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**Future Midwest Region Meeting**

November 7, 2020  
February 20, 2021  
May 1, 2021  
September 11, 2021

Sheraton Westport Plaza Hotel  
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Phone: 314-878-1500  
Reservations: 888-627-7064  
Group-"National Council of Corvette Clubs"



# MIDWEST REGION MEETING MINUTES

## Virtual Meeting

Midwest Region minutes of September 12, 2020 VIRTUAL Meeting.  
Governors in attendance were:

Yes (Y)

<u>Y</u>	MW-004	Chicago Corvette Club	Jon Kurtz
<u>    </u>	MW-051	Suburban Corvette Club	James Bodin
<u>    </u>	MW-054	Midwest Corvettes	Al Fiscus
<u>Y</u>	MW-075	Wisconsin Corvette Club	Ed Cassel
<u>Y</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	Tom McKinley
<u>    </u>	MW-120	FOM Corvette Club	Curt Callies
<u>    </u>	MW-122	River City Corvettes	Charles Britten
<u>Y</u>	MW-135	Northern Rays Ltd.	Dan Wagner
<u>Y</u>	MW-155	Great River Corvette Club	Bill Esicar
<u>    </u>	MW-167	Northern Illinois Corvette Club	Jack Wilson
<u>    </u>	MW-195	Land of Lincoln Corvette Club	Sue Bohne
<u>Y</u>	MW-246	Badger State Vettes, Ltd	Bruce Blunt
<u>Y</u>	MW-277	Sunburst Corvette Club	Mike Stevens
<u>    </u>	MW-278	Central Illinois Corvette Club	Julie Finke
<u>    </u>	MW-315	Corvettes of Minnesota	Don Gettinger
<u>Y</u>	MW-351	Windy City Corvette Club	Dave Heinemann Sr
<u>    </u>	MW-378	Corvette Cruisers of Ill	Donald Huskisson
<u>    </u>	MW-380	Little Egypt Corvette Club	Tom Kasten
<u>Y</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>    </u>	MW-522	St. Louis Corvette Club	Jeffrey Craig
<u>    </u>	MW-538	Fass Glass	Ed Travis
<u>    </u>	MW-575	Chicago Cross Roads CC	James Weddington
<u>    </u>	MW-598	Brew City Corvette Club	Tom Muex
<u>    </u>	MW-613	Central Minnesota Corvette An	Lynn Steenblock
<u>Y</u>	MW-999	Members-At-Large - Governor	Sandy Arnold

### MWR OFFICERS

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

### Guests in Attendance

Chris Milewski                      Pat Kelly                      Gary Kelly

## **Meeting Location – Go to Meeting (conference will open at approx. 8:45am)**

Larry Pagliaro opened the virtual meeting at 8:45 am, and called the MWR Governors Meeting to order at 9:03 am. All were asked to mute their phones.

**Attendees** – Roll call was taken of those attending via video and phone were read and 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 August 8, 2020 virtual interim meeting of the Governors of the Midwest Region were e-mailed on Thursday August 27, 2020 to all officers and governors.

Motion by Mike Stevens, seconded by Bruce Blunt, to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2020 meeting as sent All approved.

Convention 2021 – I have not received any Convention 2021 meeting news. Joan Thomas reported that the NCCC website Convention section was updated, and this update has been referenced as New Info and on the MW Region website under the ‘Changes’ tab .

**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.

Two checks were written as depicted on the Period Summary section. Nothing much is going on. Next meeting we will do Budgets and it is anticipated that not much will change from 2020. We do need to check for any contracts that may require renewal. A few weeks before the November meeting we will send a notice to governors letting them know we will walk through all at the November meeting. The budget gets approved at the February 2021 meeting.

Russ was commended on the good job he has done. Jeanne was thanked for updating the trend graph.

## **RMD Report – Sandy Arnold**

Report from RMD meeting - After my RMD meeting Sunday, September 13, 2020, I will send a packet with instructions for renewal. If you (governor) do not process your renewals, please get this packet to your membership director. Renewals are due to me by November 7, 2020.

## **Dates to Remember**

- October 15, 2020 – Database closes
- October 17, 2020 – Database reopens for RENEWALS
- December 8, 2020 – Database closes to Governors
- December 15, 2020- Renewal Deadline.

Since June we have added 44 new members:

- 25 New Primary members
- 17 New Spouses
- 2 New Enthusiasts
- As of September 11, 2020 there are 240 clubs in the NCCC with 17,846 members.
- MW Region has 29 clubs and 2,489 members; and the Corvette Club of Illinois is the largest club in our region with 198 members.

MALs (Members at Large have been mailed their renewals. Many renewals have already been returned.

**RCD Report – Ray Bair** *The 2021 Sanction Event draft schedule [is attached](#)*  
Report from RCD meeting

The RCDs met last night (Sept 11, 2020). MWR Event status

- MWR Event status – We have a few events to the end of the year.
  - Sept 14<sup>th</sup> – Suburban Corvette Club of Minnesota has a Drivers School and Lapping Day.
  - Sept 19<sup>th</sup> – Wisconsin Corvette Club has 5 sanctioned rallies.
  - Sept 20<sup>th</sup> – Corvettes of Minnesota has a Low Speed Autocross.
- Carryover of 2020 Competition Numbers to 2021 – The suggestion to carry over the completion number from 2020 to 2021 was discussed in detail. Motion was made and seconded and a vote taken. Four of the governors opposed the motion, one governor abstained. Since the vote was so divided further discussion ensued. It was suggested charge “1/2 price” next year. Dave Heinemann moved and Tom Reitz 2<sup>nd</sup> a motion to “Continue the program as is with a 50% reduction for the year 2020 for those who had bought 2020 numbers – of Governors present, 7 approved, 1 abstained and 3 voted no, Motion Approved. Mike Stevens moved we withdraw the 1<sup>st</sup> motion, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave Heinemann. Seven approved, motion passed.
- 2022-2023 proposed Competition Rule Book Changes. No decision was made at the last meeting.
  - Almost half the changes proposed from clubs wanting to make high-speed events more viable because costs keep going up and participation keeps going down.
  - Regarding the rules designating that clubs who host events receive 100 points – flat amount, Ed Cassel mentioned that Lauralynn Southworth from Wisconsin Corvette Club suggested that if clubs can gain additional points based on number of entrants, the change should be amended to include additional points based on workers for the host club. Concerns alluding to ‘gaming the points system’ were also discussed.
- Discussion on the region competition season considering all the event cancellations and MWR Standing Rule 4.2 Awards
  - This season we did learn how to run events safely. Governors should think about how their club might operate. Perhaps an Auto Show or Rally. Clubs are also doing things like Drive-outs.
  - NCCC is considering region rebates – the smallest will probably be \$156.
  - For 2020 there will be offered the availability of region award patches.
  - Question for the November meeting will be – what do we want to do about 2020 Awards Party?  
We should think about this in advance of the Budget meeting.
    - The COVID impact in 2020 was discussed. Suggestions included considering 2020 did not exist.
    - Motion made by Tom Reitz and seconded by Michael Stevens to cancel region awards and patches for 2020. All approved.
- 2021 MWR Competition Schedule Worksheet review – Ray presented a preliminary 2021 schedule based on 2020 grandfathered dates and then pointed out some changes due to Holiday and Convention dates. A few clubs made changes and swapped dates. The updated schedule with these changes is included with these minutes. Any requests for date changes should be sent to Ray.

**RE Report – Larry Pagliaro**

- Member passing’s since the last Governors meeting. Please check their current membership status.
  - Dean Bohne - Land of Lincoln Corvette Club
  - Tony Jokerst - St. Louis Corvette Club
  - Elise Akins - St. Louis Corvette Club
  - Greg Crawford - Corvette Club of Illinois
  - Mary Shook – Badger State Vettes
- By-Law changes. Larry had been hoping to have information on the proposed By-Law changes Kathy Brisbois is working on. Larry sent the list of what the E-Board is to be considering this afternoon. Kathy is to send Larry information on what gets presented. A lot of the changes are clean up and aligning processes. David Heinemann suggested not putting the By-Law changes on the November ballot and to shelve them for now as he believes Parliamentary procedures require a discussion. While some discussion has occurred, full discussion on the final package has not happened.

[Follow-up: Larry has reported that at the September 12, 2020 E-Board Meeting the By-Laws were discussed. Determination was to ask RE's opinion on posting the By-Law changes to the website instead of physically presenting them versus holding all changes until next year. Opinion is strong to post the proposed changes. All will be able to review all proposed changes on the NCCC website at least 21 days prior to voting. As mentioned a number of times, the majority are clean up and maintenance. The Governing By-Law is ARTICLE XV – Amendments, Section 2. Advance Notice]

- 2021 Officer Nominating Committee report – Committee Members: **Tom Reitz** asked if there were any nominations from the floor and/or any volunteers. Hearing none Tom announced that the slate of elected officers is closed and includes returning incumbents: RE-Larry Pagliaro, RMD-Sandy Arnold, Region Treasurer-Russ Tharp, and Region Secretary-Jeanne Cassel, and Chris Milewski is running for RCD. All are unopposed. Larry suggested that Ray and Chris connect to start the transition as soon as possible.
- Blue Bars articles were submitted timely to Elaine Heretta.

### **Appointed Officer and Committee Reports**

- MWR Webmaster report – **Joan Thomas**
  - Changes to the national website include updated information for the 2021 convention
  - For the Officer Candidates Page Joan wants bios and possibly a picture from each candidate. Joan will post on the changes page when the Candidates page is live.
  - Reminder that we have a Social Calendar. Put club social events there. Show we are active.

### **Unfinished/Old Business**

- Larry will let Bill and Bev Docherty know 2020 awards are canceled per the motion and vote. They had volunteered to handle them for us.
- Other – **All** - none
- September National Governor's Meeting Status – Cancelled

### **New Business**

- Question posed if we need an interim meeting between now and November and if so, what are the suggested dates. Decision was made to wait and see if we feel an interim meeting is needed.
- Question asked of governors, "How are clubs handling club meetings"? We learned that our clubs are very creative – there have been: backyard meetings or at homes meeting, meetings in park pavilions, local restaurants and/or bars, satellite hook-ups at bars for those who don't/cannot attend in person, clubs using ZOOM, continuing at normal restaurant meeting site, etc. Attendance varies from 30 to 70% of membership which can be 24 to 40-45 people. Clubs are actually having prospective folks attend and getting new members. Mad City has signed up 17 new members since COVID started. NOTE – some clubs have food and beverages at the meetings, and all this is with social distancing.
- Larry mentioned the Teller Committee to count ballots for the November election. Traditionally the electronic file is opened in the hotel lobby in the presence of a governor and the region secretary. Unless someone has a challenge Larry suggested he close the file and open the ballots as all positions are running unopposed. Alternatively, Dave Heinemann informed us that Roberts Rules allows an organization head/Larry can cast a single vote if only one person is running for a position.
- Other – Dave Heinemann shared his recent trip to the Museum – in the COVID world. Lots of things are different. And Dave shared a conversation with Guy Larsen, Bloomington Gold President & Owner and how Guy is working to keep the 'Corvette' momentum going. Folks everywhere are being creative. We all need to keep 'Corvette' momentum strong so we can come back even stronger than before.

Motion to adjourn was made by Dave Heinemann, seconded by Joan Thomas, and approved by all. The meeting adjourned at 10:54 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanne Cassel,  
Midwest Region Secretary

**NOTICE:**

RE Larry Pagliaro will send Governors the Agenda and meeting/access information for the November meeting, as well as info on any interim meeting should we have one. Watch for the e-mails!