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Future Midwest Region Meeting

November 12, 2022
February 25, 2023 (to be voted on)
May 6, 2023
September 9, 2023

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Group-"National Council of Corvette Clubs"



MIDWEST REGION MEETING MINUTES

St Louis Missouri – September 10, 2022

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	John Severs
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW-075	Wisconsin Corvette Club	Ed Cassel
<input type="checkbox"/>	MW-077	Glass Favorites Corvettes	Mike Link
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW-109	Corvette Club of Illinois	Tom McKinley
<input type="checkbox"/>	MW-120	FOM Corvette Club	Curt Callies
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<input type="checkbox"/>	MW-378	Corvette Cruisers of Ill	Donald Huskisson
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<input type="checkbox"/>	MW-464	Rolling Prairie Corvettes	Rod Finke
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW-470	Route 66 Corvette Club	Tom Reitz
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW-522	St. Louis Corvette Club	Larry Walker
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW-575	Chicago Cross Roads Corvette Club	JR Weddington
<input type="checkbox"/>	MW-598	Brew City Corvette Club	Tom Muex
<input type="checkbox"/>	MW-613	Central Minnesota Corvette Assoc	Lynn Steenblock
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW-999	Members-At-Large - Governor	Sandy Arnold

MWR OFFICERS

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MW Regional Executive	Linda Fairlamb
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	MWR Competition Director	Jeff Craig
<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

Joan Heinemann – Windy City	
Steve Grabenstetter - GRCC	
Diane Wagner – Northern Rays	
Pat Stevens - Sunburst	

Midwest Region Governors Meeting Minutes

September 10, 2022

Call meeting to order – Linda Fairlamb called the September 10, 2022, MWR Governors meeting to order at 8:30 AM.

- Approval of the meeting agenda, Sandy Arnold motion for approval was seconded by Mike Stevens and all approved with a show of hands.
- Introductions to those attending. All Governors and guests were asked to sign the roster, and if proxy for their club, to so indicate it on the roster. Governors, also please indicate next to your name you plan or don't plan to attend the NCCC meeting. Linda explained the new Governor Sign-in process for attendance at the NCCC meeting – the NCCC Sign-in slips are now provided to the regions for completion at their on-site meetings.
- All were asked to mute their phones and speakers.

Officer Reports

MWR Secretary – Jeanne Cassel

- Approval of May 7, 2022, Region meeting minutes - These minutes and attachments were e-mailed to all officers and governors on May 27, 2022. The Motion was made by Dave Heinemann, and was seconded by
- Tom Reitz to approve these minutes as sent was approved by all.
- Report from Convention Steering Committee meeting – **Jeanne Cassel** –
 - The Atlantic City Convention team reported on participation and events. The convention comfortably broke even. All the chairpersons were recognized for an excellent event and for their service.
 - Bowling Green promises to be a great convention. Dale Samuelson and Betty Parks will co-chair. This convention timing will coincide with the 70th anniversary of the first Corvette coming off the line. The Museum plans to be very supportive with welcome parties all through the week. Local tours are in the works. Plant tours are being worked on. A production change does not stop the line – the changeovers are fully automated. Mark the dates – June 24, 2023, through June 30, 2023, and plan to be there.
- Everyone welcomed JR Weddington back to the meeting. He had been missed.
- John Hibbeler shared that Central Illinois placed 3rd in the Banner Competition at the Museum. This is the 5th time of placing – so check out their banner for ideas on how to win.

MWR Treasurer – Russ Tharp (*Financials are attached to these minutes*) (**Contact your Governor**)

- Report on MW Region finances – income and expenses since last report and comparison to budget
 - The 2022 Budget to Actual on the Annual Financial Plan was reviewed. The fundraisers were quite good.
 - The Income/Expense Period Summary and YTD Summary – the changes from prior report are depicted in red.
 - The Checkbook Register was reviewed and all ties out.
- May and July Fundraiser results were discussed. The July 3-day Fundraiser report showed each day's entrants and costs for each day.
- New income/expense considerations in prep for 2023 Financial Plan were discussed and tentatively projected.
 - Joan Thomas reminded all that 10 years ago we signed up for Go Daddy, and it is/will be due this year. She asked if the group was interested in her moving forward if a bargain comes up. SSL security benefits were reviewed. There are advantages to doing it now. The consensus was that we should move if the deal is good. JW Weddington moved to authorize her to negotiate and do what is best – up to \$1,000 or better and, seconded by Ed Cassel, Joan Thomas abstained, all others approved. Motion carried.

MWR RMD – Sandy Arnold

- Report from RMD meeting

The MWR Region continues to be the largest region in the NCCC with 27 clubs, **2,531** members, including MAL's and Lifetime members. Corvette Club of Illinois is the Midwest Region's largest club with 177 members. Tom McKinley is their club governor. The club is located in Champaign, IL.

There are 16 regions, 264 clubs, with 18,901 members in the NCCC.

IMPORTANT DATES

Any member entered after September 1 will renew as an "AUTO RENEWAL". Their screen will be tan and show zero owed for renewals.

The RMD's should receive Renewal Information by October 1, 2022.

I will email Governors a Renewal Packet as soon as I have that info.

OCTOBER 12th the database will shut down for cleanup.

OCTOBER 13-15th the database will be disabled and switch over to the renewal database. Governors will be locked out of the database.

Once the renewal screen is switched, all members will be highlighted., except "AUTO RENEWAL" members. You can then start renewals. DO NOT SUBMIT TO RMD until your renewals are complete.

Renewals are due to me by November 15, 2022.

Ed Cassel shared that 4 of Wisconsin Corvette Member cards showed the id number in a new place – which appears to have solved to dropped end numbers encountered with the current card. However, there is a second line for High-Speed licensing – Sandy will check out this new information and determine if High Speed info will be on all cards and/or what the plan is. There was a reminder to always check to see if a new applicant was previously in a club, and to check for a prior NCCC number – otherwise they are issued a new NCCC number. They are looking for a transfer number. Sandy will send this 'how to do it' information out.

Walt was asked to put governors pictures on the governor Screen, and to show on the national screen.

Dave Heinemann said NCCC is working with some California Clubs that may join NCCC. The West Coast Region currently has 26 clubs.

**MWR RCD Report – Jeff Craig (2023 MW Sanctioned Event Planning Schedule Aug 24, 2022, is attached)
(Contact your Governor)**

- Report from RCD meeting
 - Long meeting. From 6:45 PM to 11 PM – without a break.
 - Discussions included High Speed Time Trials, proposed rule changes, sanction trading, electric vehicles and that some tracks don't have capability to extinguish EV fires. Currently we will not allow NCCC or guests to participate using an EV at sanctioned speed events (low speed, high speed, autocross) until Corvettes have EV models AND we have sufficient suppression equipment. Current practice is that a car fire in an EV vehicle is allowed to burn down as currently fire suppression is not possible. EV participation at drag strip events needs clarification but the understanding was that to keep our insurance carrier comfortable and happy EV's are not allowed at our events.
 - Disabled participants at events can use an 'actual wheelchair' on the actual track, if approved by the chairperson.
 - Event flyer
 - For the personal security of our event chairpersons and governors, the requirement to have chairperson addresses on the flyer, same with Governor information on the flyer is discontinued.
 - Availability of food and/or restrooms should be included on the flyers.
 - PC Concours should be titled PC Car Show. It is hoped this will reduce confusion. And including or specifying award expectations with notes such as 'best engine, dealers' choice, awards etc. will hopefully also reduce confusion.
 - Jeff will send a suggestion to include something to the effect that "...violation of safety . . . can be ejected. . .
 - Awards – Per the Rule Book the top 15 men and ladies receive annual Championship Awards. However, this group is more and more dominated by autocross participants. Consideration is being given to adding additional Championships – such as Car Show – top 5; Rally, Economy runs, Funcanas – top 5 and take Autocross down to top 10 – or top 5 each High Speed, Low Speed, Drags. This can get really expensive for 60 rings and jackets. And sometimes the Top 5 could be 50% of total participants. Lots of discussion and Linda referenced MW Region Bylaw 4.2.2.3.
 - A commonsense proposal presented is that should there be another situation such as COVID like pandemic or something similar that the VP of Competition can suspend the competition schedule.
 - Each participant must sign their own name on the waiver.
 - A proposed rule book change was to the current 7 event days. A club requested the change for 17 sanctions. Craig recommended holding the 7 event per day max.
 - A verbiage technicality was presented – to disallow the term borrow when clubs share their sanctions and only allow the word "transfer". After giving this due respect and nothing was done.
- 2023 MWR Competition Schedule Worksheet that is attached was reviewed. Some swapping was worked out.

MWR RE Report – Linda Fairlamb (*Two proposed changes, [SR 003](#) and [SR 004](#) are attached*)

- Report from RE meeting
 - NCCC Bylaw change proposal discussion – By Law changes are to straighten out or correct obsolete areas and sections and it will be placed on the ballots. Standing Rule Changes – these are basically procedures we use to handle things such as voting, etc. Currently all are presented at once and if there is one or more that may be of more concern the vote can be a ‘no’ for all and then the housekeeping changes, and some good changes are also voted down.
 - As a way to move the housekeeping issues forward, the Competition Committee is suggesting changes be separated into Major and Minor changes – as a way to move some of the minor changes forward and leaving any contentious changes unapproved and available for further discussion and/or consideration. Recommendations presented have include “line- item approvals” The Governors
 - SR-2022-003 is a change to voting on Rule Book Changes. This was presented at the May meeting so the SR-2022-003 needs a 50% vote to pass. The question to the group was – should the MW region proxies vote Yes or NO to SR 2022-003? The group voted “Yes”.
 - Report from Finance meeting – no report.
- Establish Sanction meeting Date and Location for next year. Larry Walker’s motion that the Sanction Meeting for the MW Region be held at the November 12, 2022, Governors Meeting as it is the first meeting that follows the September Governors Meeting was seconded by Joan Thomas. All approved.
- #1 Club Banquet plans for November meeting
 - So far Mad City Vettes is currently in first place, and Badger Vettes in second. Joan Thomas said she does not have info from prior events. The tentative location is Madison Wisconsin, and she asks for support from the rest of the region. By March she needs a firm attendance date prior to establishing a contract, the tentative date is March 25, 2022. An attendance estimate based on available history is about 45 attendees.
- 2023 MWR Awards Committee: **volunteers?** Diane Wagner graciously volunteered to chair this function.

Appointed Officer and Committee Reports

Officer Nominating Committee report – Tom Reitz – Tom reported that the following have agreed to continue in their current Midwest Region positions, Linda Fairlamb as Regional Executive; Sandy Arnold as Regional Membership Chairperson; Jeanne Cassel as Regional Secretary; and Russ Tharp as Regional Treasurer. Jeff Craig may not be able to put on or attend events due to anticipated employment requirements and commitments. He will help and do the best he can, but the position is open.

- Electronic voting for officer elections process review – Linda Fairlamb will set up the electronic voting process for the region and will send an e-mail and Administration Schedule.
- All Officer candidate information to Webmaster for posting onto the Region web site. All should update and/or tweak our Bios for Joan Thomas to post on the website.
- Appoint Teller Committee to review on-line election results/count ballots as necessary in November. The Teller Committee will be composed of Linda, Mike Stevens, Craig Wiendl and Jeanne Cassel, Secretary.

MWR Webmaster report – Joan Thomas (*MWR Communications System list is included with minutes*) **(Contact your Governor)**

MWR Communications System (MWR-CS)

Links to the Officers on the website that send messages sent to the central e-mail address of MWRegion1972@gmail.com have been utilized by MWR Members and Non-Members. Messages have been received and forwarded to the RE, RCD, Secretary, Treasurer and Webmaster. The mailbox is being checked at least twice daily. There have been SPAMS sent directly to the SPAM Folder. That Folder is also checked ensure that the contents are not actually legitimate e-mails. I apologize for the one SPAM that got through.

On the reverse is the MWR-CS list as of September 7.2022. I have not received any changes but noticed today on the Membership Database that one of our Governors has changed their address.

GOVERNORS & OFFICERS ~ DON'T FORGET to let me know if you change your e-mail address. When changes are made, I will send out a new list to all of the Governors and Officers.

It would be great if a Club will be changing Governors for 2023 that I am given the new Governor information as soon as it is known. It doesn't hurt for the new Governor to be included on the MWR - CS list to help get up to speed for the new year.

Event Flyers and Event Information on the MWR website **Sanctions Schedule**

I do not check the NCCC Competition Database for new Flyers or added Sanctioned Events.

Flyers for Sanctioned Events need to be sent to our RCD. Once the RCD approves the flyer, the flyer will be sent it to me to post. I only post flyers sent to me by the RCD. If a Revised Flyer is presented, it would be great if the

Revised Flyer would state on the flyer what the revision is.

Social Calendar

Non-Sanctioned Events with a Non-Sanctioned Event Number also need to be sent to the RCD for approval. The RCD will then send on to me to post on the Social Calendar.

Governors may continue to send Flyers directly to me for their Club Social events that would be of interest to all of our members. These events are also posted on the Social Calendar.

MWR Meeting Information on the MWR website

Under the Meetings tab on the website, you can find:

The MWR Administrative Schedule for 2022

The MWR Meeting Dates for 2022 and NCCC Meeting (and possibly MWR) dates for 2023 and 2024

The agenda for the current MWR Governors Meeting (when distributed by the RE)

The Room Assignments for the current Governors Meeting Weekend. (The list is created by NCCC)

Forms needed to conduct business

Hotel Reservations for the 2022 Governors Meeting Weekends link

Meeting Minutes ~ 2009 to the present

I have received others from May 15, 1982, to September 14, 2002, that I will hopefully get to posting soon.

That still leaves a lot that I do not have. Let me know if you have some others.

NCCC Website Reminder

Except for the NCCC Competition Database, I do not link to any specific page on the NCCC website. I do check the NCCC site once in a while and if I find anything that would be helpful to our MWR membership, I will make note in **brown** on our MWR website **Changes** page. Sometimes I download information posted to the NCCC site and then upload it to our server before linking on our website. An example of this is the Meeting Room Assignments posted under our Meetings page.

Do not rely on me to find NCCC information. If you do find something that I maybe should add to our **Changes** page, please send me an e-mail and I will consider posting the information.

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Unfinished/Old Business

- Review the Regional Admin Schedule – **Linda Fairlamb** – Done
 - Note that the MW Region has to file our Not-for-Profit status. It must be a person with an Illinois address.
- Blue Bars deadline(s) – due date was Sept 30th.
 - Please send any stories and info to Linda – particularly information regarding member and/or club events and/or services that are not competitive related. We want to also highlight the great social work our members do.
 - Send information regarding any members that passes away. She sends them for announcement at the meeting and for Blue Bars
- Discussion on competitor awards
 - Overview of past discussions, the number of event attendees as a percent of the whole membership, and ties for placement. There are also budget constraints, however, the awards person can set the value of each award in the tier. After some discussion and ideas, it was decided that Linda would present a couple of proposals for the November Governor's meeting.
- Other – **All**

New Business (hard stop at 11:30 for lunch)

- Other – **ALL**
 - Linda Fairlamb shared that Midwest Region Standing Rules 4.2.2 state that those accruing more than 200 points receive a tier 2 award, and those starting at the 16th place and earning more than 200 points receive a Tier 3 award. With lower participation overall, the percentage of award winners increases in relationship to the total MW Region membership. An option is to set the award placement at a percent of total membership and then the number of awards will float with the total membership, i.e., say 10 % as opposed to a specific place. Linda asked Jeff Craig to discuss this awards concept with Bill Docherty.

- The Midwest Points Champion Club shall have a brick placed at the National Corvette Museum as their award and the region is to budget \$100 for the brick – question is what if the brick costs more than \$100? Joan will investigate options in lieu of a brick award.

- **TURN ON CELLPHONES**

Note: National Governors Meeting starts at 12:30pm.

Any Governors not attending?

Motion to adjourn by Dan Wagner, seconded by Tom Reitz approved by all. Meeting adjourned at 11:25 AM.

Respectfully submitted.

Jeanne Cassel MW Region Secretary

Turn on Cell Phones.

**Note: National Governors Meeting starts at 12:30pm.
Any Governors not attending?**