

Detroit Region SCCA



January 11, 2023
Board of Directors Meeting
Senate Coney Island, Livonia

Present:

- Frank Putman
- Greg Valade
- Steve Balanecki
- Piotr Roszczenko
- Cindy Wisner
- Eric Penn
- Andie Wolfe
- Matt Wolfe
- Matt Conklin
- Pat Barber
- Sonja Karavla
- Alex DellaTorre
- Ken Wiedbusch
- Ed Arthur
- John Li joined

Not Attending:

- Cade Wilson
- Nick Aranda
- Ankit Mathur

Alex called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm. Seven voting members were in attendance. At the opening of the meeting Frank Putman thanked the board members for their participation on the board and contributions to the Detroit Region SCCA.

As the first order of business Alex stated we need another member of the board. Alex moved and Matt W. seconded the appointment of Ed Arthur to the Board. Motion passed.

Current and Online Business

December 2022 BOD Meeting Minutes

Minutes were posted to the forum

Andi moved and Matt C. seconded approval of December minutes

Motion passed

Weekend membership fee increase

At the national office there is a \$5 increase in weekend membership fees. Discussion that each chief is determine the amount of the weekend membership - \$20 was suggested. John Li joined the meeting – adding an 8th voting member and Ed Arthur makes a 9th voting member

Matt W motioned and Greg V. seconded \$20 weekend membership across the board for all programs. Motion passed.

Finance Committee charter

Deferred – Ankit not in attendance

Discussion of Annual Budgets for Programs

Discussion of annual program budgets in contrast to event budgets

Matt described the concept for annual program budgets with projected income and expenses. Matt W and Piotr R shared concerns about the variation in the number of events and costs of sites and events from event to event. It was noted that the most predictable programs are Race and Solo/Autocross

Matt C explained that the concern is whether events will be profitable and how much loss needs to be budgeted for. There was additional discussion of updates to the programs and the observation that what is being discussed is the potential for models Matt will reach out to each program director to assist with annual budgeting/forecasting

Trophy Display Updates:

Frank and Alex are working on the display. Conversations are continuing

Discussion deferred to next month

Treasurer/Finance_ Monthly Report_ Investment

Finance Director Report

Matt C shared a January-December 2022 Profit and Loss Report. Matt W expressed appreciation for the form of the report and its usefulness. Also Matt C shared the Treasurer's budget for 2023. Andi moved approval and Greg seconded and Matt C's budget was approved.

Program Reports

Race - Nick Aranda (not in attendance- deferred)

2023 Scheduling Update Nick shared schedule updates with Alex

Alex posted the dates on the website. Discussion of the dates for race schedule. The September Gingham date is same date as runoffs and race at WHRRI.

Rally- Piotr Roszczenko

Matt W moves approval of Piotr's budget and Greg V seconded and motion passes

Son of Sno* Drift this weekend with 24 cars

2023 POR - 75th running; Piotr asked for support for a plaque, sticker, another souvenir for all participants funded by the region for the event. Alex advised to bring forward a proposal - good idea for providing something to the participants

2024 POR - 75th anniversary; Piotr thinks next year we need to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of POR. There will be a lot of Stage rally competitors that ran POR as a Stage Rally that will want to celebrate the anniversary in 2024. 2024 should include some of the iconic stages even if they are not competitive. Last day could start and end earlier to make the award presentation be a dinner. Will include in next year budget and seek advance approval.

POR - looking for a new Chair and Rallymaster after 2024. Next year is Bruce Fisher's last rally – asking at Rallies and on the website

Discussion of weekend membership (region's fee is for Weekend vs. Trial membership)

Piotr asked who is the new Chief of Registration, replacing Mary Shiloff? Has she found a replacement? Tammy Breece may be able to help. Piotr will ask Mary who she thinks could help.

Piotr's schedule is on line

2023 Rally schedule Deferred to next meeting

GTA rally related to the Woodward Dream Cruise – question is about a different format, offer free entry? "GTA" stands for Game, Tour, and Adventure. This type of rally, also known as a "gimmick" or "game" rally, is typically a contest run in cars on public roads, with a driver and a co-driver (navigator). The primary method of scoring is by other than the Time-Speed-Distance (TSD) format used in other SCCA road rallies. Question and Answer GTA rallies feature scoring determined by answering questions posed by the rallymaster as teams follow the rally course. Usually the answers to the questions are determined from signs or landmarks along the route. Occasionally, questions from "general knowledge" are used, usually relating to the theme of the event ("Name Santa's reindeer" in a Christmas rally). The questions can range from very easy ("What Street are you on?") to much more difficult ("Who was the 24th president of the United States")?

Rallycross- Matt Wolfe

Raced on pavement at Milan – worked well with the weather

Matt W reported that it was a very good first event to kick off the year

Short on entries but good event. RV left onsite in fenced location from Nov to Jan

Postponed Crystal and looking for colder weather

Presenting budget today RX#3- wants to keep the Auto City

Greg V moves approval and Ed Arthur seconds the budget Motion passed

I96 contacted Matt and Matt will be following up

Solo- John Li

2023 Solo Planning Meeting being scheduled

No MIS event planned yet – planning Schoolcraft events

John Li has not found a successor

John cannot attend solo events this year due to travel /calendar conflicts

John will try to put together a committee and run book and points for the season and put in paperwork on portal

John also is looking to adjust the points system for next year

John is working on equipment budget for solo program and will stay on for equipment

First event is scheduled at the end of May – 5 events are now scheduled

Ken wants to get the Fun Mover and unload the fire extinguishers and cones

John Li is now in Troy. The Fun Mover and stuff is in Dearborn

Ed volunteered to help with the equipment. John, Ken and Ed will coordinate.

Frank can and will order 600 pylons – he is still region buyer and should ship the pylons to Dunn Welding.

Director Reports

Asst. RE - Andie Wolfe

2022 Awards Banquet _ Feb 4-5, 2023_ Venue Selection/ Reservation- investigation is underway Iroquois Club has gotten back to Andi Two other venues have not Proposing 2/17 for a Friday event banquet to save money.
Discussion of updating give-aways and the \$50 charge for the banquet
2023 Annual Membership Meeting_ March 2023_ Location is TBD
Discussion of budgeting for the annual banquet and Tammy will help with registration
After discussion motion to approve the banquet budget with \$40 fee by Greg and second by John Li Motion passed
Need to pick award/trophy winners Discussion of the awards and candidates for the awards Andi requested follow up via email for trophy winners

RE- Alex DellaTorre

Alex described his vision for his role as RE

Region 75th Anniversary Party Subcommittee (Andie, Matt, John and Cade)
Deferred

Membership Report - Sonja Karavla

We still have members. 1427 members as of last month. This month there were 1430 members. This month the Region added 16 new members, a loss of 15 members.
Sonja mailed 13 service awards for January. Membership chair budget – budget has an error – postage more than budgeted in actual Bought postage for remainder of 2022 and early for 2023. Will need to buy postage for 2024. Dues coming back from headquarters is \$15 Motion to approve the budget as revised by Ed and second by Greg. Motion passed.

Equipment Report

RallyCross re-named in name of Sue and Ken thanks the Club for the donation in Sue's memory. Ken prepared a 2023 budget and put a lot in for unknowns. He reviewed the larger numbers. Frank will take care of ordering cones. Ken alerted Matt C to bills for loss insurance on the storage unit. Added \$12 to monthly bill. Fun mover storage is \$1800 not \$1200. For extended finish lines is wireless trans & rec. Lost 30 year old equipment at MIS. Ken needs to talk to Nick's guy and big RV folks re a generator rather than a portable. Discussion of performance during the year.
Ken will resubmit the budget next month.

Open Exhaust - Brian Thorpe no report

Street Survival - Eric Penn, Keith Armitage

May 27 at Schoolcraft. No date yet for Fowlerville

Website and social media

No additional updates

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Special Events

2023 FSAE MIS_ Update Ed Arthur will bring budget and need to set up invoicing

2023 CDGPPBL_ June 2-4 _ Detroit

2022 Empire Hill Climb_ Sep 17, 2022_

AutoRama_ 2023_ Update

Discussion deferred due to time

New Business

New business discussion was deferred.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm

Next meeting will be on Wednesday, February 8th. Location is TBD.