

October 8, 2014

Board of Directors Meeting
7:00 p.m.,
Hogan's Restaurant, Bloomfield Hills, MI

Meeting Minutes

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

1. October meeting minutes approved on line
2. Current Business & Follow up from Online Business - None
3. Reports
 - a. Equipment
 - i. Pat B. inquired if the water based fire extinguishers stored in the race trailer have been winterized considering the weather forecast for the upcoming week. Jerry S. phoned Bob Martin who advised that he will take care winterizing them.
 - ii. Jeremiah M. informed us that he found a source for reflective tape that was discussed at a previous meeting to be used to mark cones used in day/night rallycross events. He advised us that he found 100 foot rolls of the tape, 3 to 4 inches in width for \$60.00 per roll. No decision was made regarding the purchase.
 - iii. Ken W. advised us that the renovation of the motor home is still in process.
 - iv. Ken W. informed us that Mike McClintock had contacted him about the solo timing equipment that needs to be refurbished. Ken informed us that he will have time in the Spring to take care of this equipment.
 - b. Rally
 - i. Aaron U. informed us that the Pavement Ends rally is going to be fun. He has the documents finished and currently has three confirmed workers.
 - c. Rallycross
 - i. Nathan U. advised us that the last event had 45 entries and had twelve runs versus the usual eight.
 - ii. Nathan informed us that the next event scheduled for this coming Saturday has 48 entrants.
 - d. Membership report
 - i. Steve B. reported that we have 1,317 members as of this morning, an increase of 11 since the last meeting. We added 43 new members since the last meeting, however 32 members either did not renew their membership or transferred to another region. At least half of the new members attended the Street Survival School. Headquarters sent out their October results and we are not in the top 3 for growth and retention. We are have had 6.7% growth and 80% retention.
 - ii. Three service awards were mailed at the beginning of the month.
 - e. Treasurer
 - i. Aaron informed us that the financial reports had been emailed to us previously. No event workbooks were processed in October but some are starting to arrive to process now.
 - ii. He emailed a list of our inventory for review and received one correction. Jennifer M. informed us that she does have a set of scales in her garage, just the scales without any ramps.
 - iii. Aaron inquired about filing our 2014 annual paperwork with the State of Michigan. Pat believes this has been done but will verify that it was submitted. He will submit it if it has not already been done.
 - f. Assistant RE
 - i. Jennifer M. began a discussion regarding the annual banquet, particularly the date. We provided a tentative date of January 17, 2015,

to the membership via the recent ballot. The general consensus was to hold it on January 24, 2015.

- g. Website
 - i. Pat B. informed us that he was advised that the progress was slower than expected as John Li was concentrating on purchasing a new vehicle. He expressed his hope that the transition from our current website to the new one could occur between Christmas and New Years day.
 - ii. John Li requested ideas on how to archive our current data (format) and is currently updating content on the new site.
 - h. Solo
 - i. Jeremiah M. stated that he has a tentative schedule for next year but it is not ready to be published. He informed us that Mick McClintock advised him that Michigan International Speedway may be available as possible site, maybe combined with another event.
 - ii. Jeremiah presented us a chart of participation at the events from 2011 through 2014.
 - i. Race
 - i. Jerry S. informed us that he attended the GLDiv scheduling meeting held in Dayton, OH this past Saturday. There were no changes to the SCCA events on the tentative schedule he provided us at last month's meeting. He informed us that Waterford Hills has not finalized their schedule as they may change the date for their Vintage Race, possibly to the first weekend in August, due to a conflict with the Vintage Race at Watkins Glen. Steve B. and Ed A. advised him that moving the race to the first weekend in August would conflict with the Pro Races at Mid Ohio which could impact the number of available turn marshals and other volunteers. Jerry will have the schedule posted on the website after November 18th when he expects Waterford Hills to finalize their schedule.
 - ii. Jerry informed us that he has agreed to remain the Chief Steward at Waterford Hills for 2015.
 - j. RE
 - i. Pat B. reminded us that he has eight file drawers of historical region information (Open Exhaust newsletters, charters, etc.) and needs to have the material removed from his house. He also informed us that he would appreciate some assistance in determining what materials should be retained and what should be thrown away. He informed us that his is willing to host a party (pizza & refreshments) at his home for anyone willing to review the materials for disposition. It was recommended during the ensuing discussion that the party be scheduled in February 2015.
 - k. Open Exhaust
 - i. Mike N. informed us that he still does not have enough material to publish a newsletter. He suggested that sending him the finalized event schedules for all series may provide enough material to finally publish a newsletter.
 - l. Tire Rack Street Survival
 - i. Eric P. informed us that he received a check for \$600 from headquarters for hosting the recent event held in Fowlerville. As the check was made out to both the region and himself, he signed the check and gave it to Aaron to deposit.
4. Calendar Review
- a. Pat B. provided us copies of our calendar for the next three months. The following items were added to the 2015 calendar.
 - i. Rallycross #1 at Crystal, scheduled for January 3rd
 - ii. Son of Snow Drift Rally scheduled for January 10th
 - iii. Awards Banquet scheduled for January 24th
 - iv. Snow Drift Rally scheduled for January 29th through 31st
5. New Business
- a. By Law Proposal for the elimination of term limits for Appointed Directors

- i. Steve B. presented the proposed revision. Jennifer M. recommended that the statement relating to limiting an officer to "no more than 3 consecutive fiscal years" should be removed, informing us that if an RE desires to serve six years then they should be able to do so. During the ensuing discussion, Scott H. stated that he felt having a treasurer being able to remain in that position for more than 3 years would be more of a benefit to the club. Jennifer M. moved to accept the proposed revision after removing the sentence about the 3 consecutive fiscal year limitation. Scott H. seconded the motion. It was passed with three members opposing. Pat B. informed us that he would like to get this on a ballot for the membership to vote on prior to the end of the year.
- b. By Law Proposal for the creation of a Financial Director
 - i. A discussion ensued about the purpose of having a Financial Director, reviewing the current by laws, what would need to be rewritten and approved. Pat B. informed us that he would like to have a written proposal that could be included on the same ballot with the revised proposal eliminating term limits for appointed directors. It was agreed that the financial director would be appointed as a thirteenth director and would have voting privileges. Mike N. will investigate what by laws would need to be revised and draft a proposal to be submitted in the on line forum for discussion and approval. Pat B. expressed a desire to have the ballot results before the end of the year. During a discussion on the timing, Aaron U. read the requirements for submitting the ballot for general membership approval. As the proposals need to be submitted to the general membership prior to a ballot being mailed, it was recommended that a general membership meeting be held the same day as the annual banquet, about an hour before the start of the banquet.
 - 1) Jennifer M. moved to revise Article VIII, Section 1: Signatories to eliminate the dollar amount shown in Event budgets. Scott H. seconded the proposal and it was approved unanimously.
- c. Event Budgets
 - i. Pat B. presented a Draft Purchase Order sent to him from Mike McClintock for Formula SAE (FSAE). The purchased order listed equipment that we would provide to support FSAE and the total expense for providing the equipment. Mike suggested that the total amount submitted for payment by SAE be increased from \$11,000.00 to \$11,200.00. Jennifer M. suggested that the cost shown for rental of our RV should be eliminated as we do not include that expense on any of our event budgets. Steve B. made a motion to approve the purchase order with the suggested changes and Jerry S. seconded the motion. It was approved.
 - ii. Nathan U. presented the proposed budget for the rallycross scheduled for January 3, 2015, at Crystal. He indicated that the figures shown under last year's actual were not from 2014 and the actual budget may be lower. Jerry S. moved to approve the budget, Scott H. seconded his motion and the budget was approved.
 - iii. Ken W. informed us that he has not received the file from the Clare Color Tour Rally and the results have not been posted.
 - iv. Jennifer M. suggested that we change the format when reporting entry fees for solo events recommended to her by Frank P. She suggested that the report be revised to reduce the number of lines from the current 8 to 2 lines. During the following discussion, it was agreed that the reports could be revised to more closely match the forms submitted by the other series.
- d. Election Results
 - i. Steve B. presented the results of the recent ballot for members of the board of directors for 2015. One hundred fifty ballots (11.5%) were returned. Patrick Barber received 93 votes, Jennifer Glass received 97 votes, John Kytasty received 62 votes, John Lisiecki received 94 votes, Eric Penn received 104 votes, Brian Sumeracki received 26 votes, and Cynthia Wisner received 68 votes. As a result of the vote, the four

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individuals elected to the 2015 board of directors are Patrick Barber, Jennifer Glass, John Lisiecki and Eric Penn. Steve B. will send the board members and the nominees an email with the results and post the results on the website forum after sending the email.

e. Annual Awards

- i. Pat B. is requesting input from the event directors with recommendations for nominees for our annual awards, i.e., Ira Garfunkel, Karl Pel, etc. As the Tom Hallock award is presented to an individual who has been a member for two years or less, Steve B. will send a list of members who are eligible to all directors. Scott H. informed us that he had sent a photo of Tom Hallock during an event in Put-in-Bay to Steve B. and suggested it could be incorporated into a replacement trophy. Pat B. informed us that all of the perpetual trophies are currently stored in his closet and a discussion ensued about finding a location to store them rather than Pat's closet.
- ii. Jerry S. informed us that there will be no national race awards to be given out at the banquet as they were distributed at each Majors race and the Runoffs. He provided Pat with a list of members who are to receive regional awards, which will be listed in the banquet program.

6. December BOD meeting

- a. Meeting Location - Box Bar & Grille, 777 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth, MI

7. Adjourned at 9:08 PM