

Indiana Region
April 25, 2015
St. Louis, MO

Region Officers Present:

Mike Godfrey-Region Executive, Michiana CC
David Godfrey-Region Competition Director, Michiana CC
Tammy DeWitt-Region Membership Director, Corvette Indy
Kay Clawson-Region Treasurer, Ft. Wayne CC
Rita Robison-Region Secretary, Circle City CC

Governors Present:

David Godfrey-Michiana (Proxy)
Dick Runyan-Corvette Club of Club
Jim Krebs-Anderson CC
Dan Figgins-Ft. Wayne CC
Terry Garrett-Lafayette CC
Chris Milton-Tri-State CC
Bill Borst-Star City CC
Ben Doll-Circle City CC
Butch DeWitt-Corvette Indy
John Morrow-Hoosier CC

Guests:

Paul Clawson-Ft. Wayne CC
Richard Robison-Circle City CC
Karen Figgins-Ft. Wayne CC
Sue Runyun-Ft. Wayne CC

Absent: Bill Lapham, George Buday, James Blackwell, Alan Smith, Richard Freeman, Terri Hawkins, Joan Thuer, Ralph Clark, Dan Jacques, JR Hutto

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 AM by the Region Executive, Mike Godfrey.

Secretary's Report – Rita Robison: There were two small changes to the previous meeting's minutes. These changes were made, and a revised copy will be submitted to the Webmaster for posting on the Region's website. Minutes were accepted with these changes in place.

Treasurer's Report - Kay Clawson The balance as of April 25, 2015 is \$2,728.50, The balance in February was \$7,966.51. The Region had expenses of \$6,669.01, and income of \$1,431.00 during this time frame, which results in the current balance.

- ❖ A profit and loss statement on the racing part of the Region's income was presented that shows these events are self supporting and not funded by members region dues.
- ❖ Also included was a revised profit and loss statement for the Region Awards Banquet which did end up with a small profit.
- ❖ Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented. (Copies of these reports are attached)

Membership Report – Tammy DeWitt –

- ❖ **Blue Bars**, members need to decide if they want a hard copy, or a soft copy via e-mail. Deadlines for articles in upcoming issues are May 31st, and August 31st. Electronic copies will still have all of the ads that are in the hard copy. Also, need to have updated info on any deaths within your club. There is actually a space in the DB where it can be indicated that the member has passed away.

- ❖ **New governor's** need support from the outgoing governor on how to use the DB, plus other procedures. E-mails were sent after the February meeting with instructions on how to use the DB, these were called "Cliff's" notes. The National DB administrator has made notes also. Tammy will resend her earlier e-mails. Please let her know if you do not receive them.
- ❖ **Database** has two areas that need to be marked, and these are going to be highlighted so that you know if you have entered all of the data correctly, and at time you will then be able to submit the information.
- ❖ **Membership application** that National wants everyone to use is now available on the DB. This form has more information than the previous form. Can still use your clubs form, but cannot submit it to the NCCC, they have to have their form. Because of the Post Office audits, all forms received need to be the same.
- ❖ **Membership dues**, the deadline to the National Membership Director is December 15. The RMD's deadline for dues is December 1st. This gives her time to enter the renewals and meet the December 15th requirement to National. If renewals are not to National by December 15th, the DB automatically puts in a \$10 late. To avoid this, begin your renewal process earlier in the year so these dates can be met.
- ❖ **Members at large** are entered at the National level. We have 18 in our region. National wants the Governor's to contact these MAL's to see if they would be interested in joining a club, to help retain them after the first year. Also, Governor's should check to make sure these members are only in the DB once.
- ❖ **Tire Rack** street survival course, is not a racing club, but actual driving skills for young drivers. NCCC would like to help support that group.
- ❖ **Membership cards.** Because of time delays involved in processing new members, there are issues where these members participate in activities, but do not receive points because they do not have their NCCC cards. A temporary card is being made available that can be given at the time of enrollment for use until the new member receives their card from the NCCC
- ❖ **Members addresses** please make sure these are current in the DB. What is submitted on the club forms does not always match what is in the DB.
- ❖ **Membership count**, the Indiana Region has 1,215 members and National has 17,506 members. However, it is felt that 17,560 is a more accurate number for National membership.
- ❖ **Home Depot** on south side is doing a community day on August 1st and would like 15 to 20 corvettes there to display, they will be roped off. Let Tammy know if interested.

Regional Competition Director – David Godfrey –

- ❖ **2017 rule book changes.** Looking at Concourse and People's Choice car shows and how they are scored. Rather than judged places, go to a base of a 100 points, with a declining scale. Sample is supposed to be sent out to all the RCDs. May put language into rule book for People's Choice car shows. They all need to be distinguished between each event. Ranking and scoring for all events gets copies. Some clubs do seven shows in a day, and each one should be judged differently. This is not happening. All events are judged the same.
 - ✓ Looking at adding High Performance Driving Experience (HPDE), into the rule book, may be just be a participation award. Not sure how it would be incorporated into the competition, or how the points would be done. Questions on timing and scoring being added if someone goes to another event.
 - ✓ Regarding the plus or minus diameter or width for the wheels that was added to the rule book. David is considering allowing adapters, so that a person does not have to go into group two if they add adapters. David would like for '84 and older to be able to use adapters to be put into the 2017 rule book.

- ❖ **Car shows.** People cannot do shows and end up with enough points to get into the top 15 nationally. This is because most of the points come from competition.
- ❖ **Event locations.** Impress that we are guests at the facilities we go to, and make sure people treat the facility respectfully, keep it clean, etc. Make sure all parties who own the facility, know what the facility is being used for. There was an incident where the owner of the location being used did not know or understand what we were there for, and because of this, this facility is no longer available to us.
- ❖ **Putnam Park**, cut off for reduced rate is Friday, May 1st. We need entries and workers. After Putnam, Corvette Indy's Main Event. For Michiana event in August, there will be two days, the 8th and 9th. Terry offered three of their sanctions if Region needed.
- ❖ **Motion to accept** other Region's points in our events is needed if we use those points. (I.E., count Mid West's points into our Region's points standings.) Motion was made by Butch DeWitt, and seconded by Dick Runyan. When National figures up the reimbursement for competition, they do not include other region's points in that rebate. Copy of this motion is attached.
- ❖ **Brown County Event** in October. Have received a very general flyer from TOCCCC's president, Steve Styer for this event. Flyer needs some clarification on several items, then it will be submitted to the region webmaster to be listed on the web site.
- ❖ **Event Flyers.** Make sure if your club is planning events that the information is posted on our website. If people are looking for something to do, and it is not there, then they will not know about it, and will not go. David will need a flyer.

Question: can a track event also have a car show? Yes, but the car show needs to be at a different location, can only have seven events in one location. Only time there would be a mileage restriction, if it is the same type of event, or if another region were coming in to do the same type of event.

Regional Executive Report – Mike Godfrey –

- ❖ **NCM and MSP survey.** David Goebel (SE Region) is doing a survey to determine the amount of donations that have been made to the National Corvette Museum and Motor Sports Park by NCCC members. Per David Goebel's research, NCCC members been very generous in supporting the Museum. A form is attached to these minutes, and each governor is asked to complete the form and return it to David Goebel, his e-mail address is SE-RE@CORVETTESNCCC.COM It is also shown on the form.
- ❖ **Finance Committee**– no charity report today, as the necessary information is not available. The National Treasurer has applied for and received an extension for the taxes. Some money is in the wrong category, and this impacts how they are taxed. Treasurer is looking at requirement of an audit in regards to a change in the procedure. Have several small audits during the year, and then at the end of the year or time period, major audit should be less expensive when completed.
- ❖ **E-Mail Issues.** Joan Thomas and Jim Walton looking into our e-mail being sent to governor's private e-mail address because the NCCC boxes are not being utilized. Can still use the NCCC e-mail link if you want.
- ❖ **By-law and a standing rule change**, the one being presented relates to rule book: rule book says it will be presented as an "all or nothing" scenario; suggests changing to: "at discretion of Competition Committee change may be voted on separately." This would be a standing rule change and gives the CC the option to separate out something if they think it is questionable. This part is okay. The next part, "the voting shall be via NCCC procedure" is worrisome. This statement would make the vote on the rule book go out on the electronic balloting, as opposed

to a warm body vote. Electronic voting is asking people to vote who may not know the rules or issues because they are not concerned with them. A warm body vote is people who are aware of the program and know what they are voting on. Electronic balloting has the potential for bad outcomes.

- ✓ Another one – may not come up because of procedure issues between finance committee and president. Regarding the museum, Heinemann would like to put a card in the package that people receive with museum delivery cars inviting the new owner to join the NCCC as a MAL. The card would be sent in to NCCC and they would become M-A-L for the balance of that year. Then membership would send out these names to local clubs to invite these people to join. Problem is there would be no fee for these people. If it happened beginning of September, they would have a full year's membership for free. The only cost would be sending out Blue Bars. (Comment to Membership Committee is to only get soft copy of Blue Bars only for the first year.) If this passes, there may be a by law change.
- ✓ This has to go to finance committee, then to RE's, and then to membership, would be September before it gets approved, so NCCC would lose out on possible new memberships.
- ✓ This may or may not come up for vote in the National. Dave Heinemann does not think it needs to go thought the procedure. Mike is giving a heads up on this. If there is a financial impact, it has to go through the financial committee, etc.

Old Business:

❖ **Putnam Park** – we need workers and entries. Dates are May 30 and 31st. Midwest is not putting on conflicting events this year so we may get some entries from them. We have to pay the balance due to the track on May 1st, and currently we are short the amount due. We are obligated to pay this bill, so options are, if we don't have it, Putnam will need to work with us.

Regarding Putnam, if we do next year, we may change the event to a 12 – 14 low speed event, as opposed to high speed. We have heard that people are not coming because it is only a seven event weekend, plus we have raised the entry fee this year. Some people are in favor of going all low speed, others are still not sure.

❖ **Bloomington Gold** – Need to make clear what we as a Region are going to. We are going in and putting on the autocross event; but neither the Region nor any particular club is going to be listed in any print as doing the event. We would like to have representatives from each club there so that if someone is interested in joining a club, or the NCCC, there is someone they can talk too. We can all potentially benefit from it. Everything will be published as NCCC as far as the autocross goes. It was suggested we have a club directory of Indiana clubs available.

- ✓ Insurance will be handled by Bloomington Gold, it is their event; they are collecting the money. Regarding run times to participants, we will provide a card with spaces to put people's time on. We will print out a sticker than can be placed on these cards. Linkenfelter and Rytec are sponsoring the autocross. Some events will need helmet liners. Will need loaner helmets. Meeting with Linkenfelter on Wednesday, and they may have some loaner helmets. Don't know how many people to expect, people will purchase tickets when they arrive. This is a non-sanctioned event, there will be no

- classes. We have to follow safety rules so cannot have expired helmets. This event will run all day for the three days.
- ✓ The volunteers will get a free pass into the event for that day. Want enough people to work so that someone does not have to work all day. If people volunteer to work, we need them to work. Chase cones, etc. If we have lots of competitors doing low speed, we need lots of volunteers.
 - ✓ Can have a table with your club banner that is okay, but we do not want to turn off people who are not from Indianapolis or Indiana. Will want someone to talk to them about clubs and NCCC, NCCC membership has to be there. Also, RE's need to have someone from their region.
 - ✓ We will try to do someone sort of a schedule, but first need to meet with Linkenfelter.
 - ✓ Clubs need to get a list of people who will help out, the days and times they are available. Mike wants somewhere between 30 to 35 passes per day. A mirror-cross was suggested for this event, but they want people to have time. Linkenfelter will have people there doing demonstrations. Idea is to attract possible members and get people involved in this.
 - ✓ No metal cars will be getting in the track. Trailer parking will be next to area where we are doing autocross. Anything that requires a pass for the autocross, or about the auto cross, contact Mike Godfrey. Anything regarding the Bloomington Gold, tickets for the events, etc., contact Bloomington Gold.

Butch had a few maps and pamphlets for Bloomington Gold.

Be sure to get your proxy's into to Mike so that he can vote for you if you are not present.
To change the way the quarterly meeting sign is, it would require a by-law change.

New Business:

❖ **Re the Spring Fling** – Hoosier Corvette would like the region to pay for the trophies for the Spring Fling. This item did not come up for a vote because the Governor's feel it is a Club event, and not a Regional event.

❖ **Corvette Indy** is doing a "Corvette Indy Memorial Scholarship" through the region.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:27 am

Respectfully submitted by:

Rita Robison
Indiana Region Secretary

Attachments:

Treasurer's Report
Points Motion Request
NCM Survey Form