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Future Midwest Region Meeting

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September 9, 2017
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February 24, 2018

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MIDWEST REGION MEETING MINUTES

ST. LOUIS, MO.

Midwest Region minutes of May 6, 2017 meeting in St. Louis, MO.

Those Governors in attendance were:

Yes (Y)

<u>Y</u>	MW-004	Chicago Corvette Club	Jon Kurtz
<u> </u>	MW-051	Suburban Corvette Club	Jay Randall
<u> </u>	MW-054	Midwest Corvettes	Mark Hermann
<u>Y</u>	MW-075	Wisconsin Corvette Club	Ed Cassel (P)
<u> </u>	MW-077	Glass Favorites	Mike Link
<u> </u>	MW-084	Kettle Moraine Corvette Club	Dick Huibretgse
<u>Y</u>	MW-109	Corvette Club of Illinois	David Crull
<u> </u>	MW-120	FOM Corvette Club	Curt Callies
<u> </u>	MW-122	River City Corvettes	Charles Britten
<u> </u>	MW-135	Northern Rays Ltd.	Vern Fagerberg
<u>Y</u>	MW-155	Great River Corvette Club	Bill Esicar
<u>Y</u>	MW-167	Northern Illinois Corvette Club	Arnie Bailey
<u> </u>	MW-195	Land of Lincoln Corvette Club	Sue Bohne
<u> </u>	MW-205	Crossed Flag Corvette Club	Larry Hickman
<u>Y</u>	MW-246	Badger State Vettes, Ltd	Bruce Blunt
<u>Y</u>	MW-277	Sunburst Corvette Club	Lee Douglas
<u>Y</u>	MW-278	Central Illinois Corvette Club	John Hibbeler
<u> </u>	MW-315	Corvettes of Minnesota	Don Gettinger
<u>Y</u>	MW-351	Windy City Corvettes	Susan Pagliaro(P)
<u>Y</u>	MW-378	Corvette Cruisers of Ill	Andrew Monson
<u>Y</u>	MW-380	Little Egypt Corvette Club	Tom Kasten
<u> </u>	MW-391	Mid Illinois Corvette Club	Sandy Arnold
<u> </u>	MW-464	Rolling Prairie Corvettes	Julie Finke
<u>Y</u>	MW-465	Mad City Vettes	Joan Thomas
<u>Y</u>	MW-470	Route 66 Corvette Club	Tom Reitz
<u>Y</u>	MW-522	St. Louis Corvette Club	Jeffrey Craig
<u>Y</u>	MW-575	Chicago Cross Roads CC	James Weddington
<u> </u>	MW-598	Brew City Corvette Club	Tom Muex
<u>Y</u>	MW-999	Member at Large	Shanon Davis

MWR OFFICERS

<u>Y</u>	MW Regional Executive	Larry Pagliaro
<u>Y</u>	MWR Competition Director	Bill Docherty
<u>Y</u>	MWR Membership Director	Shannon Davis
<u>Y</u>	MWR Treasurer	Nancy Bailey
<u>Y</u>	MWR Secretary	Jeanne Cassel
<u>Y</u>	MWR Webmaster	Joan Thomas

Guests in Attendance

Jo Hoak	Carolyn Samuelson	Carol Kurtz
Bill Hoak	Pat Kelly	Gary Kelly
Ruth Kasten	Janet Wilson	

Larry Pagliaro called the meeting to order at 8:30:45 AM. Larry asked everyone to mute their cell phones. All present were introduced.

Larry requested approval of the agenda he sent out.

Motion made by Tom Reitz, 2nd by Lee Douglas to approve today's agenda. Motion Carried.

MWR Secretary – Jeanne Cassel

Minutes from the February 25, 2017 MWR Governors Meeting were emailed to officers and governors on Friday March 17, 2017. They were published on the MWR website by our Webmaster Joan Thomas.

Motion requested to approve the February 25, 2017 MWR Governors Meeting minutes as published and posted. Motion made by Tom Reitz, 2nd by Jon Kurtz. Motion carried.

MWR Treasurer – Nancy Bailey – Financial pages are attached to the meeting minutes.

Regional Finances – I/E Report, I/E Trend chart

Nancy Bailey distributed the Financials and reviewed the material. The report is complete as of May 4, 2017. The I/E Summary Report February 26, 2017 to May 4, 2017 is a wash. The 2017 YTD through May 4, 2017 increase is due to registration income for MSP Fundraiser. Nancy will follow up on a few outstanding issues. The MWR Balance, Expense & Income reports EOY 2007 through May 4, 2017 was reviewed. It was noticed that 2016 went hiding from the document when 2017 was added. The numbers are correct. Fixed form appended with minutes.

MWR Checking Account Y2Y graph was discussed. Some expenses were questioned, mainly asking clarification about Motor Sports Park costs and worker costs and what is included in track fee. Goal is to keep a financial balance between \$12,000 to \$13,000 to keep MWR afloat and enable us to put on events.

Regional Party final report – Dave & Joan Heinemann and

Awards Committee Final Report Joan Heinemann & Mary Ann Bugbee

Joan Heinemann reported that it was a good party. She is awaiting some information from Mary Ann Bugbee to finalize the report. She will send a reminder note.

Annual Financial Audit results – Tom Kasten reported that our books are good. He reviewed all financial areas. Journal matches bank statements; receipts and invoices match up with checks and deposits. MSP is difficult but a good job was done on keeping books. Tom complimented the MRW officers as he found it easy to track the MWR financials. Nancy keeps good records. Larry asked for a confirmation e-mail.

MWR-RMD Report – Shannon Davis

RMD Meeting Report: Shannon Davis reported that as of 10:00 PM on May 5th overall membership is at 18,293. In 2018 membership cards will be electronic. As of the end of year, members will be e-mailed a copy of their Membership Card and High Speed Licenses. But the information will be available on line. E-mail addresses must be correct. On Friday night Shannon said he was told that if not correct – he, Shannon, will have to personally call each person. For missing spouse e-mail address insert the member's e-mail.

Membership cannot process the paperwork if they do not have a 'signed' Membership Application from each person. A club's membership committee or their Governor will need to ensure all is correctly submitted.

Amelia Workman worked with Walt Jenkins to build a *How to Book for Governors*. It's on NCCC website.

Governors are doing a good job getting club numbers on checks. Keep up the good work.

Joan Thomas asked about the renewal e-mail process to members who do not have a computer. Governors will need to print out renewals for those members.

Questions; There were numerous questions regarding new electronic Membership Card and the topic was revisited multiple times during this meeting as information from other meetings and sources was shared, and an on-line card example was shown. A summarization follows: Are the present cards acceptable – Shannon

said it is being discussed? Can Governors print cards for members – response is yes. Bill Docherty showed the on-line example and said the card will be viewable on cell phones. Is it the membership cards that will be mailed? What if someone takes a phone screen shot of the membership card and loses it? They can reprint? The on-line Membership card example shows the member's name, NCCC number and High Speed information – the High Speed indicator is only if you qualify. It was asked if Lifetime is listed. Ed Cassel asked if card/information is updated through the year if the qualification is during a year – answer given is yes. Currently we know for sure that the electronic Membership Card is printable and it is a work in progress

There is NCCC web site user guide under *Members Only*, under *Membership Database* is a *User Guide*. This brought up questions on how to access the NCCC web site, what is the Password, etc. Governors can share the User Name and Password with members. New User Names and Passwords are sent to Governors. Larry asked, what if a member does not have e-mail, does the Governor enter in own e-mail on the renewal and/or registration forms? Shannon will check.

Why no Auto-Banking? Shannon said this comes up on many RMD meeting. As there is a fee, maybe 3% for sender and 3% for recipient; how would NCCC pass along that fee on to clubs or members?

MWR Membership is 2,425 members in 28 clubs and 45 MALs but he just got 2 new MAL. Corvette Club of Illinois continues to be the largest in the region with 198 members.

Governors were reminded to fix e-mail addresses.

MWR-RCD Report – Bill Docherty

RCD Meeting Report: Dale Samuelson is a good RCD; he quickly gets through RCD meetings. Patches are ordered. May be here for Memorial Day weekend, or will be at Rantoul, or September's meeting. Convention update – High Speed events now allow 100 entrants with 3 runs each on the West Course at the track; Low Speed opened for 140 entrants with 3 runs each. There will be opportunity to walk the Low Speed track on Tuesday, probably later in the day. Tech will be Sunday and Monday only. Fastest Time of Day language was discussed. Previously to be a class for FTD there had to be 2 entrants per class. This language seemed to have disappeared. This will be discussed at future meeting. Four rule book change requests were discussed. (1) To allow Friday Sanctioned Events. Vote was no. Friday is used as a travel day; Friday Sanctioned events would limit attendees to local area participants. (2) Current rule is a car is limited to 2-men and 2-women participants. Recent event had 1 NCCC man and 2 guest/non-NCCC men for total of 4. Request was to allow unlimited guests. Concerns expressed were the 5-car-in-between-run policy; hot tires gave advantages; overheating gave disadvantage. Bill Docherty recommends retaining 4 drivers max. Tom Reitz said driving guests builds enthusiasm and brings in dollars. 'JW' Weddington asked about the policy on changing cars. Car swapping is allowed if the driver's car breaks. (3) A cosmetic word change to replace the word "race" with autocross or similar terminology where appropriate is being done. (4) Can Group 1 cars swap race for street tires for safety reasons when it rains and back if rain stops. Consensus now is that a swap can be made once in a day, and the car needs re-tech. Question is, Are these cars still in Group 1, or are they now in Group 1 Street? Hoosier rain tires stay in Group 1. Issues are: the car must be in the lowest class it qualifies for; if rain does not last for the whole day can they change back; does a Saturday change affect the Sunday event? Tire swapping for events is observed, and typically not re-teched. At Conventions, folks change tires for different events, rally, autocross, etc. It is questionable if a re-tech is done. These topics are all up for discussion at future RCD meetings.

NCM Motor Sports Park Fundraiser Status: There are 35 pre-registered. This is half the event maximum. Pre-register date was extended to May 15th - walk-ins are allowed. Corner workers are provided by the track. Shannon needs starting and staging help. Bill Docherty needs Friday Tech help. Saturday and Sunday are OK. Volunteers were Bruce Blunt, Bill Esicar and Jeff Craig. Bill reminded Governors they voted for this event. It is an expensive trip to work, but a good place to race. Because of the Go Kart track location car

trailers will be parked further down but can be left overnight. It was mentioned that next time there won't be track time to use up. Since we won't have track next year we need to market this as "come have good time". **Open Forum:** Having a fundraiser in the region makes more sense. Rantoul is open for Memorial Day 2018 for a 3-day event. Using/renting the Autobahn in Illinois was discussed; cost is over \$6,000 for the track and \$2,000 for the skid pad. It is hard to recoup track fee. Larry Pagliaro mentioned Goebel's/East Tennessee would like the RCDs/Governors to partner and lock in and hold the date/time slot for NCCC for 2018 and future, irrespective of track time, for other clubs to use. Question asked, What should we do for 2018 fundraisers, should there be 2 or 1? If Memorial Day is a fundraiser should it be 3 days? Joan Thomas said Mad City can give their sanctions to use. Events benefit everybody - it eliminates the head tax. Bill Esicar brought up using of club members as corner workers versus hired workers. Equipment needs were discussed. Arnie Bailey brought up event flyer clarity and gave the example of "walk-on's welcome" versus "pre-registration" – does that mean folks can come to events even after the preregistration cut-off – as 'walk-on's'? Bill Docherty will update the Fundraiser flyer. Walk-ons are more common in good weather.

Question asked, "What do we do for 2018?"

Motion by Joan Thomas: MWR do two 2018 fundraisers, 3-day Memorial Day and a 2nd event TBD; both held within the MWR. Bill Docherty to contact Rantoul and hold dates. Lee Douglas 2nd. All approved.

Larry Pagliaro asked about (1) Majestic Star Casino Hammond Indiana. SCCA runs there and it may be a possible site. Larry will check on site availability. (2) Status of the Parkland College situations. John Hibbeler explained that Parkland's board is set up by attorneys and there were question on how our NCCC insurance plan would cover the Workers' Compensation (WC) of the Parkland employees. Their employees do set-up for us and it was believed our insurance would not supply WC for their employees. Because of the tight frame and low pre-registration it was thought it best to cancel the event at the school. Suggested we should not try to explain our insurance policy to the school or other facility prospects. We need to connect our insurance carrier/agent with the site boards. Lee Douglas mentioned they had a similar situation at McHenry and had received a letter from Legacy Insurance that explained our plan would not provide Workers' Compensation to the facility employees, and this solved the issue at McHenry.

Some clubs have dates with "location TBD". Wisconsin Corvette Club events are still "location TBD". It was asked if the WCC could get an exception to the time notice parameters if we can find a location. The flyer notice deadline was restated. Option is to put out a temporary flyer.

October Region Fundraiser Status: There will be an October Fundraiser.

Break – Following the break the Annual Financial Audit results were presented and are under MWR Treasurer Section. A reminder was made to all to sign in on the attendance sheet.

MWR-RE Report – Larry Pagliaro

Larry Pagliaro reported that a member had passed since our last meeting.

Larry announced that at the NCM Holley Tower a plaque lists donor names. Pat and Garry Kelly showed the pictures they took of the MWR's name on the plaque. As a One Acre Club Member the MWR recently received a framed "deed" to the acre and a special belt buckle. Gary Kelly volunteered to pick up the belt buckle and to model it at the Governors meeting.

Establish the 2018 Officer Nominating Committee: In addition to Chairing the MWR Nominating Committee, Tom Reitz is the NCCC Nominating Committee Chairperson. Jon Kurtz volunteered to help.

Report from RE Meeting: Pat Kelly, Director of FCOA reported she is still getting old forms even though the form was changed in 2011. Unfortunately the old form price is \$5; the new form shows \$10. The wrong form with wrong payment necessitates requesting an additional check. Please use current forms.

Debbie Lindsey, Director of Sponsorship presented an opportunity for NCCC to receive an increase in economic sponsorship support and for members to receive benefits during the year via up to 2 e-mail advertisements/ solicitations per year from a vendors such as BF Goodrich. Ed Cassel asked if this would be special offers to NCCC members or just a piece of general advertising. Joan Thomas mentioned Michelin Tires and a possible e-mail blast to governors up to 4 times a year, but some discussion said it could be up to 14 pieces/ e-mails in a year. The e-mail blast could be restricted to come only through MWR or NCCC systems direct – not the vendor/sponsor direct to the NCCC members. Consensus – we are open to vendors coming through NCCC. There is an opt-out ✓ on the NCCC database. Larry Pagliaro asked if there was a show of support for vendor communication only through NCCC. All approved.

The by-law change presented in February to allow more than one person from a club to be a national officer and failed is being resubmitted. The resubmitted motion limits the number of national officers from the same club to two (2) members. Tom Reitz said passing this will help the Nominating Committee get candidates.

Financials – Income outlook is good. This year there are 28 Scholarship applications; and 21 scholarships are planned to be issued (or it may be ‘qualified’). Bowling Green Convention has 580 registered and Debbie Lindsey is getting in sponsorship income.

Blue Bars deadline is May 31st: Reminder to keep writing articles. Our region is good at submitting articles.

Appointed Officer and Committee Reports

MWR Webmaster Report – Joan Thomas – The MWR website is mw@mrregion.com <http://www.mwregion.com/>. Joan mentioned every day she checks the NCCC web site for new information. Only one MWR to NCCC link remains and by checking the ‘changes’ that are posted under the “Changes” tab on the main page she knows what changed. Changed flyers were discussed. It was suggested that flyer changes should be clearly indicated on the flyer, i.e., a changed preregistration date highlighted in some way. Revised flyers are always linked. Governors can easily keep themselves up to date. Governors should remind members of the “Changes” tab on the website. It includes sanctioned and non-sanctioned events. Shannon Davis reported that there is a hotel set up for Motor Sports Park – the Super 8 by the Museum and it is not on the flyer as this governors meeting. Those registered to run event will receive hotel information. Send any website suggestions to Joan – she will try them. Bill Docherty suggested separate links for non-sanctioned and sanctioned events.

Unfinished / Old Business

Review the Regional Admin Schedule: Larry Pagliaro reviewed the January through August schedule. Open or in-process issues are Nominating Committee and the MWR submitting Blue Bars articles. Administration duties will pick up in September. The nominating Committee will submit officer nominations. We will need to appoint a Teller Committee and need an Awards Committee Chairperson. Bill Docherty will walk through the draft of the 2018 year plan. Bill Docherty asked for anyone who has any date changes to see him before the September meeting.

Other: - No topics for discussion.

New Business

Other:

General comments Jon Kurtz said we [those at the meeting] spend a lot of time racing. He is the only one in his club. He sees clubs with no interest in racing and asked is there any way to get their representation, to

foster involvement of those who do not race. How do we keep them involved? Bill Docherty mentioned that Corvette Club of Illinois provides food for the October Fundraiser and other event to enable CCI to fund their charity. They do not have an interest in points or racing. Non-speed events were mentioned, Wisconsin Corvette Club, River City Corvettes in La Crosse and Minnesota clubs put on rallies and members rally. When Governor Meetings were in Louisville they were region focused. But not being at the Governor Meeting here does not mean the club is non-supportive. 'JW' mentioned he is not involved in 'racing' he does drag racing and car shows. It was asked how to draw more to NCCC – The insurance is a draw. Pat Kelly mentioned that years ago the region had big social events – drive-outs to the Dells, Go Karting. There was interaction between clubs. Mini-Convention was suggested. Corvette Adventures does a mini-like convention with rallies, Concours, track runs, road tours – but would MWR folks drive up to the Dells? Wisconsin Corvette Club and others have contacts and the area is a possible event site. Carol Kurtz said there are 22 Chicago area corvette clubs, and she has talked with folks and some didn't know MWR or NCCC existed. Windy City has a person who checks the calendar and looks at all events to let folks at the meeting know what is available and promotes attendance. All is not just autocross events. Arnie Bailey suggested clubs consider a Social Director or a Non-Competition event director. Some groups join other groups for drive-outs. Suggestions included communicating and promoting interclub activities. The MWR Memorial Day weekend is a track day and tours – it is like a mini convention. Lee Douglas suggested integrating a rally with an autocross – as a stop, run a lap, and then continue rallying. Ed Cassel showed Wisconsin Corvette Club's upcoming event flyer – it is rallies promoted as a cruise. Bill Docherty mentioned reaching out with social drive-outs to other clubs. Gary Kelly pointed out that Brew City joined NCCC because Kellys and Badger State visited Brew City car shows. Joan Thomas shared that Mad City works the Johnsonville Brat Fest car show and all proceeds go to "Cars Curing Kids". Larry suggested a "follow me" approach to get momentum going.

Joan Thomas is looking for the 1st issue of Corvette News. She wants to scan the copy and can return it. Joan also turned over to John all their extra Blue Bars. Give him any back issues, and pass on back issues to the membership.

Lee Douglas reminded all of the St Jude's drive-out over Columbus Day Weekend. The kids sit in the cars.

Dinner Plans? John Hibbeler reported that no specific dinner plans were arranged.

Motion made by Arnie Bailey and 2nd by Tom Reitz to adjourn the meeting. All approved at 11:18 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Cassel
Regional Secretary