetings? The responses were across the board – some clubs have continued regular in-person meetings and some clubs went the 'virtual meeting' route. We have clubs that have cancelled all through April and some are starting to again have meetings. No consensus.

Motion to adjourn was made by Jack Wilson, seconded by Dave Heinemann, and approved by all. The meeting adjourned at 11:10 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Cassel,
Midwest Region Secretary

NOTICE: Watch for updates regarding the upcoming Governors Meeting in St. Louis on May 1.