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MIDWEST REGION MEETING MINUTES

ST. LOUIS, MO.

Midwest Region minutes of Sept 13, 2013 meeting in St. Louis, MO.

Those Governors in attendance were:

Yes (Y)

<u> </u>	MW-004	Chicago Corvette Club	Don Schmitt
<u> </u>	MW-051	Suburban Corvette Club	David Juhl
<u> </u>	MW-054	Midwest Corvettes	Ron Myers
<u> Y </u>	MW-075	Wisconsin Corvette Club	Dave Murphy
<u> </u>	MW-077	Glass Favorites	Lyman Johnson
<u> Y </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	Gene Larson
<u> </u>	MW-122	River City Corvettes	Charles Britten
<u> </u>	MW-135	Northern Rays Ltd.	Patrick Lopardo
<u> Y </u>	MW-155	Great River Corvette Club	Francis Richmond P
<u> Y </u>	MW-167	Northern Illinois Corvette Club	Arnie Bailey
<u> </u>	MW-195	Land of Lincoln Corvette Club	Sue Bohne
<u> Y </u>	MW-205	Crossed Flag Corvette Club	Larry Hickman
<u> Y </u>	MW-246	Badger State Vettes, Ltd	Gary Kelly, Proxy
<u> Y </u>	MW-277	Sunburst Corvette Club	Matt Waters
<u> Y </u>	MW-278	Central Illinois Corvette Club	John Hibbeler
<u> </u>	MW-315	Corvettes of Minnesota	Don Gettinger
<u> </u>	MW-333	Lakeside Corvette Club	Ray Clark
<u> Y </u>	MW-351	Windy City Corvettes	Dave Heinemann
<u> </u>	MW-359	Chippewa Valley Corvettes	Peter Klug
<u> Y </u>	MW-380	Little Egypt Corvette Club	Tom Kasten
<u> Y </u>	MW-391	Mid Illinois Corvette Club	Jim Butler
<u> </u>	MW-464	Rolling Prairie Corvettes	Cynthia Finke
<u> </u>	MW-465	Mad City Vettes	Todd Mcilwee
<u> Y </u>	MW-470	Route 66 Corvette Club	Tom Reitz
<u> Y </u>	MW-522	St. Louis Corvette Club	Jeffrey Craig
<u> </u>	MW-538	FASS Glass	Randall Clark
<u> </u>	MW-565	Crow River Corvette Club	Justin Rude
<u> </u>	MW-575	Chicago Cross Roads CC	JW Weddington
<u> </u>	MW-578	Ozaukee Corvette Club	Wayne Richter

MWR OFFICERS

<u> Y </u>	MW Regional Executive	Larry Pagliaro
<u> Y </u>	MWR Competition Director	Bill Docherty
<u> Y </u>	MWR Membership Director	Gary Kelly, Proxy
<u> Y </u>	MWR Treasurer	Nancy Bailey
<u> Y </u>	MWR Secretary	Christine Reitz

Guests in Attendance

Joan Heinemann	Susan Pagliaro	Carolyn Samuelson
Dale Samuelson	Janet Wilson	Karen Crull
Bill Esicar	Shannon Davis	

The meeting was called to order by Larry Pagliaro, RE at 8:01 AM. Larry asked attendees to retrieve the handouts from the table if they have not done so and to put their cell phone on mute. Introduction of those in attendance followed.

Motion made by Larry Hickman 2nd by Arnie Bailey and approved by all to approve the agenda for today's meeting.

Larry said discussion at the hospitality room about the start time of the MWR meetings. It was decided that the November meeting would still start at 8:00 AM and that starting with the February meeting, the meeting will start at 8:30 AM.

MWR Secretary, Chris Reitz:

Minutes from the 4/27/13 meeting were emailed to the Officers 4/29/13 and to the Governors on 5/6/13.

Motion made by Gary Kelly, 2nd by Larry Hickman to approve the meeting minutes from the April 27, 2013 meeting.

MWR Treasurer Nancy Bailey

We started with review of the MW Region Year-to-Date Summary Report (copy attached). Larry Pagliaro asked Nancy to provide information on the change in revenue due to no head tax being charged in 2013 for the November meeting. Next we reviewed the 2013 MWR Annual Financial Plan Actual vs. Budget (~~copy attached~~) (Contact your Governor to review copy). Bill Docherty will contact Nancy regarding getting a check for expenses that must be prepaid for the Fundraiser at Rantoul. Next we reviewed MWR Yearly Balance, Income & Expenses (~~copy attached~~) (Contact your Governor to review copy).

Motion made by Larry Hickman, 2nd by Tom Reitz to approve the Treasurer's Reports as reviewed.

MWR RMD, Diana Hack

Diana wanted to thank the Governors for all their work on membership on behalf of their clubs. Reminded that if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact her via email or by cell phone.

Discussion at Friday night's RMD meeting about how each region is working on keeping their membership numbers up and reported the following ideas.

- Packets at local dealerships to be given to customers purchasing corvettes
- Keep your club website updated
- Make sure your club website is linked to the region website, especially for items such as convention
- Clubs giving workers more points than the 2 that is given nationally
- Club business cards
- Regional Officer business cards to direct people to the regional website to find a club in their area

On the database, there is a little box that says "Blue Bars Soft Copy" which will likely never be in effect. Diana asked for this box to be removed.

MWR RMD, Diana Hack (continued)

On the NCCC Application Forms, there is a full page application form available for use. Diana requested that the full page forms would be best to use as it contains all of the information that she requires as RMD, specifically phone number and/or email address for members. Dave Murphy asked if lines could be added for Primary and Spouse cell phone numbers and email addresses.

Larry Hickman asked for a copy of the complete list of governors including phone numbers and addresses. Larry Pagliaro has mentioned that we put the Governor roster to be distributed quarterly on the Administrative Schedule and asked Diana to adhere to this schedule. Arnie Bailey mentioned that the last Governor's list he received was dated 3/31/13 and that list did not include addresses.

One thing we **MUST** have is a signature on the membership forms. We can be audited at any time by the USPS and this is required as proof that we are meeting our periodical quota. The form is thrown out if there is not a signature on it.

Renewals: It's that time of year again. Dates to remember: the database will be closed down from October 7th thru October 15th to setup for renewals. All renewals are due to Diana no later than November 30th. The database will be down again on December 15th for one week for closing the renewals. By December 15th, your database renewal screen needs to be totally cleared out. Tom Reitz asked if members joining after September 1st would receive membership packets prior to renewals. Diana mentioned that there are very few 2013 membership cards left. Larry Higgins was not at the RMD meeting last night, so she did not have a definitive answer to this question.

Diana mentioned that we are losing a lot of the FCOA members that are turning 16 (the MWR lost 31 FCOA members this year). There is a Youth Membership available with fees the equivalent of a spouse member. The idea to send out a letter to the members turning 16 to encourage the youth membership was discussed. Diana is going to draft a letter to send out to these individuals. This letter will be sent to the address of the primary member who signed up the FCOA member. Dave Heinemann asked when the rule changed that a FCOA or youth member didn't have to be related to the primary member. Gary Kelly looked in the Bylaws and it does say it must be the same mailing address as the primary member. John Hibbler asked for clarification if NCCC Bylaws state must be a relative or only have same mailing address. Gary Kelly reiterated that it was just the same mailing address. Page 5 of the Bylaws defines "Youth Membership". Dave Heinemann asked what membership status these FCOA members turning 16 would fall under if they are not related to the Primary Member. Jim Butler asked if a Youth Membership had to be a former FCOA member.

Bylaw changes that affect membership coming up on the floor at the National meeting: when does a member become a member? It is when the Governor enters the information into the database.

Larry Pagliaro asked if we knew of any new Governors for next year. Jim Butler indicated Mid Illinois Corvette Club would have a new Governor and Francis Richmond will be the new Governor for Great River Corvette Club.

MWR RCD, Bill Docherty

The class change was revisited at the RCD meeting. Paul Hack did a summary of competitor classes from 2012 ([see attachment](#)) .

The overall reason for these class changes is to increase competition. Indiana, Michigan, Southwest and Midwest Regions voted against these proposed changes at the RCD meeting. Six regions voted for the proposed changes and 2 regions abstained. Paul Hack will make the full presentation at the national meeting and it will be voted on at the November meeting. The issue of class conflict with drag racing was not addressed.

Dave Heinemann voiced his opinion that this may lead to a decrease in competition and be demoralizing for those competitors that only come out to one or two events a year and are lumped into one class with the regular racers.

Bill reviewed the proposed Rulebook changes matrix ([see attached](#)) .

“Primary non-contributor rider” puts NCCC as primary insurance and site insurance secondary. This is not allowed. NCCC is secondary to site insurance. Gary Kelly asked how a site knows they are primary and NCCC is secondary. Review of the current Certificate of Insurance.

Bill has requested an SOP change for requesting non-sanctioned events, since individuals can go directly into the database for this request (see attached). The NCCC Business Manager does recommend that we get non-sanctioned events (i.e., parades or other high public participation events) entered to ensure coverage of NCCC insurance. The \$10 fee only applies to competitive events.

Bill prefers event results still be submitted to him in the Excel Spreadsheet current version that is downloadable on the region website and he will submit to the database.

Tom Reitz asked how to get to another regions database and was told that in the address shortcut for our region change the MW at the end of the address to the two letter abbreviation for the region you want to look at.

Gary Kelly asked if the database could sort differently for rally and car show events so that the first place person is listed at the top instead of the bottom. Matt Waters asked if dates could be added to the results. Arnie Bailey indicated this was already discussed with Walt and will be addressed.

Bill requested that rallies be scored starting at 100 and deducting from there for incorrect answers. Bill also asked that tie breakers be scored in less than whole increments because the database has a problem with ties.

It is imperative that member's information is correct in the database for results. Bill asked if there were guidelines about how to enter suffixes. Larry Pagliaro indicated that this would be a discussion for the RMD Committee.

Rulebook needs to be modified to address the requirements of the database.

Database and excel points program are in agreement after the 2nd Competition Points Audit

MWR RCD, Bill Docherty

Bill thanked everyone for the permanent numbers information being listed on the flyers. The old head tax form should still be used for requesting assigned numbers for that event. John Hibbler asked that the flyer for the region fundraiser should reflect the requirement of checks being made payable to NCCC Midwest Region. Subway sandwiches will be supplied on Saturday at Rantoul.

2014 MWR Competition Schedule Worksheet was emailed to all governors. Bill pointed out that Convention prohibits events on Labor Day weekend this year. Please email Bill with confirmation of your scheduled events for next year, which will make the sanction meeting run more smoothly.

Discussion about club weekends being grandfathered in to the Labor Day weekend if they cancel their events this year due to convention. The SOP's indicate this is the case for holiday weekends but not for other weekends.

MWR Webmaster, Joan Thomas

Please inform Joan Thomas of any changes in club governor and/or region officers so that the regional and national website can be updated.

Have your club webmaster double check that the links on your site are to current links from the region or national website. You can go back as far as 2008 to obtain flyers and schedules from previous years on the region website.

Joan mentioned that her club, Mad City Vettes, is hosting their first sanctioned event next weekend.

Renewal is the time to make any name changes in the database if a member doesn't like the way their name appears.

MWR Regional Executive, Larry Pagliaro

Larry Pagliaro asked for the names of any members that have passed away since the last meeting: Mike Jensen, Northern Rays and Frank Catenacci, Route 66 Corvette Club.

Arnie Bailey passed around a postcard their club is utilizing to recruit members.

Report on the RE Meeting. Doug McMahon was in attendance and discussed the use of the NCCC tables at events. The cost of these tables is budgeted at \$7000.00 for two years. It was requested that our logo be done in some contrasting color to make them more noticeable. Good comments have been received on the new NCCC banner.

Hal Bellamy stopped in to discuss the National Corvette Museum and that the museum will be seeking membership and donations from affluent persons. No success in marketing naming rights for the museum's motorsports park.

There is a rumor that convention made between \$20 and \$25 thousand dollars this year.

Financial budget is going to be presented at the national meeting today and be sent out to the governors following. November is the deadline for voting on the budget. If the budget does not pass, it reverts to the current budget.

MWR Regional Executive, Larry Pagliaro

Larry wants to encourage region clubs to submit for the newsletter competition. Electronic versions of newsletters will be accepted this year. Competition will be limited to 50 submissions.

Proposed NCCC Bylaw Changes will be discussed in detail at the national meeting today. Larry emailed all of the proposed changes to the governors prior to the meeting. A summary of the changes was made available at the meeting ([see attached](#)). Item Number 3 on this summary has been pulled. Clarification was discussed as to what extent an Enthusiast Member can affect the organization. The wording mimics that of the Associate Member. An Enthusiast Member cannot vote, cannot hold office. The RE's have determined that next year more specific definition will be given to all member status.

Electronic e-polling was used for the decision of the region purchasing an acre at the National Corvette Museum Motorsports Park. Polling indicated a positive response to the purchase. Gary has one acre reserved for us until we had this vote. Tom asked which of the two types of purchases this proposal is for. One is tax deductible and the other is "buying" track time. Gary was not sure how much track time this consisted of. A group is treated like an individual with regard to the benefits of purchasing an acre.

Dave Heinemann remade a motion that the MWR purchase one acre at the National Corvette Museum Motorsports Park for an annual cost of \$3,000 per year for five years, 2nd by Dave Murphy and approved by all governors in attendance.

Unanimous approval was given from the governors to hold the sanction meeting at the November regional governors meeting.

A "mock" electronic vote was done for region officers.

MWR Officer Elections

Tom Reitz, on behalf of the nominating committee, reported that only the incumbents were running for each regional office. Larry is asking for approval to update the Standing Rules for electronic balloting ([see attached](#)). In drafting these, Larry tried to mirror how national addresses electronic balloting. Larry proposed to leave the manual balloting in the SR's for at least a couple of years while we transition to electronic balloting.

Unanimous approval was given by the governors in attendance to use e-ballot for region officer elections for 2014.

A teller committee was established to be the RE, the Secretary and one Governor (Matt Waters) and will meet Friday evening to review the ballot results.

Facebook, Matt Waters

Matt asked if anyone had a problem with him denying friend requests to people requesting from other countries. All said no as they would likely be for advertising.

New Business:

Diana Hack will be chair of the MWR Awards Committee for 2013 awards.

Larry reviewed upcoming items on the administrative scheduled between now and the next meeting.

Dinner plans for Fire House subs in Chesterfield Missouri for this evening immediately following the national meeting.

John Hibbler mentioned that dinner plans for the November meeting will be back at the Crystal Ball Room in Staunton IL.

Motion made by Larry Hickman,, 2nd by Arnie Bailey, approved by all to adjourn meeting at 11:25 AM.