

**Indiana Region Meeting April 26, 2013**

**St. Louis, Missouri**

**Minutes**

Meeting called to order at 8:31 by Mike Godfrey, Regional Executive. Introductions were made.

**In Attendance were:**

Kay Clawson, Ft. Wayne CC, Region Treasurer  
Paul Clawson, Ft. Wayne CC, Governor  
Stanley Delagrang, Elkhart Vette Set, Governor  
Terry Garrett, Lafayette CC, Governor  
David Godfrey, Michiana CC, RCD  
Mike Godfrey, Michiana CC, RE & Proxy Governor  
Skip Holcomb, Star City Corvettes, Governor  
Jim Krebs, Anderson Corvette Association, Governor  
Bill Lapham, Corvette Indy, Webmaster  
John Morrow, Hoosier Corvette Club, Governor  
Barry Rector, Corvette Indy, Governor  
Richard Robison, Circle City CC, Governor  
Rita Robison, Circle City CC, Region Secretary  
Dick Runyan, Corvette Club of Indiana, Governor  
Sue Runyan, Ft. Wayne CC, Region Membership Director  
Barry Sanders, Derby City Corvette Club, Governor  
Joan Thuer, The Original CCCC, Governor

**Not Present:**

James Bartuska  
James Blackwell  
Ralph Clark  
Richard T. Freeman  
Terri Hawkins  
Dan Jaquess  
Alan Smith

**Guests:**

Chad Delagrang, Elkhart Vette Set  
Coleen Garrett, Lafayette CC  
Sharon Holcomb, Star City Corvettes

**Secretary's Report:** Rita Robison was asked to read the minutes from last meeting. A motion was made by Kay Clawson, and seconded by Joan Thuer, that the minutes be accepted as written.

**Treasurers' Report, Kay Clawson.** Per Kay the Region's current balance is \$12,684.63. This total reflects Regional Expenses of \$4,786.88, plus income of \$3,456.00. Expenses include reservations for Grissom events; Banquet meals and trophies. Income includes money from dues, banquet meals, the

NCCC rebate and other items. Please see attached Treasurer's Report for complete list of expenses and income.

Question regarding jackets, Mike believes it will be about \$3,000, as we gave out 50 jackets. Monies still need to come in for shirts. Mike needs to provide a list to Kay.

Paul Clawson asked how many people received jackets by working. Mike thinks the number is around 20. This has been a real success. Had about 78 – 80 people at the Awards Banquet. This number is larger than before, normally it was around 50 people.

Mike asked Kay who has not paid their sanction fees from last year. She believes the fees on old books are for Hoosier and Glass Menagerie. Hoosier believes they have paid \$288, but does not think Glass Menagerie paid, however, they do not owe the same amount that Hoosier paid, maybe \$20-30 dollars less. This is because of the rallies and less people on Sunday.

**Membership Director – Sue Runyan** – Since our February meeting, the Indiana Region has gained 32 new members. Our current membership is 1,089 regional and national is 17,326. This is an increase of 527 new members. Our largest club is Ft. Wayne with 140 members.

**FCOA** – Has 130 members in our region. Hoosier Corvette has 25 FCOA members. If you have FCOA members and they are turning 16, try to get them into NCCC. Sue has a couple of governor's she will contact because they have FCOA members whose address information isn't valid, and they cannot be reached. FCOA is still talking about how to increase this membership and keep them involved. Look for FCOA to have a site on national, and for clubs to get their members into it. Per Vision Committee, FCOA thinking about giving Merit badges to help increase membership.

Everyone is doing a good job getting new members into Sue. Be sure to check and make sure the person has not been a member in the past with another club, or same club.

**On Database**, Sue sees a green light when a new member is entered and knows checks are coming within a week or so which is good. In some instances checks are not received for 4 – 5 weeks, and this is not acceptable. Membership application and check need to get to Sue within a reasonable time. Sue has a handout guide, same as given out last meeting. Sue gave these to Joan and Jim Krebs.

David Godfrey said to make sure members are entered correctly, because the competition directors use the zip codes to determine mileage points. Mileage points are now figured by entrant's zip code, no longer done by club's zip code.

Sue passed around a list with the Governor's names and address.

Sue said they had a finance report in RMD meeting Friday evening, and one thing that is being looked at are travel expenses with national officers, but she did not go into this.

She mentioned there was a problem with a life time member who went to an event, but was not accepted because no one at the event knew what their card was. Make sure you know about lifetime members. Also there was an issue with BlueBars in Governor's page, just ignore this, it wasn't suppose to be in there. Also on Governor's page you can put in a car number, but don't because it changes if you go out of region.

There was a question about how many members paid for their car numbers. Per David, more than before. Many paid for numbers at the banquet. David has 30 on list, and we have \$240 of income on

the Treasury Report for car numbers. Make sure you have that list with you when you put on an event, otherwise could get into trouble with people coming from out of region and being assigned a region number.

**By-Law changes in membership** – By-law committee did agree to approve Enthusiasts Membership. This will be a person who has never owned a corvette. Will be able to belong, vote, get Blue Bars, and maybe buy a vette later. Per Mike, they discussed this in-depth in the RE meeting, and as a result you could have Mustang club join NCCC, and could vote, but they don't have right to hold national office, but could hold club office, i.e., governor, etc. It would still be a Mustang Club, but it would be in the NCCC. Mike looks at it this way, this is only a way to try to get more money, not adding to the quality of the national council. May add to an individual club, but not council. Should have some exclusivity, at least own a corvette, or have a special interest in a corvette. Twelve MDs agreed, two were opposed.

Another by-law discussed in the membership meeting was the membership data base, and how to program this data base.

The third one discussed was a qualification request for changing #5, which talks about the new database. Specifically when a Governor puts in a new member, that person becomes a member at that time. The governor has 30 days to get the application and check to membership after new member entered, if this isn't received within 30 days, the data goes away. This allows governor's to immediately sign up a new member (i.e. at an event.), enter it into database, and receive a membership number for the new person, and they can get points, club can get points.

This person becomes a member at that time, they can get points immediately, club can get points. This will work to clubs advantage, as this will help keep new member's excitement.

Per Mike, there are some Governor's out there who hold membership for 5 – 6 months, because that way it gives a new member a year free. Technically, these people are not covered by insurance. Membership has problem with the 30 days allowed for getting competition results turned in. If the results are not in with the 30 days, the results are null. Sue objects that there is no penalty for being late turning in membership information i.e., if she doesn't get everything within 30 days, membership application goes away. Applicant becomes official member only when all of the following are met; director having all information within 30 days. This implies that if this does not happen, they are not a member. There was a question raised if any membership director ever turned down a membership. Jim Krebs stated his by-laws say hold app for 30 days to make sure member wants in, and club votes on person, but nothing is sent in until after the person is voted in. They do not get payment until after vote is taken and person is accepted.

The by-law committee has evaluated this change to the rules, and has passed this request as legal, so it will be presented to RMD's.

There was also discussion about NCCC using Paypal for accepting application money. Problem is with so many people having to handle a check before it reaches the RMD. If Paypal was used, this would simplify this issue.

Sue did state that if Governor's have problems with DB, she can help.

## **Region Competition Director - David Godfrey:**

David stated they discussed next year's rule book a lot in their meeting.

First, it was confirmed we are not allowed to use the C7 logo on anything, flyers, T-Shirts, etc. It is a license thing. Museum has some, that GM allowed them to use. Some small company is the only place on the planet able to use that logo. We can use anything up through the C6.

Jack Wilson has been busy as Business Manager, has all insurance info updated on the Website.

There was a question regarding the insurance and their e-mail address, has it changed. Some confusion there. Old one will still get it there.

Mike will get information to David regarding requirements at Grissom for the events, i.e., potties, etc. Need to make sure Roger has it ahead of time.

Paul Clawson has question regarding Certificate for Insurance. No way to e-mail, so he prints, and then scans and sends that way. Mike has converted this to a word document. Per instructions on form, fill out, print, then send. Per David, there is a file called CutePDF writer that will take care of this issue. If you have problems, contact Mike.

Per Sue, need to encourage folks to come and work Grissom in May.

Discussion about the region awarding jackets to people working events. Workers cannot earn a jacket just by doing their own event. Clubs cannot turn down people who want to work, as this is the way they earn points to get a jacket. It was mentioned that some clubs have turned workers away for whatever reason. Can never have too many workers.

Convention – did up the number of entrants for low speed, if interested get entry in ASAP. There are about 8 more sports available.

Also discussed in RCD meeting was adding safety language to rule book giving the RCDs the ability to restrict a participant in an event if they have in the past with us, or we heard from another organization they are a safety hazard, we will not allow them to run. But, it has to be documented history. If we have an incident, David needs to record it and send to VP of Comp. There are stories of participants getting ugly at events. Current rule is that we can evict for a day, now we can bar from all events. David voted no on this because he does not see how we can get info from other organizations that is reliable. We have not had issues for a long time in Indiana Region. These kind of problems are usually personality issues, when abused, result in not letting someone compete. It can just be a corner worker, but has to have caused a big problem. Richard questioned is there any recourse if event chairman can remove someone, give back their money. Chairman cannot bar someone prior to event, but if person causes issue during event, chairman has the right to asked them to leave.

There is a difference between the event chairman making a decision, as opposed to barring someone because of a past history. This is why it needs to be documented.

Regarding results, if you have Lifetime members, the "LM" designation has to be after their membership number. If a lady, has to be "LML" after their membership number.

Next year, convention is the week before Labor Day weekend. Because of this, we will not be able to do events one week before convention, or after. This is in the rule book. We now only have a one year rule

book, it is possible that rule could be changed in the future. This will impact Tire Rack next September. We can hold non-sanctioned events that weekend, no one would get points for it. But would not get the turn out. The reason for this rule is to help convention get people to come. All for helping convention, but now trying to cut back convention so they don't last as long, especially next two years. Per Jim K, not as cut back has they had hoped, will have to register and tech on Saturday and Sunday, and open hospitality on Saturday night.

Bowling Green is going to generate more people because of location. Wrong place/ time to cut back on convention. Next year could be different, it's going to be in a nice location, Savannah, GA., but may not be the draw that Bowling Green will be.

Moving on, in next year's rule book there will be changes on requirement for flyers. Not have a map, just written directions should be good enough. A "googleable" address is all you need. Some people in our region don't use computers. ☹

Passed for the next year's book, we will allow passengers' on events as young as 12 years. But per insurance for someone younger than 16, that passenger must be some relation to the driver. Need clarification on how far that relation can go. This includes normal runs. Right now if 16 with a license can ride on timed runs, but anyone younger than 16, has to be a relation to the driver. Someone has to sign the consent form for this person to ride. Reason RCDs wanted this is it will promote the corvette sport. If they were FCOA this would maybe help, because they would already be a relative.

Novices – will allow them to ride as a passenger, or another entrant to ride with a novice, even if events are not finished. Convinced people that taking a novice around does not provide any advantage when driving the course. This only applies to a card holding novice. We have not been giving those out since we always have someone at our events to ride with novices who are not competing. Per Paul, not looking at big picture. The idea is to get people to participate, it is silly to think that someone will gain an advantage by riding with someone giving them instructions.

Did pass for Group3 that C3's can upgrade to aftermarket rack and pinion if there are no other body modifications.

Also discussed was Ladies going into men's class. One person pushing this, thinks his wife can beat every one. Would really mess up points. People pushing this coming from SCAA. Suggested that if lady going to run in men's class, has to run in it all year.

Big discussion about putting men and ladies in the same classes, this would need a rule book change because it says only two people can run a car. Would be putting a restriction on how many people can share one car. Would cause issues if three people use one car. David suggested that ladies could declare they would run men's events. This would be the only way it would work if the lady declares, then she stays in that class all year. Did not pass. One region has a lady that doesn't get FTDs because she has no one to compete with, so want to change this so this person could get FTD's.

High speed license issue visited again, 10 events deemed not enough. Three proposals were presented:

Proposal #1, keep as is, 10 events over three weekends.

Proposal #2, go to a high speed school, done by region, or Bondurant, etc.

Proposal #3, up number of events needed to get high speed license, (100 events suggested.) We do not do that many events per year. They lowed this number to 40, put has to be over 5 weekends. This was

the option that was voted in. As mentioned before, it's not the new high speed drivers that have issues, it's the more experienced ones. Tried to leave at 10 events (still within the 18 months,) but it was decided that wasn't good enough, so went with 40 events over 5 weekends. It's so difficult with Putnam being the first event of the season. It was asked if we could have a driving school on Friday before Putnam, but cost is prohibitive. If we could get someone else to rent the track we might be okay. We tried this before but didn't get carry over for the weekend. It is still in rule book, can do a driving school and get a high speed license. Also asked if this is consistent with other organizations, it just depends on the organization. David thinks RCD's are terrified of new drivers going out, doing high speed and wrecking their car. RCD's sign the high speed certificate, and the RCD's could be sued. This is what the insurance is for. David asked for data on problems with new high speed drivers within one year, no one had any idea.

Health checks, were mentioned again and if their state grants them a license, we do not have the right to not let them compete. If the state does not give them a license, then it's a different story. We only run one car at a time. There are workers, and they need to pay attention. Hopefully drivers would have better judgment in that regard.

Classes for competition: As it was passed in the RCD meeting, basically taking the FTD sub-groups and combining them into each class. All C2s and C3s will be one class. All C4s one class, "H" cars will be in a class by itself, "J&Ks" will be by themselves. C6, Z06, Grand Sport, are one class. ZR1 is one class, and C1's will be a class. Group1 is going to be eliminated in all events. No discussion about C7 currently. Eliminating Group1, not Group 1-S. Group 1-S will be street only, with any width of wheel allowed with street tires. Updating and backing dating allowed within any year group. Can take Z06 engine, but into "H" car, you still have to run Z06 class, but could run as stock. Lots of things allowed in group 1S. Sticky tires will put you into Group2, Group2 can change rear end and put on headers and still be Group2. Opinion is all these changes are going to really cause havoc. These changes create discrepancies within each class.

This will not be brought up for discussion in this national meeting. This will put some people into classes for competition that they really should not be in.

C6, Grand Sport, Z06. Grand sport basically Z with lower motor, but comparable on low speed. These changes are for the 2014 rule book.

These items will be presented to the governor's in Sept because it is a rule book change. There will be another meeting at convention. If there are enough objections from the base membership, it could be brought up and re-voted on again in the RCD meeting.

Upcoming events, Vettes for Vets, Spring Fling, Poker Rally in Kentucky May 11<sup>th</sup>. Low speed May 18 & 19<sup>th</sup>, then Putnam first weekend in June.

Hoosier Corvette offered 3 sanctions to the region, which now covers Super September.

### **Old Business:**

**Region Executive – Mike Godfrey**, discussed by-law changes. Basically the by-law committee approves by-laws according to the rule, "is the proposed change legal", but do not endorse proposed changes.

The big thing was Enthusiast Member and dealing with the membership base. Looks like RMDs are looking for refinement. Want to put ownership for the DB to the VP of Membership, the VP really

controls the NCCC numbers. Eventually, The VP of Comp. will have ownership of the Competition DB. Did not want to give up ownership of membership DB to a computer. But this allows that the VP of Membership to have control over that program.

When governor enters in a new member and gets a number, that is the new member's number. All this is doing is to keep the DB from controlling a person. When changes are put out, you can make your decision.

Also discussed Jim Lawton looking for a better definition of what the RE's are doing. By-laws committee goes through changes, making sure they are correct. RE's represent the regions and how the regions should be run, ideas, etc. For the past several years, the Parliamentarian made the whole RE's group the by-law committee, which means they are no longer separate. You have someone put in a by-law change, and the committee, who are all RE's, wants to put their opinion on it. Should not be the purpose of the by-law committee. In turn, the by-law committee should present their changes to the RE's, and then they can decide. Mike suggested to Jim should only have 3 or 4 people on the by-law committee, not 13 or 14. Should not be any opinions offered, just is this change legal.

**Webmaster:** If you have suggestions or want things on the site, send to Bill. Bill asked if everyone was getting the mass mailings. Hard to tell, if you think you are missing a mass mailing let Bill know. Sometimes governor's need to look at their own webpage, check for typo's, etc., or not getting an e-mail blast, let Bill know. He may send another blast on Sunday, please respond. Bill updates regularly. When we get a new club, Bill adds them. Our e-mail address, is just a forwarding device.

Mike Godfrey gave Joan Thuer a plaque in appreciation of her efforts as past secretary. Good Job!!!

Putnam Park – we have not had a meeting on Putnam, and it feels we are disconnected. We need someone to be in charge of the workers. Jim Krebs was volunteered, and accepted. Mike asked governors to get their folks out to help.

Doing high speed / low speed. Offering worker points, plus run points. Jim asked if we have green shirts, we do, and Kay said Tom was going to order more.

Joan asked if there had been a motion to give 5 pts for workers in the past. Question was do we want to stay at the 200 point level for jackets with the pts system we have. Everyone was still in favor of the 200 points. The rebate we get is based on the 200 pt system. Workers also get travel points if workers go out of region. Anything over 200 miles you get points for. Once per day for travel points. There was discussion about retaining the 5 pts per events for workers, everyone agreed that we should continue with this practice.

Richard has the caterer taken care of for Putnam Park. This is for Saturday evening at the hotel, it is the same menu as last year. There have not been any problems with this menu, and everyone seems happy with the food.

Hotel for Putnam event, have there been any issues with the room, as far as getting one? Motel said they did not have any rooms, but Mike was able to reserve one on the web, and at a discount. Hotel does have 14 rooms left for the weekend as of Friday, April 25th. If you call, make sure you talk to the manager, a lady, Laurie. She knew there had been issues, and hopefully it is taken care of now.

Mike will probably be doing the timing at Putnam as Mary and Hal don't have timing equipment, it has been moved to Anderson, and doesn't think Anderson is ready to do Putnam. Doesn't know about

Corvette Indy, but Barry indicated no. Jim Krebs does not know what progress there is with their timing.

Per Kay, talked with Tom, has shirts approved and ordered, and going to get extra worker shirts for those who forget last years. We have to pay the balance we own to Putnam by May 1<sup>st</sup>, we owe \$10,000 and have only taken in \$6,300 at this time. Kay needs approval for up to \$3,500 to pay balance. Jim Krebs wrote up the motion for the check, and it was approved by John Morrow. Mike had flyers for the Putnam event. Reminder to Governor's to tell their people can run low speed without role bars, fire equipment. Tom wants to have pizza for the hospitality suite for people coming in. Jim will make sure workers are there. Kay provided drinks, and will do that again. Mike is ok with pizza, but don't publish it.

Issue last year Tom paid for a guard rail that was damaged. The insurance company was to take care of it, but Tom never received reimbursement for this. If they sent to Putnam, Tom still needs to be paid. Tom was worried about insurance not taking care of it, and wanted to make sure it was handled. Didn't want it to be a loop hole to get us out. Mike has talked to Jack Lawson about this, and he is to follow up. Not a large amount, but insurance company should pay.

Will run low speed first on Saturday, then high speed. On Sunday, high speed first, then low speed. David is going to take his plotter to Putnam, so he can make car numbers if participants need numbers.

Convention, one thing chairman asked was that each region provide a case of wine for the wine tasting event. Does the region want to provide a case of wine, and who would want to handle this. Region decided that we would donate a case of wine for the event at the convention. A motion was written by Jim Krebs and seconded by Paul Clawson. We will donate a case of Indiana wine.

Jim Bartuska has gotten a hold of Grissom regarding a plaque for Bud Fivecoats. This is in the process. Jim is trying to get in touch with Bud's sister.

Purdue Charity Auto Cross – good turnout. Not as many vettes, but lots of steel cars. Lafayette has received several members from this event. Chairman mentioned on Sunday they had 40 cars, 19 who had never auto crossed before. Last year we donated \$2,000.00, and Lafayette club thinks they did a little better this year. Terry does not have an official amount yet.

David said the guys from PAPA love to come out and run with our organization. Appreciate course, how well things are organized. They are our future. Thank you to Lafayette Corvette Club for doing this.

Scholarship committee, same people as mentioned last time, Barry Rector, Jennifer Lucht and Anita Rodabeck. Mike says he has several applications already and the deadline is getting close.

### **New Business**

Brown County – will be October 6<sup>th</sup>. Joan said as far as she knows this event is on, and that they want to have a committee meeting. Joan asked if Richard would do corn toss again, but he will not be available. Joan is assuming Alan Smith will put something together. Mike did not need details, but wanted to make sure someone was working on Brown County.

Richard asked about low speed driving school, no more info at this time, but will go off. Probably will be held at Lincoln Tech the beginning of August.

One other thing about the convention is we do not have a convention director, and Hal not going to appoint one. Hal going to have the Business Manager run the meetings. Cannot appoint Business Manager because cannot have an elected person be the convention advisor. Deb Murphy was the manager and is now the director for Savannah.

Mike adjourned meeting at 11:45 am.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by:

Rita Robison  
Indiana Region Secretary

**Indiana Region-Treasurer Report  
April 26,2013**

<b>Balance on Account (Feb.19, 2013)</b>	<b>\$ 14015.51</b>
<b>Income</b>	<b>\$ 3456.00</b>
<b>Less Expense</b>	<b>\$ 4786.88</b>
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<b>Balance (April 26,2013)</b>	<b>\$ 12684.63</b>

**Income:**

<b>Dues</b>	<b>\$ 35.00</b>
<b>Banquet (Meals)</b>	<b>\$ 1625.00</b>
<b>Banquet (Shirts)</b>	<b>\$ 280.00</b>
<b>Scholarships</b>	<b>\$ 500.00</b>
<b>NCCC Rebate</b>	<b>\$ 776.00</b>
<b>Reserve Car #'s</b>	<b>\$ 240.00</b>
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**Total Income: \$ 3456.00**

**Expense:**

<b>Ck# 1003 Website Domain</b>	<b>\$ 28.98</b>
<b>Ck# 1004 Milage to St Louis</b>	<b>\$ 150.40</b>
<b>Ck# 1005 Reserve 5 Grissom Events</b>	<b>\$ 1500.00</b>
<b>Ck# 1006 Milage to St Louis</b>	<b>\$ 138.75</b>
<b>Ck# 1007 Milage to St Louis</b>	<b>\$ 222.00</b>
<b>Ck# 1008 Banquet meals</b>	<b>\$ 1367.80</b>
<b>Ck# 1009 Banquet Trophies</b>	<b>\$ 1378.95</b>
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**Total Expense: \$ 4786.88**

INDIANA REGION  
MOTION PROPOSAL FORM

MEETING DATE: April 27

LOCATION: ST LOUIS

PROPOSED MOTION:

I MOVE THE INDIANA REGION TREASURER  
BE ALLOWED TO WRITE A CHECK FOR BOTANICAL  
PARK EXPENSES AS NEEDED.

MOTION PROPOSED BY: Jim Gores

GOVERNOR OF: ACA

MOTION SECONDED BY: John Manna

RECEIVED BY: Rita Robison DATE: 4/26/2012  
SECRETARY, INDIANA REGION

DATE VOTED UPON: 4/26/2013 YEA: 11 NO: \_\_\_\_\_ ABST.: \_\_\_\_\_

INDIANA REGION  
MOTION PROPOSAL FORM

MEETING DATE: April 27

LOCATION: ST LOUIS

PROPOSED MOTION:

I MOVE THE INDIANA REGION DONATE 12 BOTTLES  
OF OLIVER WINE TO THE NCCC CONVENTION, KAY  
ROBISON WILL HANDLE IT. NOT TO EXCEED \$100

MOTION PROPOSED BY: Jim Kuts

GOVERNOR OF: ACA

MOTION SECONDED BY: Paul Kay Clawson

RECEIVED BY: Rita Robison DATE: April 26, 2012  
SECRETARY, INDIANA REGION

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