



# MIDWEST REGION MEETING MINUTES

St Louis Missouri – Nov 15, 2025

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## Future Midwest Region Meeting

February 21, 2026

May 1, 2026

September 11, 2026

November 14, 2026

Sheraton Westport Plaza Hotel  
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Phone: 314-878-1500

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National Meeting 2025 Sheraton Hotel Reservation Form:  
<https://corvettesnccc.org/Meetings/Sheraton2025ReservationFlyer.pdf>

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Governors in attendance were:

Yes (Y)

|   |        |                                   |                      |
|---|--------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
|   | MW-004 | Chicago Corvette Club             | Frank Kennedy        |
|   | MW-051 | Suburban Corvette Club            | Fred Lyons           |
| Y | MW-054 | Midwest Corvettes                 | Roger Miller         |
| Y | MW-075 | Wisconsin Corvette Club           | Ed Cassel            |
|   | MW-077 | Glass Favorites Corvettes         | Mike Link            |
|   | MW-084 | Kettle Moraine Corvette Club      | Dick Huibretgse      |
| Y | MW-109 | Corvette Club of Illinois         | Tom McKinley         |
|   | MW-120 | FOM Corvette Club                 | Curt Callies         |
|   | MW-122 | River City Corvettes              | Roger Ondeck         |
| Y | MW-135 | Northern Rays Ltd.                | Dan Wagner           |
| Y | MW-155 | Great River Corvette Club         | Steve Grabenstetter  |
| Y | MW-167 | Northern Illinois Corvette Club   | Dale Samuelson       |
| Y | MW-246 | Badger State Vettes, Ltd          | Craig Wiendl         |
| Y | MW-277 | Sunburst Corvette Club            | Mike Stevens (proxy) |
| Y | MW-278 | Central Illinois Corvette Club    | John Hibbeler        |
|   | MW-315 | Corvettes of Minnesota            | Don Gettinger        |
| Y | MW-351 | Windy City Corvette Club          | Bill Docherty        |
| Y | MW-378 | Corvette Cruisers of Ill          | Lawrence Long        |
| Y | MW-391 | Mid Illinois Corvette Club        | Glenn Goggins        |
|   | MW-464 | Rolling Prairie Corvettes         | Rod Finke            |
| Y | MW-465 | Mad City Vettes                   | Joan Thomas          |
|   | MW-470 | Route 66 Corvette Club            | Craig Besand         |
| Y | MW-575 | Chicago Cross Roads Corvette Club | JW Weddington        |
| Y | MW-598 | Brew City Corvette Club           | Mike Kirschner       |
|   | MW-613 | Central Minnesota Corvette Assoc  | Lynn Steenblock      |
|   | MW-621 | Stray Vettes of Illinois          | Sandy Arnold         |
|   | MW-640 | Game Over Vette Club              | Michael Brown        |
| Y | MW-999 | Members-At-Large - Governor       | Steve Grabenstetter  |

## MWR OFFICERS

|   |                          |                     |
|---|--------------------------|---------------------|
| Y | MW Regional Executive    | Dale Samuelson      |
| Y | MWR Competition Director | Bill Docherty       |
| Y | MWR Membership Director  | Steve Grabenstetter |
| Y | MWR Treasurer            | Gordon Green        |
|   | MWR Secretary            | Jeanne Cassel       |
| Y | MWR Webmaster            | Joan Thomas         |

## Guests in Attendance

| Name            | Club                   | Name         | Club      |
|-----------------|------------------------|--------------|-----------|
| Sandy Green     | MW Secretary-Elect     | Mrs. Goggins | Mid IL CC |
| Pat Stevens     | Sunburst CC            |              |           |
| Mrs. Weddington | Chicago Cross-Roads CC |              |           |
| Mr. Moore       |                        |              |           |

## Midwest Region Governors Meeting Minutes- November 15, 2025

*Please mute all cell phones*

**Call meeting to order – Dale Samuelson:** The MWR Governors meeting was called to order at 8:29 AM.

**Approve meeting agenda: Motion** by [REDACTED], seconded by Joan Thomas and approved by all.

**Introduction of those attending:** Governors, or attending proxies, were asked to sign the roster, and to indicate if they plan to attend the NCCC meeting. All were reminded of the NCCC meeting start time. Guests were asked to sign roster.

### Officer Reports

#### **MWR Secretary – Compiled by Jeanne Cassel, Presented by MWR Secretary-Elect Sandy Green**

- Approval of September 13, 2025, Region Meeting Minutes. Minutes were e-mailed to all Officers and Governors on November 6, 2025. **Motion to approve** as e-mailed by Bill Docherty, seconded by Mike Stevens. All approved.
- Teller Committee report-election results for Midwest Region: Regional Executive-Dale Samuelson, Competition Director-Bill Docherty, Membership Director-Steve Grabenstetter, Treasurer-Gordon Green, Secretary-Sandy Green, Webmaster-Joan Thomas.
- Report from Convention Steering Committee meeting – Allen Morris called meeting to order at 7:08 PM.
  - 2026 Convention – Debbie Schafer and Bernyce Molenda, Co-Chairs, reported. Convention Treasurer has been appointed. The status of room accommodations was reviewed. All on track and prices within budget. Tentative schedule is on the website. Tours and pricing were discussed. While some costs or rates were higher, overall costs were similar as venues were closer to the hotel; shorter trips or support costs were less. Overall pricing is very competitive. Thursday during Convention is USA 250<sup>th</sup> birthday and will be an 'Honor Vet's Day.' The registration form will have a checkbox to designate attendees with "Vet" status.
  - 2027 Convention – Return to Bowling Green – Carolyn Samuelson, Chair, and Betty Parks gave an update. They are finalizing rates and have preliminary contracts.
  - 2028 Convention – 3 possible options are being discussed: SW Region, West Region, or Vegas (Road Runners).
  - 2029 Convention – Colorado. The Rocky Mountain Region is finalizing plans.
  - Meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

#### **MWR Treasurer – Gordon Green** *(The attached 2025 Financials are numbered in order presented.)*

##### **(Contact your Governor)**

- Report on region finances – income & expenses since last report and comparison to budget
  - 2025 Period - Jan 1-November 15, 2025, results: The Income/Expense and Budget v Actual reports were reviewed and are attached. **Changes from last meeting are in RED.**
  - The Income / Expense period Sept 14 – Nov 15, 2025, and YTD Summary provides our checking account balance. The checking account balance, as of Nov. 15 is \$27,073.02.
  - The Budget v Actual period Jan 1 – Nov 15, 2025. MWR is positive \$2,012.39 since the beginning of the year.
- Need Volunteer for Financial Audit-review of 2025 activity to be completed by Feb meeting
  - **Mike Kirschner, Brew City CC, volunteered to audit MWR finances.**
- 2026 Annual Financial Plan review
  - Region Awards Banquet proposal - #1 Badger State Corvettes - \$3,000. Region Awards Banquet will be March 14, 2026, at the Sheraton in Brookfield, Wisconsin.
  - **Motion to approve Banquet subsidy amount** by JW Weddington, seconded by Steve Grabenstetter. All approved.
  - Fundraiser – The July fundraiser is being researched. No information was included in the 2026 Annual Financial Plan at this time. Travel expenses were estimated higher due to inflation.
  - Competition Number Renewal – Renewal opens Jan 1, 2026. Information is available on the website now.
  - CD for the MWR – Dale advised we will research more information and present updates later.
- Head Tax or Region Dues required? – Tabled.
- **Motion to approve Treasurer's Report** by Craig Wiendl, seconded by Lawrence Long. All approved.

#### **MWR RMD – Steven Grabenstetter.**

- Report from RMD meeting – Renewals which become effective Jan 1, 2026, show 16,440 NCCC members in 231 Clubs, and an additional 2 Clubs (277 members) that are currently deactivated. NCCC has lost 14 Clubs (14,000 members). Clubs in Kentucky will be rolled into the SE Region, not split between regions as they currently are. In response to a question regarding less NCCC in-person meetings to conserve costs, RMDs would like to keep 4 meetings per year, with at least 3 in-person.
- Renewals due to Steve Grabenstetter November 15<sup>th</sup>; Status update of how many received to date – Clubs have been extremely slow in the renewal process. Clubs withdrawing from NCCC give a variety of reasons. Membership cards will continue to be plastic. There was discussion on Lifetime Membership cards.
- Any Club or Governor changes known – No updates given at this time.

- A By-law change is being presented regarding a Club being recognized in NCCC. The By-law would change the minimum number of Club members and 51% NCCC membership within a Club.
- **Motion to approve Membership Report** by Mike Kirschner, seconded by Mike Stevens. All approved.

**MWR RCD Report – Bill Docherty** (See <https://www.mwregion.com/schedule.html> for latest event and flyer info. See <https://www.corvettesnccc.org/Competition/Competition.html> for latest rule book information.)

- Report from RCD Meeting – 36 men and 15 women had 200 or more points. Our rebates are based on this. There was discussion regarding no longer having rebates. Assigned numbers are handled through Joan Thomas, via the website. Many rule changes were addressed. Several were clarifications. Most are language changes. A new class was added: E-9 for E-Rays. Changes are shown on NCCC website at <https://www.corvettesnccc.org/Competition/RulebookProposalsandClarifications/index.php> Clarifications will go into the Rulebook automatically. 1 change was withdrawn. In response to a question regarding less NCCC in-person meetings to conserve costs, RCDs would like to keep 4 in-person meetings per year.
- MWR Competition season final standings report – Bill read the names of the Top 10 men and women Speed competitors, Top Workers, and Top Concours and Rallye men and women competitors. MWR had several competitors in the National Top 10!
- Permanent Number Renewals for next year will be Jan 1-31, and new requests will be Feb 15-Mar 15.
- **Motion to approve Competition Report** by Ed Cassel, seconded by Mike Stevens. All approved.

### **MWR RE Report – Dale Samuelson**

- Report from RE meeting – Discussion regarding cost saving measures. One cost saving measure is to reduce meetings to 3 in-person meetings and 1 online meeting per year. Discussed Bylaw rule change proposals. Discussed Standing rule change proposals, including a competition head tax and elimination of the regional rebate.
- Report from Finance meeting – Financial report shared by Linda Fairlamb, NCCC Treasurer. Committee discussed adding a balance sheet.
- Complete Proxy forms if needed for next year (per 5.1.2) – No new governors were expected.
- Accept applications for MWR Appointed Officers (Webmaster) – Received.
- Determine next year's Region Meeting dates and tentative Sanction meeting date – 2026 Region Meeting dates set for 8:30 AM the Saturday of every NCCC meeting in Room D.
  - **Motion to approve Region Meeting dates** by Lawrence Long, seconded by Bill Docherty. All approved.
- Review the Region Admin Schedule – All items are complete.
- A Governor asked who would be invited to an online NCCC meeting, officers only vs all members. Dale responded that logistics of an online meeting are still in discussion.
- **Motion to approve Regional Executive Report** by Mike Stevens, seconded by Lawrence Long. All approved.

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

#### **MWR Webmaster report – Joan Thomas**

- Joan will be changing the website to show the 2026 schedule. She will update the Officers and Governors. Governors should send contact information changes to Joan.

#### ***2025 MWR Convention (Wisconsin Dells) – Joan Thomas/Tim Wood***

- Joan shared her thanks for the great coverage of Convention 2025 in the latest Blue Bars edition. She offered Convention 2025 programs to Governors. The 2025 Convention banner was given to Craig Wiendl to display at the MWR Banquet. It was suggested that a volunteer take the banner to future Conventions to display. She presented a final Convention financial report and a check to the MWR for \$7046.76 from Convention proceeds. She also presented a check to the MWR for merchandise proceeds for \$2500.
  - **Motion to accept check for merchandise proceeds** by Steve Grabenstetter, seconded by JW Weddington. All approved.

### **Unfinished/Old Business**

- No unfinished/old business presented.

### **New Business**

#### **MWR 2026 Sanctioning Meeting – Bill Docherty**

- Schedule was discussed. Several regional members are researching possible venues and costs.
- Fundraisers set: Rantoul, Illinois May 23, 24, 25. Bowling Green, Kentucky Oct 31, Nov 1 (combined SE and MW regions)
- Dale advised Governors to contact Bill Docherty with event dates as soon as possible.

### **Other**

- Steve Grabenstetter advised Governors to please submit renewals as soon as possible.
- Joan presented the remaining clothing (women's only) to be given away at the MWR Awards Banquet.

- **Motion made to increase the MWR Awards Banquet subsidy up to \$6000** by Bill Docherty, seconded by Steve Grabenstetter. All approved.

**Meeting Adjourn: Motion to adjourn** by Ed Cassel, seconded by Steve Grabenstetter. All approved. Meeting adjourned at 10:55 AM.

Respectfully submitted.

MW Region Secretary-Elect.