

# Detroit Region SCCA



May 11, 2022

Board of Directors Meeting On-the-Border, Novi, MI

**Attending:** Frank Putman; Keith Armitage; Eric Penn; Cindy Wisner, Greg Valade; Nick Aranda; Andie Wolfe; John Li; Piotr R; Ken Wiedbusch; Matt Wolfe

**Absent:** Steve Balanecki; Greg Valade; Matt Conklin; Alex Dela Torre; Cade Wilson; Ankit Mathur

The DRSCCA Board meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm.

1. Current Business and Online Business

- April 2022 BOD Meeting Minutes approved online THANKS
- Trophy Display Updates: Lingenfelter proposal discussion deferred
- Website Management Discussion and Updates **Frank R advised that we need Program schedules updated online**
- Event Management Review The attendees discussed the awarding of worker points. The review and discussion included discussion of changes to workbooks **The keeper of worker points: Steve B. knows how to do this and he will need prompt information regarding updates to awarding of worker points**
- Membership Event\_ Summer Picnic or other activity\_ Planning Committee, Chair (Cade) **An update is needed from Cade and the committee– The Board needs a date and location to announce and promote**

2. Reports (including new/updated 2021/2022 Event Budgets and follow up final budgets)

- Race
  - WHRRI Drivers School\_ Apr 16, 23-24\_ Waterford Hills\_ Recap went well graduated new competitors
  - Det/SBR Double Regional\_ May 13-15\_ GingerMan 102 driver entries
  - Det/WHRRI Double Regional\_ May 28-29\_ Waterford Hills starting strong
  - Transponder Initiative Update Nick coordinating with Cade and Alex
- Rallycross
  - Seeking site for school unable to secure Saginaw until late Fall
  - Checking on Milan
  - #4 Clio/ Auto City Test\_ square here – got re-issued check new GPS format is easier to change
  - #5 Freedom Rings RallyX\_ Jul 2-3\_ I 96 Speedway\_ Lake Odessa
  - Event Updates\_ Haven Hill back burner no headway yet
  - Sept Rallycross conflicts with Empire and will be rescheduled
- Solo
  - Discussion about contracts with MIS and John to send to Frank
  - 1 Season Opener\_ April 24\_ MIS\_ Cancelled
  - #2 Memorial Day Solo\_ May 29\_ Schoolcraft all figured out for May fire extinguishers will be inspected next Wed at Thistle Hill
  - #3 Practice/ Test N Tune\_ Jun 17-19\_ Oscoda\_ Update
  - #4 Summer Heat Solo\_ July 3\_ Schoolcraft
- Rally
  - Twilight Tour TSD Rally\_ Apr 16\_ South Lyon\_ RecapFinal Budget went very well 18 cars last minute change with water over the road and dominoed into timing
  - Milk Run TSD Rally\_ Divisional\_ May 14\_ Dover, OH
  - Moonlight Monte TSD\_ Divisional\_ Jun 4\_ Chelsea

- Membership discussion
    - Regional and charity events one person in each vehicle can have a free trial -- there are no membership perks and does not apply to full membership Road Rally very interested in membership for second For road rally can be driver or navigator Want both on membership list and signing waiver car is entered – not each person One paid membership per car required
    - Trial is free** Can also sell weekend membership
  - Budget for 6-4 but moved to August 13
  - POR after on Sept 14
  - US road rally November 4, 5 6 and chairman's budget
    - budgeting for weekend membership
    - USRRC: need a rally master - Piotr is chair for now

Vote at next board meeting for November or online voting
- Asst. RE
  - Update to Region Bylaws to add electronic elections and balloting\_ In process
  - Region Status\_ BOD Meeting\_ In Person vs. Virtual
  - Maple and Hagerty – Library possible room large enough and reasonable food
    - Q re date of meeting
    - Second runner up – Rose's in Canton – Canton Center and Cherry Hill
    - Bravo -- limited to 15
    - Discussion of location

Discussion of virtual meeting – could be effective and less expensive

**Andie to set up poll and plan next meeting and location**  
**On the Border is available only this month**
- Treasurer\_ Monthly Report\_ handout by Frank from gmail from Matt **Please look at your program and look for equipment listed on the inventory**

2021 Taxes and Accountant Review - We had hoped to file by 15 May but a few items have come up. First, we had such a good year in 2021 that we can't file a 990-EZ and must now file a 990. This will increase our preparation costs \$150 (\$600 total) as the form is more detailed. Second, H.C. sent me a set of questions that didn't come through email so he resent them yesterday. Lastly, I found one last group of expenses booked in Jan-22 that related to 2021. I've let H.C. know about that issue.

Financials - That shift of expenses from 2022 to 2021 was about \$5k, so we had a surplus of about \$30k in 2021 which was better than 2019 and 2020. I've attached an income statement for YTD April 2022. We're at about a \$8k deficit which compares to a deficit of \$5k for YTD April 2021. As we discussed last month, our YTD 2022 deficit is driven by the banquet (money well spent). I also need to work with Frank on a few expenses to ensure I've categorized them properly. Profit and Loss statement shared

Earning more money on our money - I've been researching ways for us to get a better return on our money than 0.03%. Comerica doesn't seem to have other options until you have more than \$1M to work with. I also looked into switching from a basic checking account to an interest bearing checking account but the fees negate the interest earned. Bottom line, we would have to look outside of Comerica for alternative investments. I'd recommend we have a more detailed discussion at a future meeting regarding a potential investment committee to investigate further. Discussion of forming a finance committee Think about joining the finance committee

**Street survival will be under its own program – tracking revenue and expenses**

  - **Request to go through asset inventory and whittle this down** may be able to get a filing extension
    - Asset Inventory - Following up to last month's meeting. I've attached our fixed asset inventory from 2019. I'd appreciate if we could have physical count of items by Sep-22.
  - Membership report
 

We had 1,426 members as of last month's meeting and 1,451 members as of today, an increase of 25 members. We gained 39 new members since the last meeting and 14 members have allowed Frank asked board meeting attendees to please think about someone to keep workers points and membership chair

- Equipment
    - Good shape no new items for FSAE Indy car race – will have some expenses Have some spares Critical equipment is covered will need to order paper bags to deliver lunches next Tuesday will have fire extinguisher inventoried no content changes re Mervs for Detroit Fire
    - Only major expense is to restore generator in RV may install new generator rather than hauling around portable
    - Dry ice held two days at Grand Prix last year
    - Tire down for second Crystal event
    - Valve stem cracked – tire is ok
  
  - Open Exhaust need articles for Brian
    - Street Survival@\_ Schoolcraft\_ May 28 Fowlerville\_ Sep 24 25 volunteers for May event 18 students and 3 on wait list arranged fire truck -- challenge is to fit on pad John Li to follow up with Bosch
  
  - Website\_ social media additional discussion deferred
  - Special Events
    - 2022 FSAE MIS\_ May 16-21\_ Update details in progress same as 2 years ago
    - 2022 CDGPPBL\_ IMSA & Indy Car\_ Belle Isle\_ Jun 2-5\_ Registration open some headway re highlighting free participation – Miami F1 cheapest ticket was \$700 need registration for the volunteer booth
    - 2022 Empire Hill Climb\_ Sep 17, 2022\_ Update Frank emails re stop paying us for \$500 for the DRSCA RV hardwiring due to the terrain Will still have displays for wires
    - AutoRama\_ Mar 4-6, 2022\_ TFC Center\_ Final Budget handed out last year cancelled bought power talked to a lot of people emptied handouts boxes to those interested 20000 stickers and 500 flyers
      - request for pics on website from autorama maybe next year – options to participate
  - Worker point form discussion
    - program directors review of points awarding – there is leeway as event chairs
    - discussion about reasons to award worker points – e.g., set up and take down
    - discussion about worker points are adding up
3. New Business
- New Business/walk-ins/comments. None were noted
  - Next Meeting Date and Location\_ Jun 11\_ TBD be sure to vote online re virtual meeting
4. Adjourn The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:30 pm