

**November 2, 2023**

**Board of Directors Meeting/Membership Meeting**

**Location:** On-line ZOOM Meeting

6:30PM – 9:00 PM

**Present:**

1. Alex DellaTorre x
2. Cindy Wisner x
3. Greg Valade x
4. Eric Penn x
5. Nick Aranda x
6. Gary Godula x
7. Ed Arthur x
8. Piotr Roszczenko x
9. Matt Wolfe (joined late)
10. Matt Conklin x
11. Ken Wiedbusch (new board member) x

**Also Attending:**

Sonja Marie (Membership)  
Michael Rodriguez  
Nick Rennell  
Chandra Koganti

**Not Attending:**

12. Ankit Mathur x
13. Cade Wilson (resigned)
14. Andie Wolfe (resigned)

The November Monthly Board Meeting was called to order at 6:43 pm. The meeting began with ten (10) voting members in attendance – with 9 voting members constituting a quorum.

**Board Meeting Agenda**

1. Current Business and Online Business
  - Alex spoke about the loss of Jerry Shiloff – with appreciation for his many contributions
  - Ballot 2024
    - On the ballot Eric Penn, Ken Wiedbusch, Ed Arthur, Gary Godula and Mike Rodriguez
    - Alex also thanked contributing members who are not on the ballot and who attend and participate
    - Alex asked about using local resources for sending out the ballots

- Bylaws and Policies -- Alex talked about the need to update bylaws and policies  
There was discussion of potential updates and collection of suggestions  
Attendees are requested to review the bylaws and send suggestions to the Secretary
- Minutes were sent – Alex asked attendees to check the minutes for accuracy
- Greg moved approval and Piotr seconded the minutes were approved by voice vote with Matt C abstaining
- Treasurer/Finance Monthly Report /Investment Matt C shared his screen and reviewed the financials Some expenses are missing -- the financials are in line with prior years As memberships lapse worker points are forfeited Last year bottom line was \$52,000 and we are just below that this year
- End of year last year surplus of approx. \$30,000 this year could be 10-20,000
- Alex reminded everyone to consider what role they can fill next year – and it may be necessary to contract for marketing
- Alex shared his information that he shared with Piotr and Chandra re what it means to be on the board

## 2. Reports

- Solo (Greg)
  - Season Awards and Season Ender (Oct15) –  
Have a program and have volunteers  
Season Ender went well and weather held up for the event  
Go response from Schoolcraft and getting dates for next year  
Gary described goals for events for next year – and latest events have large numbers of rookies  
Alex suggested keeping in touch over the off season  
There was discussion of cost/benefit of weekend benefits v. membership  
Will be able to order awards sooner and points are being calculated
- Road Race (Nick)
  - GLDV awards Calculations are in process. Nick gave an update on scheduling and plans for next year Ken shared about back to back events on a weekend that people enjoyed  
Lots of discussion of multiple events and possible locations including Auto City  
Alex said he would put on the calendar
- Road Rally (Piotr)
  - POR budget – shared last month Alex made the motion, Greg seconded and the budget was approved by voice vote
  - Moonlight Monte (Oct 14) – Budget performance reviewed
  - Pavement Ends (Nov 11) – Discussion of bringing in novices  
Discussion of cross-selling to solo/autocross and other programs  
Motion to approve the change by Alex and second by Nick A in fees for novices in the novice class in Road Rally Will issue refunds after the rally – Piotr will reach out to Tammy Breece to

see if she can offer free registration to novices -- approved by voice vote  
Discussion of social events during the rally – need location and time and Greg can bring donuts and coffee  
Discussion of promotion

- Son of SnoDrift in January 2024 – budget approved and waiting for sanctions – National office is negotiating insurance fees and will be available in mid-December
- Ken noted that he wants to put on a charity rally in 2025 for ALS
- Piotr working on finding replacement in 2025

Rallycross (Matt W.) Will send update Thursday Oct 12

- Fall Colors Tarmac RallyCross (Nov 4) resubmission of one day budget for Milan – change in venue Discussion of price increase based on hourly rates Break-even is 70 cars and price increase for the location for updated budget Matt C moved approval and Piotr seconded and the budget was approved by voice vote
- Turkey Trot Tarmac RallyCross (Nov 18), Season Ender Tarmac RallyCross (Dec 9) Both at Milan and carbon copies Cap is 75-80
  - Started year with rate increase single day for \$60 is rate
  - Motion by Piotr and second by Gary and the motion was approved by voice vote
  - Simple answer to increasing costs is growth
  - Ankit is working on sponsorships and that is another option
  - Discussion of converting attendees at other events
- Starting 2024 scheduling – opener and March and April events - plan to have dates by Christmas
- Special Event Updates
  - Street Survival® - Fowlerville (Sep 23) Just waiting on the check
  - Empire Hill Climb (Sep 16) Brian Thompson took over and event went forward Bob Martin subbed for Mary at registration and Bruce Fisher and Ken did timing next year date should be 9/17
  - FSAE – report out by Gary - SAE is discussing the rules after an incident with a battery
- Detroit Grand Prix – loop in Pat Barber as we go
- \*Website – (Various) Alex thanked program chairs for posting – looking for central point to help with posts
- \*Social Media Discussion (Facebook) With SCCA magazine going away will need way to communicate with members Need to bring back Open Exhaust
- Matt C suggested a cohesive plan for 2024
- F & C and volunteers – shout out to Ron Cech for his first year at WHRRI
- Membership report (Sonja) We had 1467 members in October; 11 new and 13 expired and 4 returning; we currently have 1469 members. Sonja sent out 5 awards in November.

- Equipment (Ken/Ankit/Gary) Ken shared updates that it has been a tough year. Matt C needs the receipts - about \$6,000. Ken raised a number of questions about storage and trailers Committee of 7 meeting to build list and plans for equipment
- Assistant RE (open)
- RE (Alex)
  - 2024 Position Planning and critical openings (cross-training, succession planning, knowledge transfer) – continuing emphasis on succession planning
- Upcoming events:
  - Fall Colors Day/Night RallyCross (Nov 4-5)
  - Pavement Ends (Nov 11)
  - Turkey Trot Tarmac RallyCross (Nov 18)
  - Season Ender Tarmac RallyCross (Dec 9)

### 3. New Business

- Awards Banquet 2024 Discussion of Banquet and 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary planning
- Next Meeting Date Dec 13
- Discussion of get together for the Board for a social event -- consideration of Dec 18 or 19
- Discussion of Autorama and booths for promoting SCCA and road racing
  - What events are locations for recruiting members
  - Car sponsors appreciate seeing the cars at Autorama with >100,000 members
  - Nick and Gary to get together offline

### 4. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 9:44 pm