

Detroit Region SCCA



November 9, 2022
Board of Directors Meeting
Zoom call

Present:

- Frank Putman
- Piotr Roszczenko
- Greg Valade
- Steve Balanecki
- Nick Aranda
- Keith Armitage
- Cindy Wisner
- Eric Penn
- Andie Wolfe
- Matt Wolfe
- John Li
- Alex DellaTorre
- Matt Coughlin
- Sonja Karavla

- Not Attending:
- Ankit Mathur
- Cade Wilson
- Ken Wiedbusch
- Ed Arthur

Meeting called to order at 7:06 pm. 11 voting members have joined the meeting.
Introductions

Current and Online Business

October 2022 BOD Meeting Minutes

Minutes were posted to the forum
Motion by Alex and second by Keith
Motion passed

Trophy Display Updates

Frank and Alex are working on the display. Ken Li is ready when we are ready. Alex will connect with Frank. He is looking for ## for building a metal display. A concern is weight and transport – will the display need to be moved? Alex is not thinking ## will go up from wood quotes.

Election Discussion

Online election results 64 votes for both Matt and Alex and 14 for Matt and 17 for Alex
Total number of votes cast is 95 votes Discussion of write in candidates. Frank is advising write in candidates would violate the bylaws. Frank shared the information from national office and withheld the information about the member number and member name. Frank reviewed the officer election procedure and the matrix for terms. Frank

reviewed the voting and RE nominations and selection of the program directors and non-voting positions in the region.

Program Reports

Race Report - Nick Aranda

2023 calendar just sent out
Regions are jockeying for positions
South Bend, FSAE and then double regional at Waterford and next week at Grand Prix - question about event at Waterford and if it could be held last weekend in June rather than last weekend in May

Rallycross Report - Matt Wolfe

Announcement on website and Facebook November date moved
11-19 and 20 in Milan 2-day event grass surface day 1 mixed surface day 2
Season ender in December could be shifted to auto city or Milan
Matt got invoice from I96 and will submit to close out that event
Matt asked for Great Lakes schedule to avoid conflicts
Talked with Crystal for season opener
Coordinating with Saginaw Valley because they use our region safety folks
Looking to expand offerings to include Rally Sprint program
Step up – held on same types of sites will offer in 2023
Matt will need to finalize supp rules – waiting on sanctioning and rules package
Will be an additional offering and additional revenue source
Budgets through 2022 done will need final date for Crystal to put out that budget

Solo Report - John Li

Two final budgets and one close to final
#2 Memorial Weekend
Final numbers are in the budget
Bottom line surplus of \$3200
Lots of income this year
Summer heat solo
Final numbers in
Income
Steve helped John figure out worker points
Forms submitted for first three events of the year
Bottom line made \$2800
Still figuring out Sept and Oct events
Steve B does not have worker points for Memorial Day has before nationals and summer heat
Eric and Keith approved in the online workbook John will send to Steve B
John showed before nationals – final except for the porta Johns
Last year \$1900 – roughly \$1800 for surplus this year
John double checking worker points money
Next year's schedule
United front to Schoolcraft – everyone has dates for next year
Memorial Day
July 2
Sept 24
Oct 14

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John has not yet reached out to Oscoda or MIS
Oscoda for summer events and MIS for end of season
Season ender recap—kind of a mess with wind interfering with timing
Usual problems with running at MIS – finish issues plagued the event
Everyone got 5 runs in and in before the deadline when additional charge would apply

Rally Report - Piotr Roszczenko

No final budget yet for POR – prelim budget and some expense not yet submitted
13, 16 and 18 cars – beautiful weather and good turnout A few branches and twigs after Saturday winds
Very good feedback after the rally
Bruce wants to raise level to national for next year
Last month approved budget for Son of Snow Drift and waiting for sanctions to advertise 1-14-23 is the event
Frank expressed region appreciation for the Rally

Director Reports

Assistant Regional Executive Report - Andie Wolfe

Andie is working on the location for the member meeting in March and banquet in February No report for the banquet yet
On Zoom tonight because meeting rooms are not available to meet and order from the menu Most want pre-order or buffet style
CJ's room is for January – have to pre-order and group buy
No room fee – are on the hook for food will need to discuss how to handle
Andie chased other options – Andie asked folks to find out
Pat noted that the Brass Point BBQ – in Farmington
Another option might be the Mexican place in Waterford – Mexico Lindo
Aubree's in South Lyon – hosted rallies
Keith suggested a coney island with a private room
Andie is looking at possible career change and may not be able to be RE

Regional Executive Report - Frank Putman

- Jumbo region call update
New RE will need time possibly to pick program directors
Frank noted the need to confirm a number of positions after nomination by the RE
- Region 75th Anniversary Party Mar_ Apr 2023 - will be a part not the membership meeting
50th was in 1994 – huge event with keynote speakers entertainment and party
Alex will follow up with M1 – Andie made an initial contact
- Jumbo Region Meeting Update costs are going up – likely a 10-12% increase also sanction fees will be updated ins and sanction fees will all be one going forward
Going live with ACH payment program - launching Friday
Corp info has been collected for annual report – have to send in to national office and get charter approved Our region has had tax returns and paperwork up to date

Treasurer Report

Lots of activity in October – also reflected in financials
Comparison to last month
Checks come in and are deposited - check came in for Empire and was deposited
Catch up expenses and refunds through Oct approx. \$52,000 surplus Lag in expenses
– based on trends looks like a good year if equipment or upgrades are needed that
members see these would be good inventions
Please send inventories and equipment to be written off
Need to get the list up to date
Ankit was not able to join this month. Will get update next month re Finance
Committee.

Membership Report - Steve Balanecki

We still have members. 1442 members as of last month. This month there were 1433
members. This month the Region added 5 new members, a loss of 13 members. Steve
mailed 4 service awards for November. Sonja and connected and talked about the tasks
and reports from the membership chair. Frank directed attendees attention to an article
about what SCCA membership is worth based on the experience of a member after a
crash.

Equipment Report John reported that the Fun Mover will go to winter storage this
weekend. John will look at Greg's Spring cleaning and markup and John and Greg will
connect to mark off equipment no longer viable. Frank asked Matt Wolfe to cross off
items on inventory list.

Not much Rally equipment on the inventory list. If need to upgrade need to do it now –
prices are going up.

Open Exhaust - Brian Thorpe Frank did not yet get ahold of Brian. If someone is
interested we would want to encourage them to take on the publication. We are
thinking Brian will publish a couple more issues if we get content to him.

Street Survival - Eric Penn, Keith Armitage

Street Survival will be in May at Schoolcraft and again in September @ Fowlerville
Discussion of coverage for the event – pictures were sent to the Livonia fire dept

Website and social media

No additional updates

Special Events

2023 FSAE, May 17-20 internal combustion @ MIS Ed attended the kick off – Monthly
calls and plans Electric in June 14-17

Planning Dynamic meetings in winter and monthly calls will resume in January- 2nd
Tuesday of the month

Detroit Grand Prix Many retirements planned for Grand Prix
Minimal correspondence with Michael Mandrie – focus is on getting track set up and
concrete poured We will need more discussion about location and support
Trans Am is coming back to Detroit and we will be co-host and be the host region

Pat Barber chair of pro racing will be throwing a retirement party for the Shiloffs
Would like a going away dinner – like an awards banquet
Pat showed on his screen the proposed budget
Looking at \$50 per person budget 23-25 people in attendance
Will invite all who registered in MSR for Grand Prix
Will run through MSR and set aside \$150 for gifts – leaving to Gary and EMS chiefs
Keith moves to approve and John seconds. Motion passed
Frank commented that we should not be bashful in what we ask for and in thinking of the future for the budget to Grand Prix and City of Detroit. Good benefit when there is a SCCA race as part of the Grand Prix. Reminder to request space at Grand Prix for the region.

Hill Climb not yet final budget

Autorama no additional updates at this time

New Business

Frank asked if anyone has any new business
Matt suggested that the board talk about potential for annual program budgets
Established at beginning of year – on an aggregate basis – rather than individual events as they come up
Pat Barber noted that there are 5-10 years of past budgets and there could be standards and expectations
Will allow sanctions to be pulled early and build the calendar in places where folks are searching
Idea from Andie to talk about next month Members with large point accruals – consider approaching the members for scholarship funds
We could have folks approach members with large accounts
An option might be to have the points expire
Discussion of use of points and reminders to use the points

Meeting adjourned at 9:12 pm

Next meeting will be on Wednesday, December 14th. Andie will send info about the location.