

April 17, 2023  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Location: Zoom

**Present:**

1. Alex DellaTorre
2. Cindy Wisner
3. Greg Valade
4. Matt Wolfe
5. Gary Godula
6. Ed Arthur
7. Nick Aranda
8. Piotr Roszczenko
9. Andie Wolfe
10. Ankit Mathur

Sonja Marie (Membership)  
Eric Penn (Street Survival)  
Patrick Barber (Detroit Grand Prix)

**Not Attending:**

Solo/AutoCross Director voted in  
Matt Conklin  
Cade Wilson

The April monthly meeting of the Board of the Detroit Region of the Sports Car Club of America was rescheduled from April 12 to April 17.

The Zoom Meeting was called to order at 6:09pm. The meeting began with 10 voting members in attendance – with 9 voting members constituting a quorum.

**1. Current Business and Online Business**

Motion by Alex and second by Ed. Motion passed by voice vote to ratify all actions taken during the first 3 months of 2023 as reflected in the minutes of the first three monthly board meetings when a quorum was not present.

Motion by Greg and second by Piotr. Motion passed by voice vote to approve March BOD meeting minutes.

Motion by Alex and second by Piotr. Motion passed by voice vote to appoint Greg Valade as Solo Director.

Motion by Alex and second by Piotr. Motion passed by voice vote to appoint Eric Penn to BOD as Director at Large (last item of meeting)

## **Treasurer/Finance\_ Monthly Report\_ Investment**

- Financial Report and Investments (Matt C.)  
Ankit reported for Matt C.: there is a small deficit year to date and \$6500 expenses during the month of March. Financial reports were emailed to board members.  
Income taxes have been prepared for the year. There was discussion about the need for the return to be signed and submitted April 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Equipment Inventory/Insurance Update (Ankit)  
Ankit shared updates to the Club's equipment inventory and plans for additional updates

## **2. Reports**

**Detroit Grand Prix June 2-4 (Patrick)** Budget was presented. Andi moved and Greg seconded and grand prix budget was approved by voice vote.

**FSAE MIS May 17-20 (Ed)** The FSAE budget was approved via email

Invoice was sent to FSAE and is awaiting final approval

Alex discussed the second event request from FSAE. Alex asked board meeting attendees to consider how we can support the June event – he will say no this year – can we determine if we can provide support and raise revenue

Ed shared information about the SCCA trailer Kaley is dealing directly with national for the trailer The event and DRSCCA are exploring if trailer is needed due to costs.

**Street Survival®\_ May 27, 2023\_ Schoolcraft; Fowlerville\_ September 23, 2023 (Eric)**

Registration is live for students and volunteers for May 27. Eric reported on the Schoolcraft event – volunteers are being solicited

The fire dept is bringing the water truck to water down the site – we provide food for the fire dept. Eric also described the Fowlerville event and supplies

**\*Empire Hill Climb Sep 16\* (Alex)**

Awaiting final budget to close out. We support via volunteers and are reimbursed by pass-through of costs – Alex noted that the event is worth seeing at least once and participating at least twice

**Equipment (Ankit)** Ankit noted the need to verify inventory for insurance. We will seek competitive insurance quotes for next year. Driver lists need clean-out/update on the insurance policy. Ankit will send out the list again and requests feedback. We need to schedule equipment inventory and vehicle clean-outs. (Ankit/Ken/Gary) *Funmover update:* John checked on it April 7 - thought someone cut off cat converters – they stole resonator. We are thinking the replacement cost is below the deductible

Concerns were expressed about the equipment downtown for Grand Prix

It was noted that we will want to ensure enough insurance coverage by early June

**F&C (Cindy)** Fire school 37 attendees. Flagging school coming up April 27-28.

WHRRRI has a promotion for flaggers -- OTD for attending flagging school and for flagging – WHRRRI

**Membership report (Sonja)** We currently have 1463 members. We had 35 new, 20 expired, 5 transferred out of region = 10 total new members for the month. We mailed 33 Service Awards for April. Members receive awards for 5 years up to 55 years

Alex calls the service award recipients – thanks them for being members

Would others be open to making phone calls? Sonja, Ed, Cindy and Alex will make calls Andi shared that after 50 years of paid membership the next years are “free.”

**\*Website** – Website is being updated Alex asked if any updates are required? Still need a champion. Alex noted he would like a director at large to take over the website

**\*Social Media (Facebook)** (Alex report for Cade) Cade is doing social media posts

He is looking for info Alex is looking for the email to recirculate

### **Asst. RE (Andie)**

Banquet over budget with a service fee and subsidized attendance – brought in 1200 more in \$\$\$. Higher than expected were tax and service fee gratuity – above 10 % We were close to budget for attendees, but unfortunately had some drop after the head count was due to the venue, so while we had 81 paid attendees, we paid for 93. That coupled with the \$4 subsidy on each registration contributed \$576 to the loss.

A service charge totaling \$1,155.66 popped up on the banquet invoice that was neither budgeted for nor expected. This will be accounted for if we hold the event at this venue in the future.

There were some areas where we missed by a few hundred dollars. There were also areas where we saved a few hundred dollars. Chairman gifts and programs were areas Andi reported she is proud of.

Cindy moves approve to exceed the budget and Gary seconds Motion approved by voice vote.

### **2023 Annual Membership Meeting -- Review**

For the virtual membership meeting Andi reported that she expensed gift cards for membership meeting door prizes Attendance was higher than expected

Andi also reported re the Grand Prix - the DGP has finished paddock concrete and is continuing updates to the road Andi is taking care of Grand Prix sanctions on behalf of Patrick

### **Director at large projects (Cade, Gary, Greg, Ed)\***

Special Event Updates

Competition School (Alex) 38 students, 20 for SCCA licenses.

### **Club Racing (Nick/Alex)**

Competition School (April 15, 29-30)

Waterford Regional (May 27-28)

Nick reported that sanctions were submitted for the event in May - Mary and Jerry to turn on registration

Working with S Bend on races at Gingerman in July and September

38 students in driving school majority getting SCCA licenses 20 DRSCCA members

Some just running WHRRI –

## **Road Rally (Piotr)**

Piotr reported that there are no events for a while  
We have a gap until Sept  
He is planning to open registration for POR soon

## **Rallycross (Matt W.)**

Matt – screen shared close out Milan March Madness \$79 surplus  
April – Milan too / not as many cancellations 79 total entries – close to record for single day rallycross. \$892 surplus for this rally  
New budget First ever rallycross school at Autocity Speedway in May  
Shooting for 1:1 instructors/student ratio and 25 students  
Hoping to bring students in – those who want to try and are not comfortable to jump into competition There is a fee for instructors to instruct and drive their own cars  
Instructors will get their money worth He is obtaining sponsorship with a member – will keep costs down and help with site rental costs - will provide food too  
This site is the most expensive but best site – dust control and more  
Projecting break even – not looking to make \$\$ on the event  
Greg moves and Gary seconds motion to approve the budget. Motion approved by voice vote  
Matt and Ken are working on equipment for the school  
Matt is ok to running school without timing – Ed, Gary, Ken and Matt will work out the equipment. May need gator and cones. New cones have come in – should have enough cones for the events this year.  
Potential May date at Milan was declined due to conflicts with other events, including Street Survival and Waterford Regional Road Race  
March Madness RallyCross actual budget for review

## **Solo (Greg)**

Discussion of proposed \$5 increase for weekend memberships and solo planning group felt the increase is reasonable – Greg is adding the increase and presenting revised budgets for the first two events Both revised for increased National Office weekend membership to \$20 total, \$5 to region. There is a surplus increase of \$200 for the club  
Greg shared amended season opener 5/28 budget inline with prior year with reduced fees due to Street Survival the day before. Gary moves Piotr seconds and the budget is approved with voice vote  
Next budget is 4th of July with same changes - no reduced event fee Again Gary moves Piotr seconds and the budget is approved with voice vote  
Great job by Greg to update the budgets and will get registration open in next couple days Planning meetings are going well with regular attendance event chairs regularly attending.

## **RE Report (Alex)**

Report on first social event – promoted the event – had some attendance  
Alex requests we continue promoting social events as a member benefit

Nick noted that at the WHRRI Regional there will be paddock food on Saturday: hot dog, lunch and dish to pass Nick has \$\$ in budget for dinner and beverages

July 2 Autocross social event at Schoolcraft

Alex obtained Find Your Fun brochures from National Office to promote all SCCA activities.

Last item – digital brochure and pdf of event calendar is on website

There is a new national logo – getting away from wired wheel

## **Social Events**

- o Region 75 th Anniversary – report deferred to next month

- o Road Racing May 27 (WHRRI), AutoCross Jul 2 (Schoolcraft),

- o RoadRally Nov 11 (Whitmore Lake)

## **3. New Business**

Note that there is an increase of \$2 Booking Fee MSR

SCCA promotional booth at Detroit Grand Prix opportunity. Will need 12 volunteers to staff.

Next Meeting Date May 10 - Location ZOOM

Board voted to continue monthly meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed of each month, move start to 6:30 pm.

2 Virtual, 1 in-person per quarter.

Meeting adjourned at 8:41 pm