

Board of Directors Meeting
7:00 p.m.,
The Box Bar & Grille, Plymouth, MI

Attendees: Jennifer Glass, Scott Harvey Jr., Sue Wiedbusch, Ken Wiedbusch, John Lisiecki, Nathan Usher, Aaron Usher, Eric Penn, Jennifer Merideth, Mike Nienhuis, Adam Jacob, Frank Putman, Pat Barber, Jerry Shiloff, Steve Balanecki, Jeremiah Mauricio, John Li

Minutes:

1. Meeting minute approval. - Approved on line
2. Current Business & Follow up from Online Business
 - a. Follow up on Assistant RE selection - Dr. Jennifer Glass has accepted the position and advised she may need some assistance. Jennifer M. informed her that she would help as needed and informed us that the Tech Shop may be available for the general membership meeting in March.
 - b. Award recipient finalization
 - i. Ira Garfunkel - Sean Grogan had been nominated to receive this award which was supported.
 - ii. Tom Hallock - Keith Armitage received the support for this award.
 - c. Director Budgets - Annual
 - i. Assistant RE - Jennifer Glass informed us that she will submit her budget on line for review and approval.
 - ii. RE - Pat B. presented his budget. Jerry S. moved to accept it as submitted and Steve B. seconded the motion. Pat informed us that he has the merchandise and displays. Ken W. recommended that we seek a member willing to accept the responsibility of Chief of Merchandise who could attend the events to offer patches, pins, etc. for sale. The budget was approved.
 - iii. Treasurer - Aaron Usher presented his budget. Jerry S. moved to accept the budget and Jennifer M. seconded the motion. It was approved.
 - iv. Secretary - Steve B. presented the budget. Ken W. moved to accept the budget and Jennifer M. seconded the motion. Pat B. recommended that the cost of printing and postage be doubled to allow for the expense of a possible special ballot this year. Ken W. moved to accept the revised budget and Mike N. seconded the motion. It was approved.
 - v. Open Exhaust Editor - Mike N. presented his budget and expressed his regret that only one newsletter was published last year. Steve B. moved to accept the budget and Ken W. seconded the motion. It was approved.
 - vi. Race Director - Jerry S. presented his budget. Ken W. inquired about the expense related to the sound meter and Jerry S. informed us that we had two meters but one was damaged beyond repair a couple of years ago due to being submerged in water due to a flood. A question was raised regarding the cost to repair the clocks and the turn-around time. A discussion ensued regarding replacing the meter and it was agreed that we do not require two meters. Pt B. recommended we rent a meter if one is needed in the future rather than purchasing one. An inquiry was made regarding the line item for vehicle insurance and it was agreed that we need to identify what vehicles are covered under this insurance policy. Steve B. moved to accept the budget and Jennifer M. seconded the motion. The budget was approved.
 - vii. Solo - Jeremiah M. presented his budget. The significant increase over last year's budget provides an allocation to purchase new timing equipment. Jeremiah indicated he is considering wireless equipment. All other line items are carried over from last year. Jerry S. moved to accept the budget and Jennifer G. seconded the motion. The budget was approved.
 - viii. Rally - Ken W. presented his budget. He informed us that he did not need to purchase supplies last year as there were enough remaining from the prior year and the remaining items are basically carried over from last year. Jerry S. moved to accept the budget and Mike N. seconded the motion. A discussion ensued about

including a line item to purchase new clocks to ensure we have a sufficient number of back ups. Pat B. recommended we purchase them as needed and Scott H. informed us that two Time Wise clocks failed at last Saturday's rally. The budget was approved as submitted.

- ix. Rallycross - Nathan U. presented his budget. The expense for replacing the limited slip differential on the RV was increased from \$1,250 to \$1,800 per Ken W.'s recommendation. Jennifer G. moved to accept the revised budget and Jennifer M. seconded the motion. The revised budget was approved.
- x. Chief of Membership - Steve B. presented the budget. Jerry S. moved to accept the budget and Jeremiah M. seconded the motion. It was approved.
- d. 2015 Director Information - Steve B. provided copies of the form that is sent to headquarters listing the directors and their contact information. He requested each director to verify the information for accuracy. Ken W. requested his home telephone number be deleted from the form. Jennifer G.'s information will be displayed for the Assistant RE. Steve recommended that if any changes are made to the contact information during the year that he be notified so a revised form could be sent to headquarters.
- e. By Law Revisions - Pat B. informed us that he and Steve B. had reviewed and discussed the process of submitting and approving any proposed revisions. There are two options to approve any submitted revisions; one, by a vote at a general membership meeting and the other by mailing a special ballot to each member. It was agreed that the current proposed revisions will be submitted for a vote at the general membership meeting to be held in March. Notification of the vote will be included with the announcement in the invitation to the general membership meeting.

3. Reports

- a. Asst. RE
 - i. Award's Banquet Update - Jennifer M. is currently working on the banquet program and needs the names of each of the event chairpersons from the directors of each specialty. She needs the names of any member who received a national, divisional, or regional trophy. The year's event calendar could be included in the program depending on the available space.
 - 1. The individual trophies will be ordered tomorrow.
 - 2. Pat B. will have the plaques engraved to be attached to the permanent trophies.
 - b. Race - Jerry S. advised us that we are co-hosting two races this year and he is seeking chairmen for Timing & Scoring and for the wreckers/flat tows. Eric P. inquired about holding a PDX this year, possibly at Waterford Hills. Jerry S. informed us that Doug Anthony is in charge of the track rentals at Waterford and would need to be contacted for available dates. It was also suggested that we consider co-hosting it with another group at another venue. Jerry S. informed us that he has been contacted by Milan Raceway to host an event. He stated that the facility is not a sanctioned track by SCCA but will inquire about pricing.
 - c. Rallycross - Nathan U. informed us that the event earlier this month had many last minute cancellations due to the weather, but did have 30 entrants. The course was good and the low turnout allowed for more runs for those who were there.
 - i. He informed us that there is a conflict with the dates for the scheduled Great Lakes National Challenge event on July 25 & 26. He stated that there is a Red Bull Global Rallycross on their schedule indicating it will be held in Detroit. No further information was available. Jerry S. informed us that the Vintage Race at Waterford Hills is also scheduled for that weekend. He is not planning to change our information as Red Bull has cancelled events in this area and this year's event may also be cancelled.
 - ii. Nathan stated that we may have to shuffle our events scheduled in September or October as the National Rallycross Championship may conflict with our schedule. The date and location of the championship event have not been announced.
 - d. Rally - Ken W. informed us that the first rally of the year was held last Saturday, chaired by Scott H. Scott informed us that he was disappointed with the lack of entrants. He informed us that 17 vehicles participated which was the lowest turnout in the history of this event. He cannot explain the reason for the low turnout as the roads were in good condition and there

were plenty of workers. He informed us that the event did lose money this year, but not as much as last year's event.

- i. Ken W. stated that the only firm dates for events this year are for the rally school and for POR. We had 9 rallies last year. A discussion ensued about holding rallies on other than Saturday and possibly not as lengthy. John Li informed us that he had attended rallies held on Friday nights and Sunday afternoons which lasted only a few hours. He mentioned that some of his friends do not want to participate in rallies that last more than a few hours. John would be willing to assist with shorter rallies.
- e. Solo - Jeremiah M. is currently working on the schedule, trying to stay away from the Silverdome as the pavement is more suitable for a rallycross than for a solo event. He is considering using Belle Isle and Oscoda more this year. Frank P. suggested that Schoolcraft College could be considered as a possible site. Eric P. advised that it is a tight location, similar to Belle Isle, and space is limited for a paddock area.
 - i. Pat B. informed us that Lake Superior Region is co-hosting the Yooper Cup with SVR on June 13 & 14 near Brimley, MI. He stated that a few of our members have traveled to this event in the past.
- f. Equipment
 - i. Coverage for FSAE - Mike N. reported that he had spoken with Mike McClintock regarding his plans for FSAE. He stated that Mike McC. is planning on attending the event but will not be able to lift anything, so will need assistance with getting the equipment to the site and setting it up. Mike McC. requested we purchase 200 new cones to be used at the event and a discussion ensued with the recommendation that we increase this amount to 300. Jerry S. moved to order the 300 cones and Mike N. seconded the proposal. The motion was approved and Aaron U. will place the order for the cones and have them shipped to the same location as used in the past. Once they are delivered, assistance will be needed to move them to the storage facility.
- g. Membership report - Steve B. informed us that we have 1,300 members as of this morning, eleven less than last month. We gained nine new members, which means that twenty members either did not renew their membership or transferred to another region.
 - i. Six service awards were mailed this month.
 - ii. The 2015 membership directory is nearly complete and will be offered in an electronic version only this year, as we have many printed directories left over again from last year.
- h. Treasurer - Aaron reported that he had emailed the reports to everyone last week. There was not much activity in December. He needs to update the check authorization forms with the bank, as well as the Michigan 503c forms. He dropped the files off to the auditor this past Sunday and everything looks good so far. The auditor did question a missing receipt from I-96 Speedway for the Rallycross held last October. Aaron informed us that the owner of I-96 Speedway is getting a divorce and the check was cashed by his wife. Nathan informed us that he will discuss getting a receipt from the owner at next month's event. Aaron informed us that checks for future events will be made out in the owner's name rather than I-96 Speedway to prevent this from occurring.
- i. Website - John Li reported that he is nearly ready to make the move to the new website. He doesn't have full access to the forums on the current website and needs to review with Brian Danielson about how to move the forums. Pat B. recommended that everyone in the room needs to review the new site and provide any feedback to John. Pat would like to announce the move to the new site in early February. John Li indicated that a banner notification can be displayed on the current homepage directing members to the new site. All reviews should be completed within the next 2 weeks to allow us to transition to the new site next month. All board members need to register on the new site. Steve B. inquired if we would be able to upload our own files (worker points spreadsheet as an example) rather than needing to request them be uploaded by an administrator. John Li informed us that we can be granted administration access to allow this to occur.
- j. RE - Pat B. provided us his opinion of the agenda for the National Convention. He expressed concern that the event has been shortened from 3 days to 2 days and that the content is much less than at previous conventions. He stated that it appears the SCCA is more focused on increasing attendance at the MSX Expo rather than on the SCCA. A

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discussion ensued and Pat mentioned that he may not have registered if he had reviewed the agenda prior to registering and making travel arrangements.

- k. Open Exhaust - Mike N. had nothing to report.
4. Calendar Review - The event calendar through April was reviewed and a few corrections were mentioned.
5. New Business
 - a. Event budgets
 - i. Rallycross - Nathan U. presented the budget for Rallycross #3 scheduled for March 14th at Oakshade, chaired by Jon Armstrong. Jerry S. moved to accept the budget and Steve B. seconded the motion. The budget was approved.
 - ii. Rally - Ken W. presented the budget for the Rally School to be held on March 28th and chaired by John Fishbeck. Jerry S. moved to accept the budget and Steve B. seconded the motion. The budget was approved.
 - iii. Equipment - Ken W. presented a budget for materials to increase the storage capacity of the RV. Steve B. moved to accept the budget and Jerry S. seconded the motion. The budget was approved.
 - b. Solo - Frank P. informed us that he was approached by Ford to put on a team building exercise for Ford Powertrain management. They want an autocross type event for 20 - 30 managers. A discussion ensued and it was mentioned that we have done something similar in the past. It was suggested that this be scheduled sometime this Spring, during the week. Pat B. wondered how many Ford employees were present and discovered that about half of the board members are Ford employees. Jennifer M. mentioned that this could be held as a special event and has been profitable for us in the past. Pat B. recommended that we continue the discussion with Ford, as we are interested in supporting this event, and find out what location they are considering for the event.
6. February BOD meeting
 - a. February 11, 2015 at Box Bar & Grille, Plymouth, MI
7. Adjourned - 9:24 PM