

MINUTES

EAST OHIO REGIONAL MEETING

CELLAR ROOM AT THE GALAXY, WADSWORTH, OHIO

DECEMBER 7, 2019

Regional Executive: Terry Muich

Regional Membership Director: Cheryl Getzy

Regional Competition Director: Al Flanhofer

Regional Treasurer: Susan Hamilton (newly elected)

ATTENDEES

Governors

Corvette Cleveland - Al Flanhofer

Buckeye Corvettes - Barb Kukasky

Mid-Ohio Corvettes - Cheryl Getzy

Mahoning Valley Corv - Sam Sicilia

Mound City Corvette - Dave Brennan

Tiretown Corvette - Peggy Quine

Lake Shore Corvette - Bob Niznick

North East Ohio Vette - T R Aldrich

Fun City Corvette - Carol Engel (Proxy)

Kanawha Valley - Chuck Stephens

Competition Corvette - Ted Vanelli (Proxy)

Medina Corv Club - Tom Steinke

Guests

Fred Dugach

Judy Sicilia

Ray Valentine

Kent Kull

Dave Kukasky

Robert Dicarolo

Jackie Stoutenburgh

James Drabik

Michael Getzy

Dan Gallagher

Rich Brooks

Janice Sudia

Andrea Sudia

Cal Woods

Steve Hamilton

Warren Obert

Dave Comparette

Susan Hamilton

The meeting was called to order at 9:34 am by Regional Executive Terry Muich.

The meeting began with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance led by Chuck Stephens.

There is a quorum in attendance. Terry did not know of any members who had passed away since the last meeting. The Board was introduced. (Sue Hamilton was filling in for Peggy Stephens as the newly elected Treasurer), Ryki Woods Secretary was not present.

The governors introduced themselves. In the interest of keeping things moving, the guests did not introduce themselves

Secretary - Ryki Woods

Terry asked if everyone had received a copy of the minutes. He asked if there were any corrections. There were none. Terry entertained a motion to accept the minutes of the October meeting as emailed. Al Flanhofer made the motion to accept the minutes, Bob Niznick seconded. Vote was taken, passed unanimously, none opposed, none abstaining. Minutes accepted as emailed.

Regional Membership Director - Cheryl Getzy

The Region still has 13 clubs, and our total membership is 1,032, up to date. Buckeye and Kanawha have stuff coming in which wasn't in her tally. The largest club is Buckeye, followed by Corvette Cleveland. Buckeye has 216 members and Corvette Cleveland has 185. Nationally, as of the meeting last month, the total was 18,329 members, but that number will change as everyone gets their information in, it may increase/decrease, because that is what it does. For FCOA, we have 136 members total and Corvette Cleveland has the most, 36 members. If you have a member in FCOA and they move, please send their new address because their stuff will just go to the old address. They are hoping the people who sponsor the kids will keep their information up to date. Cheryl is still looking for NCCC club information sheets. If you haven't turned them in, please send them to Cheryl so she can get them filled in. Also, if you have a charity report, where you have donated money, like Mid Ohio did for the Children's Home and Cleveland does the Berea Children's Home (Guidestone), she needs the financial report (the form should be on line - the National website under Forms/Charities) so she can turn in the information to the Finance Committee. Barb Kukasky said that when they are in St. Louis they request that the clubs send the form to Michele, so should the governors send it to Cheryl and not to Michele and Cheryl said to send to both, but be sure to send it to Cheryl and she will take them in because she is on the Finance Committee. Cheryl asked if anyone had any questions concerning renewals, because on the 15th of December the system will shut down and will not reopen until the first or second week of January, so don't try to go the governor's page because you will be locked out. Ray Valentine had a question regarding one of his members. Cheryl asked if there were any other questions in reference to Membership. There were none. Cheryl thanked everyone for getting their stuff done. There are still members who can trickle in now on renewals or new, but once the system shuts down the renewals will be late renewals and have to pay an extra \$10 for

the primary. At that time we will be notified as to what the new password is for "Members Only" for National and that is not to be made public, such as putting it in the newsletters. If you do that, Walt has to completely change it and notify the entire membership, so please don't put it out there (sometimes it accidentally gets in newsletters, so hopefully we catch it). Terry said do not put it on any public forum like Facebook, Twitter, etc. You are allowed to email it to NCCC members. Cheryl asked if there were any other questions or concerns. There were none. Cheryl wished everyone a good holiday. Cheryl forgot one thing, she did have bounced emails and she had three clubs who replied back. There were only five, which was fantastic. So the ones who got back to Cheryl, they have corrected them. Terry complimented everyone on doing a good job. Cheryl said when they first started it Nationally, it was in the hundreds (300 to 400) that bounced and it has been whittled down to a page and a half out of 18,000+ people, so that is really good.

Terry then said before he introduces Al with his RCD report, Al has a written form he will be turning in that is his written withdrawal from RCD so he can be Director for the 2021 Convention. That will take effect December 31st and as per the rules, the RE appoints someone to take his place. Terry Muich appointed Ray Valentine and Ray accepted. Ray is accepting to fill out the final year of Al's term as RCD, at the February meeting at the Banquet, the governors will vote then to confirm this appointment. Ray and Al have been getting together getting things caught up to get Ray ready. Ray had a question for Al, if anything happens in January is that Al's responsibility or Ray's? Al said they would work together on it. Also, Ray said it was clear that Al would do the presentation in February at the Banquet and Al said yes he would.

RCD - Al Flanhofer

Al said he thinks he mentioned at the last Region meeting when the new C8 comes out, it will be in P Class, but at the last RCD meeting in St. Louis, they didn't classify it for economy runs or concourses because they have different classifications. So, next year if anyone is going to be doing an economy run, the C8 will be in the E8 Class and for concourses, the C8 will be in the I Class. If you look in the rule book, there are different classifications for those events.

Another thing they talked about at the RCD meeting, they spent a lot of time talking about drag racing. We don't do a lot of drag racing in our Region, but they have 3 record drags out west and at Convention they had drag races and there were 8 records set at the Convention drags. If you set a record, your car has to be torn down, but it is not that elaborate, they take a valve cover off and check the lift and take a spark plug out and check the volume. However, this equipment is in a box and it gets shipped from one RCD to another, whoever is having the record drags, well it sat in the back of someone's pickup truck, got all rusty and they couldn't use it and then Al found out at the meeting that there is a backup set of equipment that could have been used. So for the records set at Denver, they didn't do a teardown. They said that this wasn't the fault of the people running so their record couldn't be verified because the equipment wasn't there, so they gave them the records. A protest was filed saying they were not following the NCCC

rules with no teardown on these cars and after discussion Joe Eller ruled that the protest was out of order because it came in too late after the event took place, so the records are going to stand.

They talked about autocross workers, there is nothing in the rules about the age of autocross workers, somewhere they had an autocross and someone took an 11 or 12 year old kid on the track and they were wandering around and weren't paying attention. So, they are going to put something in the rule book that you have to be at least 16 years of age to be a worker at an autocross. One of the other discussions was, next year when we have C8's and if it is a C8 convertible, can they participate in a high speed event without a roll bar. Someone is going to look into that to see what the structural integrity is of a C8 convertible with the top up (can they run with no roll bar with the top up). Ray will have to update us on that. The comment was made you can't do it now, and Al said right now all the convertibles are ragtops and you need a roll bar, but the new C8 is a retractable hardtop.

Next they talked about a couple of rule book clarifications that were turned in and Al has copies of them. One in particular was about C4's, like if you put a cat back system on a newer C4, what exactly does that mean. The whole discussion came around to they have a resonator and on the C4 you have the two catalytic converters, one in each bank and the two pipes come back and then both pipes go into a resonator and then it goes back to both mufflers. You can eliminate that and still run in stock class because they are calling that a resonator and it can be eliminated.

Someone wanted clarification if you can run non-adjustable Koni shocks in stock class and the ruling was yes because they are non-adjustable and the rule book says if it is a non-adjustable shock it can run in stock class, because someone was thinking it is a competition shock. Terry asked if there were any questions for Al.

The question was asked if the ruling had been changed on the tire sizes you can run on a C4. Al said yes, he brought that up a while ago. They actually put out a tire chart and they were going to make the ruling that tires had to be plus or minus 1 inch based on the original equipment and they put a tire chart out, but they ruled against that, they are just going to go with what is in the rule book which is plus or minus 1 inch based on your class not what the original equipment was, it is strictly based on class. So for example, Al's Grand Sport has 12" tires, but he is in the same class as a base model C7 which has 10" tires, but since he has 12" tires and the C7 is in his class, they could go up to 13", so they can go from 10" to 13" and still run stock, that's basically what it came down to. Terry asked if there were any other questions for Al, there were none.

Treasurer - Susan Hamilton

As Terry said, Peggy was taken ill at the last minute and he asked if everyone had received the Treasurer's Report via email. Everyone did and Sue Hamilton said she had some extras with her. Sue said as the new Treasurer, going around is the spread sheet for all the governors, with addresses, phone numbers, etc. If they are correct, just put a check

mark, or make any needed changes and/or updates. Terry asked if there were any questions on the emailed Treasurer's Report dated 12/07/2019? Terry entertained a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as emailed. Cheryl Getzy made the motion, Chuck Stephens seconded, vote was taken and passed unanimously with none opposed and none abstaining. The Treasurer's Report was accepted as emailed. Carol Engel asked if the list of governors would be sent out and Cheryl said she has to update it and send it out to all governors. Terry pointed out that Eric our Webmaster has been busy and if someone is interested in taking over the website and he told Terry last night that he was going to work on putting the minutes of the last two meetings on and Al said they are along with the Banquet flyer. He has everything updated.

Proposed Budget

The next item is the Proposed Budget. At the last meeting we accepted the proposed budget and now we have to vote on it. The governors were supposed to take it back to their members and ask for questions. So, are there any questions on the 2020 Proposed Budget (Sue does have extra copies if anyone needs one). The financials and budget (National and Regional) we do not put on the website. If you need copies, they will be emailed to you. Terry asked if anyone wanted him to read the Proposed Budget. No one did. Terry then entertained a motion to dispense with reading the Proposed 2020 Budget. Motion made by Chuck Stephens, Sam Sicilia seconded, vote was taken. Discussion was called for and Al Flanhofer suggested that under General Fund Expenses, the RE, RCD and RMD get reimbursed \$50 each time they go to St. Louis for travel expenses. Now, we will be holding a Convention, Dan and Al will be required to go to St. Louis, so for a year and a half, from now until Convention, should it be added to the Proposed Budget that they will be reimbursed for going to St. Louis for the Convention meeting. Cheryl said they would be paid by National. The suggestion was made that it should come out of Convention budget and Terry said, actually, that was correct. Sue said that just so everyone knows, she has added a separate line for Convention in the Treasurer's Report and she also added one for Track X, so there won't have to be a footnote at the bottom. She already has a Convention category, she just needs to know where that payment should be listed. Terry said, it used to be Chair and Co-Chair, but because Co-Chair does not get reimbursed by National, only Director, so in the By-Laws they just changed the title so this one rule change means they will be reimbursed by National. Terry doesn't think it is even Co-Director, just Director 1 and Director 2, basically. They will be reimbursed the mileage charge one way from National and Terry agrees with Carol, and we can take a vote here, that should come out of the Convention money for the \$50 trip reimbursement. Al said we can make it the same amount that the officers get, so Terry said we can just make it \$50 from a different fund. Sue then asked if they were approving \$50, and Terry said yes, the same as the officers get. Terry said he will research that because he has to look through the By-Laws to see if we have to make a By-Law change or Standing Rule change, but it would still come out of Convention money and Terry is not sure if we can just do that with a quorum, so he will research it. Al can put it in writing and send it to Terry and we will discuss that after the first of the year, so Terry will look at the By-Laws and Standing Rules and see how they are affected. He doesn't think they can do it now. He thinks it would have to be like a By-Law change that it

comes out of Convention. He asked if everyone was agreeable with that. The question was asked if Terry got the results of the vote regarding Convention and he said we are in. From what he heard there wasn't any place on the ballot to vote against it, you either voted for it or did not vote (abstained). It was like 48%, we got the same percentage in the voting as National gets for any voting. Jim Walton did go through the By-Laws, as did Parliamentarian, Kathy Brisbois, and all we needed because we were unopposed, was one vote. That will be covered when we get into Convention. Sue Hamilton asked, for clarification, Terry is checking to see if we can pay the Directors \$50. Terry said Al is going to send him (Terry) a request to see if the Directors of the 2021 Convention can be reimbursed on the same scale as the Regional Officers for their trips to St. Louis. When we get the clarification, because he (Terry) is on the By-Law Committee as is Mickey and she is not here today and Dan Gallagher is also on the committee. Dan suggested putting it in the Standing Rules and we can vote on it today. Terry said we have to research it to see how that works. February is the first time that Dan will have to go to St. Louis. So it will be researched. Terry then asked if there were any other questions or discussions on the proposed budget. There were none. Terry then said he would entertain a motion to accept the 2020 Proposed Budget as the 2020 budget. TR Aldrich made the motion, Cheryl Getzy seconded. Vote taken, none opposed, but Carol Engel from Fun Center abstained. Motion passed. We will accept the 2020 Proposed Budget as Peggy Stephens sent out, 12/1/2019 through 11/30/2020 as emailed.

Committee Reports

Hall of Fame

Carol Engel as proxy gave Mickey Ouellette's report. She has a stamped envelope for every club, please vote and you can either give it to Carol today or you can mail them to Mickey and Carol will make sure she (Mickey) gets the ones she gets today. Terry asked if there were any questions for the Hall of Fame. There were none. Carol needs to mark off who takes their envelope so Mickey knows exactly who has their ballots. She will do it when there is an opening in the meeting. Terry asked if there were any questions for the Hall of Fame. There were none.

By-Laws and Standing Rules

Mickey did not give Carol any notes for By-Laws. Terry said when he read through the minutes, they were looking into making some verbiage changes regarding when dues are due and what dues were paid before you can bid on the sanction dates. It has always been a gray area and it was brought up that the way we were doing it in the past was not proper so they will be working on that and it won't take place until 2021 because they will have to submit it and go through the channels. Also at the same time when Al puts this in about the Convention, they will have to see where that fits and put that in also. Terry agrees that that is something that would go in the Standing Rules. They have three Regions stepping up to do 2022.

Banquet

Dan Gallagher gave the following report. The banquet coming up on February 28th/

February 29th is still on. The banquet will be here at the Galaxy and he asked the governors to get out to their clubs that although it is an awards banquet for the competitors, it is also a good time to socialize with people from other clubs within the Region. The flyer is on the Regional website and we look forward to seeing everyone there and they had a taste test of the food and everything was great. The committee narrowed it down to those items on the flyer and it will be buffet style. Dan asked if there were any questions regarding the banquet. Sue Hamilton asked if besides asking for donations for the baskets, is there anything else the committee needs. Dan said not at this moment, but all volunteers are welcome. Terry did confirm that the 1st place club from last year oversees the hospitality room and Al said yes, Corvette Cleveland will do that. Terry said that overseeing the hospitality room doesn't mean that "you have to feed the world". It just means you coordinate the hospitality room, when it is open, what is in there, who is bringing what, etc. Al Flanhofer asked if the Region provides the soft drinks and Terry said, yes they do, water and soft drinks. Usually everyone brings their own "preferred adult beverage" and snacks, munchies, etc.

2021 Convention Update

As has been covered, the vote for putting on the 2021 Convention was left off the National voting when they had other elections going on. There was a special vote that the governors participated in and we have obtained the opportunity to put on the 2021 Convention. It will be in the Cleveland area. The dates for the Convention are Monday June 14th through Friday June 18th. The process has been in the works to get things put together. The official vote and information that was passed to us was on December 1st. We have had the Steering Committee out, we have secured the hotel (Embassy Suites in Independence) we have that under contract. We have the two tracks that we are using at Convention and they are Nelsons Ledges for high speed and Dragway 42 for the low speeds and drags. Those are also both under contract. So, we are moving forward. At this point in time we are going to take the month of December as a light duty month to not get a lot of things done, but they are looking for volunteers. This is a Regional event and their goal is to make it a destination vacation type of Convention. They are looking for ideas of things to do in the area, they have a number of tours they are playing with right now and Cheryl is the Tour person so if anyone has any ideas on where they would like to have people go for tours, please talk to Cheryl. Along with that, if you have an idea, please help Cheryl out by getting some information about that as well. For instance, if Sam were to say he would like to have a tour of the Packard Museum, that is a great place to go. If Sam does put that out to Cheryl, please have the contacts to talk to since he (Sam) is in the area and knows a little bit about that, pass that information on to Cheryl so that is not just "we want to go to the Packard Museum" and then we don't hear from you again. We need some help to pull this off. Al and Dan will be, with the help of Terry, finding more chairpeople for various things and they will get more into that after the first of the year. Dan asked for questions regarding Convention 2021. Al said he would like to add a couple of things. He told the governors to go back to their clubs, they need a Funkhana Chairperson, that's a big event at Convention and they need someone to chair that. They are looking for a Local Sponsorship Chairperson, who will go around and try to solicit money, donations or coupons. When you go to Convention, they give out tons

of door prizes, hundreds and hundreds of door prizes. So those are two important chairpersons they still need. Bob Niznick said we had talked about dealerships and said we have one on board possibly for sure and Al said we are going to start talking to them. Terry said this is local sponsorships. National has their sponsors that they get big bucks from and hopefully they still do. What we are looking for are local sponsorships. They do have people in mind, so if anyone has any connections with someone like, say NAPA, if they have promotional stuff like the buckets, or anything to hand out that we can use for goodie bags or door prizes. So if you get NAPA, so then you go to Auto Zone and ask if they can match them or do better. To follow up on what Dan was saying, on the tours, if you have, say like Sam, if you have the Packard Museum, rather than throwing that out to Cheryl, if you have an idea, if you would do more research on it, get with Cheryl and see what the criteria is and then go back to what you suggested (like the Packard Museum) and find out who to contact, the cost, and the logistics. That is what we are going to need, we will need everyone helping to make this great. We want to have so many tours that at the end of the week people are going to say "damn, I didn't have time to do this". Al said that when he has gone to Conventions, he has done tours, but most Conventions don't offer quite enough, because if you don't sign up the first day or two, you don't get to go on these tours. He threw a number at Cheryl, he said he would like to have things set up for about 200 people per day to have when they go on line that we can move, because Convention numbers are dwindling, they get 400 to 450 people. We are hoping because of our proximity to a lot of Corvette owners that we can bring more people in. When Al and Terry first went the hotel, we asked for the number of rooms they recommended and we said whoa, that's too many rooms so they cut it back a little bit. They would like to plan for 200 people per day, because if we get 400 people, 120 or so compete and the spouses go with them, so that leaves another 200 we have to entertain. Al said since Dan mentioned the hotel, they started out at \$139 originally, they got it to \$129 per night at Embassy Suites which are beautiful two room suites. You get a chef prepared breakfast every morning which is a \$14.95 value and for two people that is \$30, so you are paying \$99 for the room. Terry pointed out that there are also two hours of happy hour. Al said that Jim Drabik from Corvette Cleveland is here and he was at Denver with Al this year and they went to a Holiday Inn Crown Plaza which was the pits, it needed remodeling and they paid \$129 a night and if you went down for breakfast, it was \$30 for Al & Cindy. He thinks we are going to blow people away with our hotel here. Sue Hamilton said she and Steve eat breakfast all the time at the Embassy Suites because you can go in and just pay. She did have a question, if she was to go to Auto Zone and ask them to donate, is there a number we need to ask for, say 400 of these things or just what they will give. Dan said ask "what can you give us". Sue said, then some bags may have Auto Zone, some may have NAPA, they won't all be exactly the same. Dan said right, if they have key chains, flashlights, floor jacks to use in tech. He brings that up because at the Colorado Convention they had one of the car parts stores donate a floor jack and they used that for tech and then it was a raffle prize after tech was done. So parts, equipment, tools, whatever they want to give us, that would be great. Al said it doesn't have to be car related, he has gotten door prizes at Conventions like stuff from Bath & Body Works, so it can be anything, it doesn't have to be car related door prizes. Judy Sicilia asked if on the tours, do we arrange the transportation to the tours and Al said yes, we will say we

will have a tour to the, for instance, Canton Football Hall of Fame and it will be limited to 55 people (the number of people who fit on a bus). We will say, ok you will be picked up at the hotel at 8:00 and we will take you to the Football Hall of Fame and then take you here for lunch or whatever and bring you back at 4. For all the tours, they will be picked up by buses at the hotel. Cheryl said they don't want anybody going, especially if there is alcohol anywhere along the tour, having a couple of drinks and then get back in their Vette and driving. Cheryl said they can go down to smaller buses, one company has them from 22 to 44 people. To get a full sized bus which is like Greyhound buses, they will have bathrooms in them, which a lot of people need. Al said also what we need, we don't have to come up with this now, but the day of the Convention when the buses show up, we need someone from the Region to show up at the hotel and have a list of who signed up...Cheryl said that is all part of her job, there is a list that has to be checked that people who haven't paid just don't get on the bus. You are not going to know everyone who comes on there, it is hard enough to know everyone in your own Region, you will have National here and you are going to see people you have never seen before. Al said we will need a lot of volunteers and a lot of help. Terry said this will all be coordinated through Cheryl, but the volunteers from the Region, who will say we have a bus that goes to the Packard Museum and we don't have to limit it to just one day, we can do it a couple of days. So for instance, maybe Sam would like to go along and he can maybe coordinate with Cheryl, he would have the list, he knows the contacts at the Museum, he knows who paid and what would be ideal is if we have a luncheon because it is so far, maybe set up a buffet somewhere so people come in and sign up for Convention, they pay whatever the charge is and they get the bus trip, they get the Packard tour and they get the lunch and get back to the hotel in time to do what we have planned at the hotel. Terry is basing this on what he has heard at St. Louis from people who have gone to Conventions and what he has seen on line. Jim Walton says it has been three years since he has taken a car to Convention. He comes in and he spends some time, maybe looking at the competition, but usually he does the tours, so we are thinking outside the box like doing a fishing tour, Top Golf should be done (and it is right there). We make our money to get a profit on this with the tours, that is the big thing. So, if we can give you an all-inclusive and get these people like Packard to knock a couple of bucks off, so if someone goes on line and says "well you're charging me \$50 for this and I could have gotten it on my own for \$45", so if we can get that. So, they get up in the morning, they have their free breakfast, they have signed up for this tour that leaves at 8:30-9:00 am, so you are supposed to be here, we have a representative on the bus with a list, you go there, if there are any snafus, we have a representative to take care of it, because that did happen in Bowling Green. There was a major issue. But, so now we are on the ground running, like we said, we'll give you guys December and the holidays, but we will be relying on everybody to help. Al Flanhofer said, the clock is ticking now because about a year from now we have to give everything to Walt Jenkins and he is going to put everything on line so that on February 1st when people go on line to sign up for Convention, it will have this tour, this cost, etc., so we will have to give this to Walt in about a year from now and he puts it on line and some of the people in the Region get to go on line and test it out and if it is working, then on February 1st it goes live. Terry said you also have to get a budget put together for Convention and he asked Peggy Quine for confirmation that we have it put together by

the middle of the year, the budget for Convention. Peggy said you have to have it right away, a preliminary budget. Al has already got it with the bid, so we have that. Peggy said it goes on line to the National officers in January. Al said Walt needs it by the end of November, December we test and it goes to the National officers in January and on February 1st it goes live and that is when people can start signing up. Usually a lot of people sign up right away so within a couple of weeks, we will have a good handle on how many people are coming, what tours they will be taking and we might have to adjust a little at that time. For instance, there might be a tour that we think won't be too popular and 100 people will want to do it and one that we think will be really popular and nobody will sign up for it. So we will have to adjust. Dan asked Ray if he had a question and he said it had been answered. Bob Niznick said he had never been to a Convention and he plans to go to Indianapolis this year, do they do anything to distinguish the volunteers from the Region, do they do a special shirt and the answer was usually they don't and Bob said that could be helpful if people have questions. Dan Gallagher said with the Convention there will be name tags, and on the name tags, people who are chairs and co-chairs of the events will have their name tags with that designation on that, so that is one way to do it. We can be creative and have, say yellow shirts if we choose that color, or whatever. Bob said that when you have that big group of people, there will be questions and they need to know who to talk to. Al said he thought that was a good idea, maybe we can give all our people shirts and Cheryl said maybe we can get them through Dennis. It was pointed out that we did that in 1997, we all had tee shirts. Al said what happens when you go to Convention, for the first two days we have to have a registration area and you go in and it will say like A-E, F-whatever and you go up and give them your name and they will give you a packet, it will have a lanyard with your name and they will give you tickets for any tours you have signed up for, so that day you will give that ticket to the person in charge of that particular event, so there's a lot of work to do before the Convention. Cheryl Getzy said there is usually like a plastic sleeve for the items you are getting, so just stick your ticket in that sleeve so you don't accidentally drop it out of your packet when you are pulling things out. Al said that like Dan said, we have the main venues, now the work begins. Cheryl said we don't have everything, we need entertainment like bands. Al said we have the hotel and the race tracks. Terry asked if there were any more questions regarding the discussion. Sam said next week they are going to the Packard Christmas party so he will get contacts and everything else for Cheryl and get it to her. Dan said one of the last things for Convention, without getting into the "weeds" with all the details because we don't need to do that today, we will be letting everyone know that there will be some electronics, i.e. website, Facebook and other social media ways to promote the 2021 Convention, so stay posted and get excited. Barb Kukasky asked with regard to Dan and Al, would they be coming around to the other clubs like they did on Track X. Dan said they would be more than happy to do that. Terry said, as far as electronic information goes, like Dan was saying, it is on the National website and although there is nothing there right now, you will be able to click on for 2021 information, we are looking into that and when we have more positive information, we will put up things there. Terry did get permission a few years ago to use the National mailing list for all members, using Walt and we will put together a package and he will utilize that for Walt that all the members will get updates and know what we are looking

for, like what chairs we need, who to contact and so forth. We will not put out a lot of information on that because National does get charged per hit when you use that, but if we can put a basic guideline and contacts, where if you want information and follow up on that contact the chairs, Al, Dan or Terry. Dan said to follow up with Barb's question, if you would like to have someone from the Convention committee show up at one of your club's meetings, get in touch with Dan or Al and they would be more than happy to do that. Rich Brooks had a suggestion, over the summer we had a lot of people from the Chosen Few group interested in joining NCCC, with the Convention being here, do we want to contact them. Cheryl said they didn't want to become members of the NCCC. Al said there aren't that many total members, only about 20 or 30 total. Cheryl said they travel a lot and Rich said they put on tremendous shows. Dan said he is open to that, we have approached them and we would be willing to approach them again, to see if they are interested by all means. Terry said they have had Royce Martin from the Chosen Few to their meetings, they have been to their meetings. It is like the club in Pennsylvania, Shenango Valley, you have a handful that say they would like to be involved and the rest look at and say "we like what we are doing now". So, it will take a lot of people showing them why, not just us at a meeting. Terry said we are constantly looking into that, there is a lot of work being done behind the scenes. If you put stuff out to folks and they don't even give you the courtesy of answering. When we were looking for venues, that was happening. Looking at tracks and hotels and you put it out and give them basics and they wouldn't even call you back. Or if they did it was "we don't even talk to anybody if it is more than a year out". All three of the venues we ended up with, these people were excited to work with us and the hotel which Karen Santagata found, they have been outstanding. When Jim Walton came in both times, they comped his room, we went over to the Double Tree for a meeting and they comped their lunch. Cheryl said you have to hassle them for the tour meetings lunches. Dan asked if there were any other questions regarding the 2021 Convention. If anyone has any comments or suggestions, everyone should have their emails and get in touch with them, as ideas come up. They are looking to hear from Sam after the first of the year and anyone else who might have ideas let him know. Terry also asked if there were any questions. There were none.

RE Report - Terry Muich

Proxies

Terry has gotten his proxies in for next year, He hasn't confirmed yet, but if they do the proxies....For those of you new governors and those who have forgotten or don't know. NCCC rules say you are supposed to be represented at at least three of the National meetings. Representation includes a proxy, and as the RE, Terry turns them in and if you don't have at least a proxy at three of the meetings, they could actually force your whole club to join as new members. They have not done that yet, but that is in the rules and there are more and more people chomping at the bit to do that. It's a simple thing, Terry thinks he has all his proxies and before last year, he had to turn in his proxies every meeting. What they started last year is he had to turn in his proxies for all thirteen clubs, they wrote them down because they don't even have dates on the proxy forms and if you show up as a proxy for a warm vote and how it works, when there is a vote, we have

thirteen clubs and if we have 10 governors there, they will hand Terry a sheet with a number 3 on it and if you want to vote, the REs hold up the number, so you are represented there. How it is supposed to work, if you have a vote and you have a difference of opinion (one club wants to vote one way and another a different way), Terry will have them give him separate yays for so many numbers and nays for so many numbers. Terry does have everyone's right now.

NCCC Budget

The budget will be presented at the February National meeting and voted on at that time, they didn't totally finish it out because they are waiting on information IRS hasn't sent out, and they aren't sure or they haven't locked in the insurance rate. The insurance they think is going to be flat, they hope. They kept it consistent last year, but until they have that, it is just a worst guess.

Last Convention, the 2018 Convention, 395 people attended and they still actually got \$21,836.02 profit which is split between the Region who put it on and National.

Blue Bars, if anyone wants an article in Blue Bars, you have until December 15th to get it to Elaine.

IRS is finally happy with NCCC, the only thing they made mention of is that they need to post a mission statement on their charity on the web so it is clear what it is. That was a suggestion and they are in the process of doing that right now.

Corvette factory is starting tours again. Next year, Terry said the first Bash is in April, so they are hoping to have them by April.

If any clubs have changed officers, please contact Cheryl because this information needs to get to Chris so she can put them on her list with National so we can update that. So get information to Cheryl first and she will get the information to National. Cheryl said even if it is all the same, send it to her so she has the information. Terry said following up with what was said before, all governors get a list of your officers for 2020 and send them to Cheryl, make sure the addresses and emails, etc. are correct and up to date.

Bill Docherty was elected as the new RCD. The 2020 Convention is July 5th through 10th and is in Indiana. The information is on line. On February 1st they will be opening up for signup. We encourage those, especially those who will be helping us with our Convention in 2021, to go, it's close, they do offer day passes, if you can't go for the week, you can go a couple of days. It would be nice if everyone goes on line to see what they have to offer, check out what they have done right and what they maybe haven't done right and take mental notes, such as "we went here and that was great" or "that sucked". If we have a decent showing, that will only help our cause in 2021. Like Cheryl said, the Members Only password will be changed January 1st. Walt will be sending it out to all the governors, make sure you look and it doesn't go into Spam or Trash. If you haven't seen it by the second week of January, contact one of the officers and we will find out if

you have gotten missed.

Terry said he would auction off the Eckler's certificates at the Chili Cookoff and he forgot, so he has 2 Ecklers \$50 certificates for merchandise. Terry asked if we want to a raffle or just pick numbers. He asked who uses Eckler's. So it was decided to do the raffle after the 50/50. They expire July 12, 2020.

Old Business

Wendell Strode, everyone should know who Wendell is, he is retiring but he sent us a new email, so that when he is retired, we can communicate with him. Those of you that went to Track X II, remember that his squadron had a reunion there and we all gave them rides and they loved it. They do this every two years and so next year 2020, is their reunion and they will be there October 1st and 2nd, which is the first Thursday and Friday in October. With the governors permission, Terry told Wendell they would work on it and try to coordinate doing a Track X IV at the same time. Terry hasn't gotten to Mitch yet, he contacted them two months ago and they weren't sure of the date or the prices yet, so they won't know their prices until the first of the year. We got affirmation at the last meeting that yes, we do want to look into Track X IV and anyone who was down there last time, taking the veterans for a ride, only one lady had a little problem with her stomach. They all loved it and Wendell loved it so much that he was asking Terry if we can coordinate with them. Terry is also going to work on the factory tours, the track before said they would help coordinate tours at the same time, so we will try to see if we can get a number together for the factory tour at the same time. So it would be like a package tour, you go out and play around with your car on the track and then go over to the factory, so they are working on that. Cheryl said it should be done at the Bash. GM put about a million dollars, there is a room where you go in and sign in and they show you a video. They put about a million dollars into remodeling that room, so you know that's why the plant is being reopened because GM wants it. Terry said we do have Nora confirmed to speak at the banquet, she already has the room reservation. This is Nora Roper the Assistant Plant Manager at the Corvette factory. Terry asked if there was any old business he had missed.

Sam Sicilia said that two days ago at their Christmas party, two members came up and asked about the Museum and they were saying that this was great, anyone can go down there and run one of their cars. Terry said they have done that since it opened and it was pointed out that they said they may be able to throw in a plant tour. Terry said that the last number he saw for an hour around the track is \$500, and at our Track X it was under \$300 for two days. Ted said there were a couple of members from their club interested in it. Terry said make sure that we promote that, if they want to go down on their own, but tell them that is basically what we are going to do at Track X. If the numbers hold true to last year, and they held us to the same cost as the previous year and we only had about 50 people, with the deposit it will be about \$310 per person. The more drivers we have, the more it can be divided up. If you look at the budget, we did have \$1,600 left from last year's Track X and \$3,000 is the deposit we have to have, so we don't have enough left in

the carryover fund and obviously we had money left over. Terry will get the numbers at the first of the year and when we will have to get the deposit in and Terry is thinking just to leave that \$1,600 in the General Fund and they will let Track X IV stand totally alone. It all started because we bought an acre property for \$15,000, things didn't progress along properly, and to use it all Terry came up with the idea of the first Track X event which was free to all East Ohio Region members, and to offset the cost we did a low speed and a car show at the same time. That worked because at the end of the day we still had a \$5,000 credit left, so that's where Track X II came in, we used that \$5,000 as a deposit. If you cancel within 90 days, they keep \$1,000 of it. Then Track X III came along and at that time we still had \$3,000 and they accepted that, but now it is just half of that, so what are your thoughts do we just want to leave that \$1,600 or.....take it back to your clubs and ask if we should leave the extra money from Track X and put it back in the General Fund and Terry will work out some numbers like we did initially, we had to have so many people signed up with the money with the Treasurer by a certain date before we went forward with it. Any discussion on that, does that sound like a good plan? Ray Valentine said you were talking about maybe a Track X day at Nelsons. Terry said yes we will try to do that also, they are working on that. Because they did get a good rate, Nelsons worked with us, Brian and Fred Wolfe, they worked with us and Fred even emailed Ted and Brian emailed Jim Walton about how he liked it, but they would like to see more participation there. Mike Lally does a lot of track days there during the week. Terry doesn't know how many he has got but after the first of the year Terry will try to put something together with Mike because we would like to get Mike involved with the 2021 Convention and the best way to get Mike Lally involved is for a group of us to show up at one of his track days and put the money down and get the relationship established that way so we have a good relationship with them as a Region before you put the arm on them for money. Ray said he has gone to his track events and they are really inexpensive, it is a donation to his charity and the cheapest one Ray can remember going to was \$50. He had them on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday or Thursday, Friday and it was like \$50 per day. One day it rained and so Ray didn't go, he went on Friday and he thinks it was \$50. Terry said that is what we are looking into doing and as he said, after the first of the year we will find out...Terry doesn't think he has his schedule set yet so probably the end of January we will contact him and see what his schedule is or Terry will get a hold of Joey or even Fred Wolfe said he will work with us, so we'll work with that to see what dates are available, but put it out to your clubs and if anyone is interested in Nelsons, we want a show of good force there. Last September or October Terry and Ted went there with Mike Willis and there weren't that many people there, they did a parade lap and when Mike was comfortable with your capabilities, they did a point to pass and they had a really good time. Ray said if you do a point to pass you really have to pay attention, it's not like following a leader like you do at a lot of other places. He did one at Pittsburgh International also and if you want to go fast, do point to pass and if you get behind a bunch of guys who are paying attention and you come up behind them, you let them go and a guy like Ray, he likes to chase somebody and he can drive harder that way than going by himself and if you want to have fun, you get a guy that you let go by and he's been watching two or three laps and he's running like crazy and you start chasing him, you can get in over your head real quick. Terry said it is a good event and he and Al and

Ted have been talking about that to step up and get us out there a little bit better, that's what we have to do. It's better to go and promote someone who is doing something like that before you ask them to open their wallet. We talked with Mike a little bit and mentioned the 2021 Convention and he is somewhat interested but Terry thinks it is something like Fred Wolfe said, they are kind of stepping back to see what they get out of it. Case in point, when they went to Perrysburg for the last autocross they went to, they had more East Ohio Region members there than anyone. There were about 20 racers and they were just dumbfounded that we showed up like that, he said they normally get about 20 to 30 people and they had around 50. They were overwhelmed. It was a nice facility and we considered looking at that because it is only 2 hours away, venues for speed events you will find out when we do the bidding, are getting tough to find. We will get into that when Al does the bidding. So, that is all the old business. Terry asked if there were any questions. The question was asked about the events at the Museum, do you go down there and use their cars? Terry said you can use their cars and as a Museum member he gets literature all the time, if you go on their site, they have all kinds of offers like that. In fact Terry thinks their biggest promotion on that was that after the first of the year you can use a C8. They have about four or five C8s they are going to use. Mike Getzy said that is why it is \$400 to \$500 to do it, you are using their cars. Terry said he thinks with that one they might have someone in the seat next to you. If anyone has questions on this, just go to the Museum site. Cheryl Getzy is our Museum representative from their club, so any questions, just get in touch with Cheryl or contact Terry and he can get you in touch with Dave Goebel who is the National Representative for the Museum. He knows things before GM knows what is going on. Al said he doesn't think you get an hour for that, he thinks it is like three laps. Terry said you get about two or three laps. Even at the Museum track at any time when they are open, you can drive down there and put down \$200 to \$250 and they will take you out in a lead/follow, but that too is only two to three laps. That is why Terry encourages everyone to go on the Museum site and see what it actually costs to go on the NCM track and what we get for two days down there for the whole package, for the hotel and the whole nine yards, is a fraction of the cost to be on that track for maybe four laps. Al said we do two days and you get out on the track four or five times each day for \$300 or you can spend that much to do three laps. Cheryl pointed out that we usually do four. Ray said Pittsburgh International is \$600 per day. When they have a track day and they have point to pass there, you are really hauling the mail. Terry said like he said last year or this year, when we were down there he got in with Ted and Mike Willis with his Z06 and they got behind one of the better lead drivers and right off the bat they were screaming to the point where on the last run of the day, he backed off because he was right on the Z06 and Ted mentioned about how hot we were running, straightaway speeds were so much faster, but they were burning through the curves and Terry was pushing and pushing and they came screaming into the curve and then Terry realized he didn't have a Z06 and so he backed off before he "customized the guard rail". Ray said, like a lot of guys, but he can tell you some stories about Nelsons and Terry said that is why we went with Nelsons. First of all, they thought they had some connections with Mid Ohio, but he never got any confirmation back from their contact, he got the number for who to call at Mid Ohio, he left five messages and sent two emails about our event and they never contacted him or

responded back. They want \$25,000 per day for a weekday. Plus there is a caveat in that if you rent the track for \$25,000 and have a contract for them for a weekday and a group comes in and wants it (say you have it for Wednesday) for Wednesday through the weekend, you are out. They toss you to the curb. and it is the same with Norwalk and Summit Speedway, they are so big. Bea Webb has family that works in the office and even with her connection there, they wouldn't talk to them. Even the Sports Car Club that uses the paddock area up there. That's another reason we went to Dragway 42 because Ron was actually excited to work with us. So the three venues we have, they were genuine when they worked with us and you can tell by the efforts they put out. Ray said he has run with the Sports Car Club and it was really fun. Terry said he had talked to them about doing low speeds there, but their costs were pretty high. He was charging \$2,500 for a day to use the paddock area for low speed, now he says he needs \$3,500 and that is just more than we can afford and not stay with the Corvettes and we have tried running with the different sports car clubs, National Council rules are so different than anyone else, it is just a circus. If anyone has any ideas of a place to use for low speeds, please keep looking. It is not just our Region, it is National, everyone is saying the same thing, they lose out.

New Business

There was none.

Mike Getzy just pulled up the information about the track day at the NCM. The cost is \$799 for a day to drive the C8, you get lunch and some other stuff. What we pay for two days, but you are driving their car and if you wreck their car, you have to have extra insurance. So if someone from Corvette Cleveland gets their C8, bring it down there, because there are like five members of Cleveland who have ordered C8s. Tommy Farrer let Terry drive his 2018 ZO6 on the track. But, Mike pointed out, that is just an idea of what it costs to drive on the track down there, but if we drive our car and we wreck it, we have to find a way home and Terry pointed out that we have people with trailers.

Terry asked if there were any questions. Carol Engel asked if anyone had any quilt squares. There is one. Terry was going to bring that up, National has given him absolutely no feedback on that. Carol has a letter from Lake Shore. We had talked about doing that as a Regional. So if we do it as a Regional, we just need Regional patches. So if the governors have their club patch, get one to Terry and he will get it to Mickey and do a quilt that we can raffle off at the banquet. Terry will have find someone to step up and do that since his contact passed away. When he passed away he took his passwords to get into all his working systems and Terry doesn't know how far they have caught up yet. The sons and their wives are working still so they don't have as much time to commit to it, but they are trying to keep it going. Terry said we will find someone, he is sure. So take it back to your clubs because Mickey would still like to do a quilt of the clubs. The size of the quilt patch is 12" x 12", 1/2" border. Any questions on that, contact Terry or Mickey.

Terry asked Al to start the bidding while he checks on the menus. There was a brief break before this began (11:07 to 11:44).

Sanction Bidding

Al said all the governors have been through this process except for Tom, so for his benefit, all these rules are under the Standing Rules for East Ohio. Under sanctioning of events it says "each club that wants to bid for a sanctioned event must pay their Region dues before bidding" and Sue just verified that everyone has paid their head tax, so everyone can bid. About two thirds of the clubs have paid their sanction fees already, the rest will have to get their sanction fees into Sue. Cheryl Getzy asked what the deadline is. Al had mentioned today, but try to get them in to Sue as soon as possible. Technically you don't have to have them in until January 15th. That is the day you have to have your sanction fees in. Al said, the other thing Tom, each club chooses in the order in which they finished the prior year and each club can close a weekend, but you have to commit at least three sanctions to that weekend. The order this year by placement is as follows: Corvette Cleveland - 1st, Buckeye - 2nd, Mid Ohio - 3rd, Competition - 4th, Tiretown - 5th, Medina - 6th, Mahoning Valley - 7th, Lake Shore - 8th, North East Ohio Vette Club - 9th, Mound City - 10th, Kanawha Valley - 11th, Corvette Canton - 12th and Fun Center - 13th. We will go through two times and then if anyone has any sanctions left, they can take any dates that are open. What Al did was send everyone a calendar and it has been traditional if a club needs a certain date for some reason, we let the other clubs know and they try to steer away from that date. So the calendar has dates clubs have requested, but you don't have to give that weekend up if you really want it.

Round One

Corvette Cleveland - July 26th - CORSA - 2 Sanctions

Buckeye - (it is their understanding after talking with Terry that Buckeye wants to also be involved in low speed events. The intention was to do Memorial Day weekend with seven from Mid Ohio, seven from Competition, three from North East Ohio, three from Corvette Cleveland and one from Buckeye, however if we just do one, that will not close out the weekend unless everyone agrees that they don't want that weekend. Terry asked what the dates were and they are May 23, 24 & 25th.) Terry asked if anyone had anything they planned for Memorial Day weekend. Nobody did. Terry said then bid your 3 for one day and they can cover the rest. Chuck Stephens then spoke up and said he had the understanding that CCA was going to put 7 on May 23rd, 3 on May 24th and then Mound City was going to put on 4 and 3 and Kanawha was going to do 1. But, if they are going to do it the way they said, Chuck is backing out, he can use his sanctions someplace else. So Competition and Mid Ohio make up their minds. Terry said right now they are having venue issues at this point in time, so they have to find a good venue. Basically if we just have a Memorial Day weekend, anybody bids it and until we put in the sanction request, we can adjust. These are just bidding for dates today and speculation on what you want to do. Al said you can't adjust the date, you can adjust what event you want to put on for that date and you can adjust the date if your venue is not there. However we want to do

it, it doesn't matter because we will have to adjust the low speeds anyway because even our track is not available until September or October. There are provisions if you don't have a venue or if you lose it to adjust it.

Buckeye - May 23rd - Low Speed - 1 Sanction
Mid Ohio - August 8th - Christian Children's Home Show - 1 Sanction
Competition Corvette - May 24th - Low Speed - 7 Sanctions
Tiretown - June 20th - Car Show (Beef O'Brady's) - 3 Sanctions
Medina Corvette - May 30th - Rally - 5 Sanctions
Mahoning Valley - June 28th - Car Show - 7 Sanctions
Lake Shore - July 18th - Car Show (Vettemillion) - 5 Sanctions
North East Ohio - August 2nd - Car Show - 7 Sanctions
Mound City - Passed
Kanawha Valley - June 27th - Car Shows (Dresden) - 7 Sanctions
Corvette Canton - August 29th - Car Shows - 4 Sanctions
Fun Center - August 15th - Car Shows (Serpentini) - 3 Sanctions

Round Two

Corvette Cleveland - June 7th - Car Shows (Sunnyside) - 7 Sanctions
Buckeye - June 14th - Car Shows - 6 Sanctions
Mid Ohio - June 6th - Car Show & Rally - 2 Sanctions
Competition Corvette - May 25th - Low Speed - 3 Sanctions
Tiretown - October 3rd - Low Speeds - 2 Sanctions
Medina - August 16th - Rallies - 5 Sanctions
Mahoning Valley - July 25th - Car Shows - 3 Sanctions
Lake Shore - June 21st - Car Shows (Liberty Air Museum) - 3 Sanctions
North East Ohio - Donated 3 Sanctions to Region for Low Speeds
proceeds to be used towards maintenance of the trailer,
will be used as "fill-in" on other events
Mound City - Passed
Kanawha Valley - Passed
Corvette Canton - May 17th - Car Shows - 4 Sanctions
Fun Center - October 4th - Low Speed - 1 Sanction

Round Three

Corvette Cleveland - May 23rd - Low Speeds - 3 Sanctions
Lake Shore - August 23rd - Car Show (For the Troops) - 2 Sanctions
Fun Center - October 3rd - Low Speed - 1 Sanction
Tiretown - October 4th - Low Speed - 2 Sanctions
Fun Center - Donates 2 to the Region
Tiretown - August 15th - Low Speed - 3 Sanctions
Buckeye - May 17th - Car Shows - 1 Sanction
August 29th - Car Shows - 2 Sanctions

Al then went over the list; Corvette Cleveland used all their sanctions, Tiretown has used all theirs and Corvette Canton has used all theirs. Mid Ohio has used only 3 of their sanctions and Dan Gallagher said he is going to hold for right now, they plan to put the events on, they will work with whoever, they want to do low speeds and are trying to find a venue. Jackie Stoutenburgh said there are only 3 sanctions on Memorial Day, Monday and on Saturday there are four so far, the only full day is Sunday, Competition with all seven. The Region can put four sanctions in on Monday and three on Saturday. Terry asked Dan if he could use the ones they have, he counts five and Al said right now the weekend is 4, 7 and 3. Dan said they are going to hold off right now. Terry said, so we have five that were given to the Region, if need be, they can....and Dan said they don't have to be scheduled today. Terry said we can wait to fill them in. Terry said they need seven more, so if the Region uses five then we will need 2 more from somewhere else. They will hold up on that to see if someone else wants to go in after the fact. Al said as he goes down the list, Tiretown has used all their sanctions, Medina has used all theirs, Mahoning Valley has used all theirs, Lake Shore has used all theirs, North East has used all theirs, Mound City hasn't used any, Kanawha Valley still has three left, Corvette Canton's are all used, and Fun Center's are all used. Bob Niznick asked if he could swap out some dates and Al told him to talk to whoever has the dates he would like to change to. Bob asked if he was allowed to do that now, or if he should have done it to prior to his bidding. Terry said nothing is written in stone right now and Al said Bob could talk to them.

Break for lunch - 12:27

Return from lunch 1:06

Round Table

Corvette Cleveland - Al Flanhofer
Wished everyone a Merry Christmas

Mid Ohio - Cheryl Getzy
Wished everyone a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Competition Corvette - Ted Vanelli (Proxy)
Merry Christmas & Happy New Year to everyone. Hope to have more speed events next year

North East Ohio - T R Aldrich
Happy Holidays. Looking forward to another competition season

Mahoning Valley - Sam Sicilia
Happy Holidays to everyone and have fun at the banquet

Buckeye Corvettes - Barb Kukasky

Happy Holidays and hopefully its a quick winter so we can start having a good time again

Fun Center - Carol Engel (Proxy)

Merry Christmas to everyone

Tiretown - Peggy Quine

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year to everyone

Lake Shore - Bob Niznick

Hopes everyone has a great Christmas and Happy New Year and see you at Vettemillion

Terry then said he was just reminded that we will need someone to step up for the 2021 banquet, so governors please take that back to your clubs.

Terry then asked Ray Valentine if he had anything to say as being the new RCD. Ray wished everyone a happy holiday, drive safe, have fun and enjoy your families.

50/50 was drawn.

Meeting adjourned at 1:10pm

Respectfully submitted,

Ryki Woods, Secretary
(Transcribed from recording)