

Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting Wed March 9, 2016

Board of Directors Meeting March 9, 2016
7:00 p.m. Box Bar and Grill, Plymouth, MI

Attendees:

Greg Anthony, Ed Arthur, Pat Barber, John Fishbeck, Jennifer Glass, John Jareo, John Lisiecki, Mike McClintock, Jennifer Merideth, Mike Nienhuis, Eric Penn, Aaron Usher, Ken Wiedbusch, Sue Wiedbusch, John Kytasty, Jeremiah Mauricio, Brian Thorpe

Meeting called to order at 7:10 pm by Pat Barber, RE.

1. February meeting minutes approval

Approved online. No discussion.

2. Current Business and Online Business

A special meeting was held on March 6 to discuss the need for a new Solo Trailer. Minutes of this meeting are attached as appendix A.

3. Reports

a. Asst. RE (Mike Nienhuis)

i. Membership meeting:

- GM museum not open yet.
- Yankee Air Museum possibly on March 30.
- Lingenfelter Collection – no response from them.

ii. The banquet final budget showed a loss \$900 less than expected.

- Calvin Steward will be presented with the Ira Garfunkel award at the Membership Meeting. Jennifer Merideth will get it out of storage.

b. Race (Jerry Shiloff – not present)

i. Budget discussed under 5. New Business

c. Rally (John Fishbeck)

- i. Rally school scheduled for Sat Mar 19th at CJ's Lounge.
- ii. Twilight Tour scheduled for Sat Apr 16th.

d. Rallycross (Jon Jareo)

- i. The I-96 Speedway event on February 13 made a profit of \$500. It was very cold.

e. Solo (Jeremiah Mauricio)

- i. At the planning meeting last month, the year's schedule was adjusted.
- ii. Now finalizing contracts for the year.
- iii. DNR contacted re Belle Isle with a view to getting events there again.
- iv. Ray Jason said Willow Run are not interested in helping us with events, confirming earlier opinion.

- f. Equipment** (Ken Wiedbusch)
- i. RV
 - at the last RallyCross, it would not start. The battery and starter solenoid were replaced.
 - ii. Funmover
 - repairs are done and look good.
 - Mike McClintock is very involved and is working on mods to improve functionality. There have been minor expenses so far.
 - iii. FSAE
 - Mike M. will get someone to build two extra tow dollies.
 - Extra cones were ordered.
 - Pat Barber sent quote to Kathleen McDonald (FSAE Coordinator) for DRSCCA support. It was rejected, so a new one was sent. With no RFQ it is difficult to know exactly what to quote.
 - Hotels near MIS are booked up by FSAE Teams. Ann Arbor may be the nearest available.
 - Radios - Ed Arthur said rentals are all set.
 - FM Transmitter – Pat Barber bought two 7 watt transmitters for \$75. 😊
 - MotorsportReg page for FSAE volunteers is live.
 - The Michigan Turn Marshals FSAE page has the volunteer schedule.
 - Tech inspections will be at Lawrence Tech.
 - iv. New Trailer
 - Ken Wiedbusch and John Kytasty were commended on their work to get quotes for the trailer (see appendix A). The trailer should be due on May 1st.
- g. Membership report** (Steve Balanecki not present) read by Pat Barber:
- i. We gained eight (8) members since our last meeting. We had 1,397 members last month and 1,405 as of this morning. We added 22 new members which means that 14 members either did not renew or transferred their membership to another region.
 - ii. 22 service awards were mailed at the beginning of this month.
- h. Treasurer** (Aaron Usher-old, Jen Glass-new)
- i. Jen & Aaron have been sharing the tasks.
 - ii. As usual, there is more spending at the beginning of the year, but the Club is very solvent.
 - iii. Due to the large amount of work, its specialist nature, and precision required, we may have to hire a bookkeeper sometime in the future.
 - iv. Auto insurance was renewed – premium was reduced by \$150 per month.
- i. Website** (John Li)
- i. Work continues.
 - ii. Need help with forums. It is difficult to transfer historical forum posts to the new site.
 - iii. Expect to make the formal transition to the new website in mid-April.
 - iv. Should ask for a refund from the current site (host).

j. Regional Executive (Pat Barber)

- i. PB thanked everyone for participating in the Sunday meeting by phone conference to discuss the new trailer purchase.
- ii. Spring Training will take place in Findlay, OH and 10 – 12 people are expected.

k. Open Exhaust (Brian Thorpe)

- i. After the standing ovation, BT explained that the newsletter is now live on Facebook and that a dedicated Facebook page was initiated to ensure Open Exhaust stays at the top of the page.
- ii. Mike Nienhuis volunteered to ensure the newsletter is emailed to all members.
- iii. The next issue is expected in early June, and more solo article are expected as we move into that season.

4. Calendar Review (Pat Barber)

- The “Jerry Shiloff” spreadsheet of events has listings for all Solo National, Solo, WHRR, Regionals, Majors, other race-related events, Rallycross and Rally at Midwest venues.

5. New Business

a. Event Budgets

- i. Grand Prix
 - Motion to approve, Jen Glass; 2nd, Mike Nienhuis.
 - Discussion:
 - Ed Arthur – the Indy Car folks said there was not enough shelter for our workers. Maybe get some umbrellas, for sun or rain. Will get with Bob Martin and Jerry Shiloff and Indy Car people.
 - Discuss at GP SCCA meeting. If more is needed, the budget will be resubmitted, but we need to approve this budget now to allow spending to start.
 - Need power cord on turn 8.
 - There is no SCCA sanctioned event this year so our fee will not be increased. However, it will be kept in mind for next year.
 - The budget was approved unanimously.
- ii. Rallycross, May 21 at Thistle Hill (Jon Jareo)
 - Entries will be limited to 55.
 - May have to limit non-competitors or a special license from South Lyon Township will be required (150 is their limit).
 - Motion to approve budget by Mike Nienhuis, seconded by Jeremiah Mauricio, unanimously approved.
- iii. Rally, Moonlight Monte, June 18, West Branch, MI (John Fishbeck)
 - Motion to approve by Jen Glass, seconded by Jen Merideth. Unanimous approval.
- iv. Rally, Press on Regardless, Sept 10-11.
 - It will be a National Event this year. Bruce Fisher has organized this for over 10 years and continues to put on a great event.
 - Motion to approve by Jen Glass, 2nd by Jon Jareo, unanimously approved.
- v. Test and Tune, Oscoda, July 2-4 (Pat Barber)
 - Max entry will be 40 cars, with a minimum of 20 to break even. (No problem).
 - Motion to approve by Mike Nienhuis, 2nd by Jen Glass, unanimously approved.

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- vi. After the Fireworks Solo, Oscoda, July 8-10 (Pat Barber)
 - Pro Solo style event
 - The number of entries in the expenses budget for insurance and sanction fee was corrected from 170 to 155 resulting in \$187 reduction in expenses.
 - T Shirts will only be available in advance online so the numbers will be known.
 - Motion to approve by Jon Jareo, 2nd by John Lisiecki, unanimously approved.
- vii. Solo Trophies
 - Since trophies are charged to each event, this budget shows zero net profit (or loss) but is required to enable money to be spent.
 - Motion to approve spending by Jeremiah Mauricio, 2nd by Jen Glass, unanimously approved.

b. Any Other Business

- i. Street Survival Summit; Eric Penn recommended anyone interested in putting on an event will find the info online
- ii. Jen Merideth - 1st two solo budgets will be put up online.

6. Next Meeting – April 13, 2016

- 7:00 p.m. Box Bar and Grill, Plymouth, MI

7. Adjourn at 8:44 pm.

Appendix A. Minutes of Special Meeting to define and purchase a new trailer

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Re: Call for Special Meeting regarding SCCA trailer

From: **Patrick Barber** (patbarber@comcast.net)

Sent: Sun 3/06/16 8:11 PM

To: Aaron Usher (usheraar@gmail.com); Jennifer Merideth (jmerideth@comcast.net); Brian Thrope (thorpeb@comcast.net); Jerry Schiloff (jshiloff@comcast.net); Jennifer Glass (jglass5@emich.edu); Patrick Barber (patbarber@comcast.net); Eric Penn (ericpenn@aol.com); Jeremiah Mauricio (Jeremiah_Mauricio@live.com); Michael Nienhuis (nienhuisengineering@gmail.com); John Lisiecki (JohnL@TurnMarshals.com); Matt Wolfe (lonewolf@wowway.com); John Fishbeck (fishbeck@msu.edu); John Kytasty (jpk@altair.com); Ken Weidbusch (twilighttour@wowway.com); Jon Jareo (27rallycross@gmail.com)

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SCCA_Equipment_Trailer_Proposal_4-Mar_2016.pdf (844.0 KB)

Meeting minutes from the Special Meeting. Let me know if there are any additions or corrections.

Meeting Called to order at 7:05.

Board Members in Attendance

- Barber
- Lisiecki
- Fishbeck
- Mauricio
- Penn
- Jerry Shiloff
- Jareo
- Aaron Usher
- Nienhuis
- Glass

Non Board Members in attendance

- John Kytasty
- Ken Weidbusch
- Mary Shiloff

Absent

- Merideth
- Thorpe
- Wolfe

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John Kytasty and Ken Weidbusch were given the floor to review their proposal for the purchase of a new Race Trailer
Please refer to John's portfolio for the details .

At 7:25 A Question and Answer period was provided

- A question to the durability of the wire racks was raised by Fishbeck and Barber. Kytasty deferred to Bob Martin as the expert on these racks. The recommendation provided by Barber was to Limit the purchase to 1 unit until the durability could be validated. John Kytasty recommend that 2 be purchased to ensure proper (even) loading within the trailer
- A question regarding the use of Barn Doors was raised by Nienhuis. John Kytasty indicated that the unit will be built with a ramp door.
- A question regarding the disposition of the existing race trailer was raised. Kytasty and Weidbusch indicated that the current race trailer will become static storage replacing "Bob's" truck with is currently undriveable and is used for transient storage for both the Race and RallyCross equipment.
- A question was raised by Lisiecki regarding plans for graphics. John Kytasty indicated the current plan did not contain graphics and the trailer will be white.
- A question was raised by Glass regarding delivery timing. John indicated that the unit would be delivered 4-6 weeks from order. This would place delivery around the end of April.
- A question was raised by Lisiecki regarding the cost of taxes and license. John Kytasty indicated that there is no sales tax on the unit due to the club's tax exempt status. He also indicated that he unintentionally left off the cost for the license estimated to be \$250.00

A motion was made by Jerry Shiloff to authorize the spending not to exceed \$13250 for the purchase of the Race Trailer per the proposal
The motion was seconded by Mike Nienhuis
Barber called for a Roll Call Vote.

- Jennifer Glass - Yes
- Michael Nienhuis - Yes
- Aaron Usher - Yes
- Jon Jareo - Yes
- Jerry Shiloff - Yes
- Eric Penn - Yes
- Jeremiah Mauricio - Yes
- John Fishbeck - Yes
- John Lisiecki - Yes
- Patrick Barber - Yes

The motion carried unanimously (10-0)
Barber indicated that John and Ken needed to submit the request on an appropriate budget sheet and submit to Jennifer Glass & Aaron Usher.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48.

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