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Future Midwest Region Meeting

- September 12, 2020 - virtual
- November 7, 2020
- February 20, 2021
- May 1, 2021

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Group-"National Council of Corvette Clubs"



MIDWEST REGION MEETING MINUTES

Virtual Meeting

Midwest Region minutes of August 8, 2020 interim meeting.

Governors in attendance were:

Yes (Y)

_____	MW-004	Chicago Corvette Club	Jon Kurtz
_____	MW-051	Suburban Corvette Club	James Bodin
_____	MW-054	Midwest Corvettes	Al Fiscus
_____ Y	MW-075	Wisconsin Corvette Club	Ed Cassel
_____	MW-077	Glass Favorites	Mike Link
_____	MW-084	Kettle Moraine Corvette Club	Dick Huibretgse
_____	MW-109	Corvette Club of Illinois	Tom McKinley
_____	MW-120	FOM Corvette Club	Curt Callies
_____	MW-122	River City Corvettes	Charles Britten
_____ P	MW-135	Northern Rays Ltd.	Diane Wagner
_____ Y	MW-155	Great River Corvette Club	Bill Esicar
_____ Y	MW-167	Northern Illinois Corvette Club	Jack Wilson
_____	MW-195	Land of Lincoln Corvette Club	Sue Bohne
_____ Y	MW-246	Badger State Vettes, Ltd	Craig Weindel
_____ Y	MW-277	Sunburst Corvette Club	Mike Stevens
_____ P	MW-278	Central Illinois Corvette Club	Rod Finke
_____	MW-315	Corvettes of Minnesota	Don Gettinger
_____ Y	MW-351	Windy City Corvette Club	Dave Heinemann Sr
_____	MW-378	Corvette Cruisers of Ill	Donald Huskisson
_____	MW-380	Little Egypt Corvette Club	Tom Kasten
_____ Y	MW-391	Mid Illinois Corvette Club	Sandy Arnold
_____ Y	MW-464	Rolling Prairie Corvettes	Julie Finke
_____ Y	MW-465	Mad City Vettes	Joan Thomas
_____ Y	MW-470	Route 66 Corvette Club	Tom Reitz
_____ Y	MW-522	St. Louis Corvette Club	Jeffrey Craig
_____	MW-538	Fass Glass	Ed Travis
_____	MW-575	Chicago Cross Roads CC	James Weddington
_____	MW-598	Brew City Corvette Club	Tom Muex
_____	MW-613	Central Minnesota Corvette An	Lynn Steenblock
_____ Y	MW-999	Members-At-Large - Governor	Sandy Arnold

MWR OFFICERS

_____ Y	MW Regional Executive	Larry Pagliaro
_____ Y	MWR Competition Director	Ray Bair
_____ Y	MWR Membership Director	Sandy Arnold
_____ Y	MWR Treasurer	Russ Tharp
_____ Y	MWR Secretary	Jeanne Cassel
_____ Y	MWR Webmaster	Joan Thomas

Guests in Attendance

Gary Kelly	Chris Milewski	Bill Docherty
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Meeting Location – Go to Meeting (conference will open at approx. 8:45am)

Larry Pagliaro opened the virtual interim meeting at **8:45am**, and called the MWR Governors Meeting to order at 9:05 am

Attendees – Names of those attending via video and phone were announced.

The conferencing protocol was followed. The “raise hand protocol” would signal the wish to speak, and waiting to be recognized. All present to announce their name before speaking, to speak at a slower pace, and not talk over anyone.

Secretary – Jeanne Cassel

The minutes of the June 27, 2020 virtual interim meeting of the Governors of the Midwest Region were e-mailed on Monday July 13, 2020. Motion by Bruce Blunt, seconded by Jeff Craig to approve the minutes of the June , 2020 meeting as sent. All approved.

Treasurer – Russ Tharp - *The three financial pages are attached to these minutes (Contact your Governor)*

Report on the Treasury – The Annual Financial Plan 2020 (aka 2020 Annual Budget), MW Income/Expense (aka Period Summary and YTD Summary through 8/8/20), and the MW Spending Trend Graph (aka MW Income/Expense Graph) were reviewed.

Russ reported that if we don't spend we will probably be okay.

RMD Report – Sandy Arnold

Report from RMD meeting

- Renewal Process Due Date November 7th. Please share with your club that Membership Renewals are due to me by November 7, 2020.
- Memberships can be held during August (or late July) and Governors may enter those members into the Data Base on 9/1/2020. Each Governor has the choice to hold or not hold – NCCC doesn't force a Governor to hold memberships in August, but recommends doing this so that those new members will not pay again during the normal renewal period in the fall.

As expected, the NCCC membership has not increased as it usually would during this time period. As of August 1, we have a total of 17,724 new/renewed members compared to 17,098 in February. Since January, 2020 the MWR has added 189 new/renewed members. Last year the Midwest Region had 2,252 members.

There have been a few clubs questioning whether to renew their NCCC membership for 2021. Please encourage your club to not leave NCCC simply because of this one difficult period of time that everyone is suffering through. The cost of membership is minimal and our insurance is still valid, clubs are participating in some activities and need the insurance; this is just a rough patch in the road. The NCCC also does not plan to issue refunds of 2020 membership dues.

This too will pass. We will recover and hopefully be back to normal by the first of the year, and possibly before.

RCD Report – Ray Bair *Notes on proposed Competition Rule Changes for 2022-2023 Rulebook [are attached](#) .*

- Report from RCD meeting
- MWR Event status
 - We had rallies and points are posted. Ed Cassel mentioned the Wisconsin Corvette Club September 19th event rallies are fine. Joan Thomas will update the calendar to show it is 5 events.
 - October Region Fundraiser status
 - This will be the region's last 2020 event. Possible cancelation was discussed. Insufficient participation and difficulty getting workers is a concern. Ray proposed cancelling the Fundraiser. Costs and finances were discussed. Indiana/Grissom was taken into consideration as they have had good turnouts. McHenry required strict adherence to guidelines and that was good but posed concerns. Rantoul has been running events. October is a long way off, and things can change. Larry Pagliaro shared the attendance info from at his rally, and shared participants concerns. He has heard that folks think

COVID-19 will not end soon. Theoretically we could wait till the September 12th regular Governor's meeting and make a decision then. It was recognized that we all want to get together, but there are concerns. Each Governor present tried to project how many entrants they could bring considering they would also have to work, and estimated 12 or so. While timing may not be an issue we would need to restrict area around the timing vehicle. Final suggestion was to hold till the pre-registration cut-off and if there was insufficient attendance to cancel the event then. There was a call for a vote of Governors present to determine the viability of the Fundraiser in the COVID environment. We had 13 governors in attendance. The vote did not pull a majority; the Fundraiser will be canceled.

- Things to consider going forward:
 - Tire Rack is allowing Sunday only (with Monday holiday) events. Inside restrooms are not open.
 - For the 2021 Sanction Schedule Ray will shift the 2020 dates using the pre-COVID schedule for the 2021 planning meeting discussions.
 - Convention schedule for 2021 dates are needed to set the schedule. Currently, the date might not be finalized.
- 2019 patches for 200 points, etc. will be mailed to governors. Anticipate a budget expense of \$25 to \$30.
- Joan Thomas suggested we consider using our stock of 2020 helmet stickers for 2021, thus saving the cost of changing to a different sticker. This suggestion will be put on the September agenda.
- 117 people paid for Midwest Region race numbers in 2020, but they could not use them. It seems ethical to carry those numbers over into 2021 at no cost. Let's have a proposal at the next Governor's meeting.
- 2022-2023 proposed Competition Rule Book changes.

Our current NCCC Rulebook applies to 2020 and 2021. However, the RCDs have already received 7 formal requests for rule changes and an eighth one is in preparation. If adopted by the RCDs and the NCCC Governors, these changes would impact the 2022-2023 Rulebook. Some proposals are pretty significant, and we discussed them in our region meeting. Ray and RCDs vote on them Sept. 11.

Attached is a summary of the rule changes proposed, along with a little background on Time Trials (TT). TT is not common in our part of the country. Note that this is a summary and not the verbatim text of the proposed rules. The summary should be easier to read.

- The Time Trial – The proposal is to run multiple events during each session –counting each lap time. There was an insurance related question as one TT session could be perceived to be wheel-to-wheel, which our insurance currently does not cover outside of a drag strip event.
- For the “Other Proposed Rule Changes” – Governors present voted:
 - NO - to 2020-R4 as it does not appear to be even for clubs in all regions – it appeared to favor ‘fair weather clubs’.
 - YES to setting the maximum number of sanctioned events to 5 in same day (including judged Concours). Comment made is our current limit of 3 Concours penalizes those who hold Concours.
 - NO to 2020-R5, 2020-R6, 2020-R7 as the current formula is beneficial for smaller clubs.
 - YES to 2020-R1 to permit sanctioned events on Friday after Thanksgiving.
- Don Gettinger proposed a rule change for the RCDs to discuss. Following is a summary of the proposal.
 - (1) Adopt the SCCA rule for Helmet dates, current and two previous Certifications (for next year that would be Snell 2020, 2015, and 2010). Perhaps NCCC would want to stick with SNELL M and SA and just get rid of the "10 year" limit.
 - (2) Adopt SCCA UTQG 200 minimum tread wear level for Group 1S tires. Currently, NCCC limit is UTQG 110. Current UTQG 200 tires are very well developed and reasonably affordable in a variety of sizes.
- Frank discussion on the region competition season considering all of the event cancellations. **Larry Pagliaro** – More and more clubs are cancelling events, or the venue is cancelling them. The question posed was, should we cancel the 2020 competition season. It may not be possible to get 200 points. At the September meeting we will consider what to do with the 2020 regional points and awards, e.g., the top 15 and club awards.

RE Report – Larry Pagliaro

- Member passing's since the last Governors meeting.

No information on the passing of any members was received.

Governors and Officers are asked to please let me know of any members who have passed on since the May 2020 national Governors meeting. We will ask this again before our regularly scheduled September Governors conference.

Elaine Heretta, Blue Bars Editor, is getting ready to publish the next issue. Members who have passed are recognized in Blue Bars. Elaine has asked that we all verify that members who have passed on are current members. It is not possible to list and print every person who has been an NCCC member.

- No By-Law updates have been received from NCCC. If and when any are Larry will forward the information on to the Governors.
- 2021 Officer Nominating Committee report – **Committee Members**
Committee Chair Tom Reitz thanked Dan Wagner for his help. Chris Milewski will run for RCD; for all the other positions the incumbents will run again for their current positions. Joan Thomas asked Chris to provide a his bio and picture. Joan also asked all the incumbent candidates to send updated bios and a picture for the website's "Meet your 2021 MW Region Committee Members" page.
- Ed Cassel asked if there was any status on the FOCA Tire Raffle that was started in Spring/May. Who won the tires? There are ticket buyers who would like to know who won. Larry will follow up on the status. (note: Larry has followed up with Dale Samuelson and Jim Walton and as of 8/26 there is no updated information)

Appointed Officer and Committee Reports

- MWR Webmaster report – **Joan Thomas**
 - Joan mentioned that going forward she would like to add a "Meet Your Governors" page to our website.
 - Remember, the MW Region website's **Changes** tab will help keep you and your club members up to date on what is going on. Check it often.

Unfinished/Old Business

- Other – **All** – No unfinished business

New Business

- September National Governors Meeting status – Cancelled
- Larry suggested we continue to hold region meetings to keep us viable. He will send a communication out to all if and when something is scheduled.
- The next planned Region Governors meeting is scheduled for Saturday, September 12th at 9am

Motion to adjourn was made by Joan Thomas, seconded by Dave Heinemann and approved by all. The meeting adjourned at 11:20 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Cassel,
Midwest Region Secretary

NOTICE:

**The September National Governors Meeting Scheduled for St Louis is cancelled.
September 12th 9:00 AM Region Governors meeting will be virtual!
RE Larry Pagliaro will send the Agenda and meeting/access information to Governors.
Watch for the e-mails!**