

MINUTES

EAST OHIO REGIONAL MEETING

COMFORT INN & SUITES, WADSWORTH, OH

MARCH 2, 2019

Regional Executive: Terry Muich

Regional Competition Director: Al Flanhofer

Regional Membership Director: Cheryl Getzy

Regional Secretary: Ryki Woods

Regional Treasurer: Peggy Stephens

ATTENDEES:

Governors:

Corvette Cleveland - Al Flanhofer

Buckeye Corvettes - Barb Kukasky

Mid-Ohio Corvettes - Cheryl Getzy

Mahoning Valley Corv - Sam Sicilia

Mound City Corv - Rudy Shaffer (proxy)

TireTown Corvette - Peggy Quine

North East Ohio Vette - TR Aldrich

Fun Center Corvette - Carol Engel (proxy)

Medina Corvette - Rich Brooks

Kanawha Valley Corv - Chuck Stephens

Corvette Canton Inc - Mark Thurin

Guests:

Ted Vanelli

Dennis Patrick

Susan Hamilton

Michael Getzy

Dan Gallagher

Regina Reynolds

Glenn Stephens

B U Ambuter

Janice Sudia

Steve Hamilton

Cal Woods

Jim Hartzler

Sharon Burk

Cindy Flanhofer

Jeff Kubiak

Donald Burk

Ray Valentine

Dave Kukasky

Warren Obert

Judy Sicilia

Joe Mattingly

Sue Mattingly

Roger Flading

Holley Baker

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 by RE Terry Muich.

The meeting began with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance. Terry knew of only one EOR member who had passed away since our last meeting, Dave Zranxky??? from NEOVC. A moment of silence was observed. There are 11 governors present, so we do have a quorum.

Guests, governors and officers all introduced themselves.

Minutes - Ryki Woods

There is one correction, when a motion was made to use the \$3,000 deposit for Track X III, everyone voted except for 2 people. Terry didn't ask for abstentions. Therefore, the minutes need to be corrected to reflect that there were 2 abstentions to the motion. No other corrections were pointed out. A motion was made to accept the minutes as sent and corrected, seconded and passed unanimously.

Treasurer - Peggy Stephens

Peggy sent the report to all the governors and they indicated they had received it. A motion was made to suspend the reading of the Treasurer's Report, seconded and passed unanimously. Terry asked if there were any questions or discussions. Rich Brooks said that last time we met we had the 2019 Amended Proposed Budget, but there was some talk about increasing fees and after he went through it, he sees that according to the proposed budget we have earned \$2762.50 more than we are going to spend and he is wondering if we are still going to visit the issue of increasing fees for the clubs. Terry asked if he meant the sanction fees and Rich said yes. Terry said we would talk about it in Old Business. Peggy pointed that she had the Track X information all broken out to keep everyone up to date with what is going on with Track X. (Track X 3).

RMD - Cheryl Getzy

Right now the total membership of NCCC is 17,298. We got one new club. All membership cards have been sent out and everyone should have gotten them. Let her know if you haven't gotten them and she will let Amelia know. They have to wait until they get a batch to print, as it is much more costly to print one or two at a time. They reviewed standings and Buckeye was 7th in National points, Corvette Cleveland was 3rd, and Cornhuskers in Omaha was 1st as they always are. They are a large club and they hold many, many events through the year, probably 90 sanctioned events in a year. Captain Jack took first place this year.

Cheryl did pass out a sheet to the governors from NCCC which asks that the governors at the end of the year send in a report listing what their club did for charity, such as contributions, etc. The governors can send it in to either Cheryl or Terry and they will get them in to the Charity people. It is online and was in the President's report. Terry said that what they are doing, bringing it more to the forefront (it has always been in there under Charity), is because some people think National should have a charity also and this is to prove that the individual clubs and Regions already donate a lot to their specific charity. If we have enough of these in to show them that we don't need to also give

money to National for them to decide what charity they want, because the clubs and Regions are already donating substantial amounts to charities, including St. Judes. That is our reasoning that National really doesn't need to be in the charity business. They tried the car raffles and didn't really make any money on that and it is tough for them to get money. So that is their thinking, so please fill this information out and Terry thought they want it for the Spring meeting, so you can put in what you gave last year (2018). So, fill it out for 2018 and try to do it annually so it is available for the National meeting which is usually in February. Terry said a lot of people said they had not seen this form before, but it has always been there, they have just not pushed it. Cheryl said it was in Michelle's report at the end of the President's report.

FCOA, Pat Kelly is stepping down, there is no replacement yet, hopefully in May they will have one. She is stepping down due to health problems. If anyone has children in that, if they move, she needs the new address, because it is common for families with young children to move and if they don't have the new address, they will not get the materials. All you have to do is drop Cheryl or Terry a note that there is a new address and, of course, once they turn 16 then they can become a regular member. Terry pointed out that they did at one time request if you have some FCOA kids and they become 16, make a note if they become regular members and get it to Cheryl or Terry and they can get that to National, because they are trying to follow up and see if the kids who are in it follow up and become Corvette club members. Rich Brooks asked for clarification as it says to send it to the NCCC, does Cheryl want it or should it to go NCCC. Cheryl said either way.

Cheryl then asked for questions. Al Flanhofer had a question regarding the high speed license. He said we have done away with the paper high speed license, it is all on data base now and if the person goes in and prints a paper copy of their NCCC card, it has their high speed license, but the ones they mail out don't have it, why is that? Why don't they print out the same one we would print out? Cheryl said she doesn't have a good answer to that. She asked Amelia about it and it is probably down the road they will get it in and, of course, next year we will have a different card altogether. They told us they were changing the look of the cards, but they had so many of the existing cards because we were supposed to keep that card for 5 years, so they had all these cards and they are expensive even if they are blank, so why would they throw them away. So next year, the 2020 cards will be different. So, they are still working on things, they have a different printer this year and are trying to get the cost down, because the cost is very high for the cards, it costs about \$20,000 to print them all, and when you add mailing, labor, etc, it is quite expensive. They argue with the Finance Committee because the members want the plastic cards. Cheryl asked for any other questions and there were none.

RCD - Al Flanhofer

Al attended the RCD meeting in St. Louis last weekend, some of the things that were announced were that all of the 2018 results from last year are final and they reviewed the top 15 clubs and men and women points. In our Region we don't do drag racing, but if anyone is interested, there are going to be 3 record drags in 2019, April 7th 1/8th mile record drag in Holland, Texas, September 15th, 1/4 mile record drag in Holland, Texas

and October 20th, a 1/4 mile record drag in Noble, Oklahoma. If anyone wants to attend a high speed driving school, the East Region is putting one on at the Pocono Raceway on May 4th. There was a lot of discussion on the C7 Grand Sport. Last year it ran in N class. There were a lot of complaints (and Al personally feels that we should add another letter), but the N class is now the C7 Grand Sport, the C7 Z06 and now it is the C7 ZR1, and there is a 300 hp difference there, so they moved the C7 Grand Sport back to M class, which Al didn't like because now it is in the same class as his C6 Grand Sport.

A question came up on roll bars. If you look in the NCCC rule book, it only addresses roll bars that are either 1-1/2" outside diameter with 1/8" wall thickness or 1-3/4". Someone wanted to build a 1-5/8" roll bar out of chrome moly and that is not in the rule book, so they decided that instead of modifying the rule book (there was a lot of discussion on this, wall thicknesses and so forth, because chrome moly is stronger than carbon steel), so they are just going to put a clarification in the manual. It says "any type of roll bar that doesn't meet the NCCC specs (which is either the 1-1/2 or 1-3/4) must have a certification that it meets the criteria for NHRA, SCCA, NASA or FIA". That means if you build a roll bar and it doesn't meet these specs, then you have to get it certified on your own and you have to bring a certification stating it will meet the above specs.

There was another question that came up on an adjustable spring on a C4. Peggy has the actual printout, it is under Suspension 2.7.1.4 No 21. If you go under Group 3 cars, there was a Y there and it should be an NA. It was just an omission years ago when the rule book was made.

Al asked for questions. Cheryl asked when the new rule book would be coming out. Al said it hasn't come out yet, we are still using the 2017-2018 book. The new one probably won't be approved until the end of this year.

The next topic was autocrossing. As you know, for the last two years, we have come out of the little helmet sticker, when the helmets were approved at the first autocross. This year there will be a slightly bigger sticker which will go on the windshield of the car and there will be an annual tech in the Region. Also, Ray Valentine, will be the Chief Technical Inspector, per instructions in the rule book. We will try, to save time at the first autocross, Ray will set up at the first car show this year, he will be there with a jack, tools, etc. and anyone who is going to autocross, if you come to the first car show, you can get your car teched there and that way they will already be done. Since it is an annual tech, cars will not have to be teched for the funkhanna. The question was asked, what if you can't be at the first car show? Al said in that case, you can possibly make arrangements with Ray and Terry and take the car to Terry's garage and have it teched there. The object is to get as many cars done as possible before the first autocross. That tech will be good all year, so that won't have to be done at the end of the year when we have the other autocross events. Ray said his intent is to bring what he needs, not only to the first car show, but to other car shows as well. He wants to go over specifically what he needs, since some people have issues with jacking up their new cars, what is good with the wheel bearings, etc., so they are going to talk about that and see at what level

and how deep they want to get into this. Obviously you have to have the battery fastened, etc. The thing Ray learned about by going to the meeting was that they kind of expressed for all of us that we really control that here in our Region and Al really controls that as to what we do when it comes down to tech. The idea is, obviously, to be safe, and we are talking about safety inspections first, basically have everything nailed down, so your seatbelts, battery, etc. are done. When you come to the rules, that is another section, i.e., do you have the right springs, right intake, etc. and that is a whole different thing. They have to talk about having the right carburetor, etc. so that will be discussed, but the concept behind this is to expedite the start of a speed event so when we get there it doesn't take three hours to tech all the cars and hopefully there will just be a few cars that show up that haven't been teched and we will be able to start a lot earlier. You will still be able to tech the cars and you will always have people show up who haven't had their cars teched or people from other Regions and their cars will have to be teched. What we are doing it to try to simplify things. Another thing that was pointed out also, was that when it comes down to it, the responsibility really falls on the person who owns the car, it is their responsibility to make sure that car is solid and in good working order and basically we are just going over it to make sure that there is nothing obvious sticking out. Ray couldn't think of a car part at the moment that is hanging there, if you fix it now you can run, this is something that is questionable and we are not going to stop you from running, if you think it is safe enough. Here again, the responsibility falls on the person running the car. The question was asked if there was some type of form that the car owner signs saying that things will not be changed after that tech, because things can change from the beginning of the year to the end. Al said we have always had to sign the tech sheet. When you got teched, there was a tech sheet which went on your windshield and after they teched the car, you signed, that will be the same.

Al then pointed out, like Ray was saying, you could have, for example, "spongy" brakes, they don't check brakes when they tech the car. The ultimate responsibility falls on the person who owns the car and drives it. They are not taking liability for the car, they are just making sure all the obvious things are safe.

Rich Books asked for Ray's phone number in case someone needs to call him. Terry said if there is any question, get ahold of him and he will call Ray.

Al is going to put on the email to all the governors that we are going to have the tech at the first car show and if Ray is ok with it, he will put his number on it. Ray pointed out that if a car is teched, they check the brakes, they are fine. The driver goes out and makes two or three runs and all of a sudden he cooks his brakes, now they are not gone, but the driver is not going to say anything to anybody because he wants his points. He will go through, take his runs and may have to pump his brakes two or three times to get them back and then all of a sudden, the brakes worked when the car went through tech, the tech people signed the sheet, the driver signed the sheet, but now all of a sudden, the brakes don't work, so will the driver give up his points for the rest of the day, so, where do you draw that line? The one thing he learned at National is they look at it from the point of view that here in the Region, when it comes to competition, Al controls that and then drivers are responsible for their own cars. Terry pointed out that when you run, there are

parts on the car that you can't see. He recalled two accidents we had in the Region, Carol Etzel lost her car because the A frame broke and when they brought it back the next day, you could see where it had been cracked if you looked at it, unless you x-rayed the whole car, you couldn't see it. When Wayne Davidheiser wrecked his car at Longaberger his rear tie rod split and when they got it back to his place and looked at it, it was frozen up, it was stiff and that caused his ball joint to not work properly and it was cracked. So, everything can be perfect in the morning and you can go over the car bumper to bumper really thorough tech, and if the guy goes out and makes two or three runs and then something you can't see takes a hike. Even when Carol Etzel wrecked theirs, they found a lug nut with a stud busted off in it. So everyone started looking at theirs. So anything can happen at any time. So basically what they are saying is we want a general safety check and even still before events if there is a question, you still have to make sure that the car you put in a certain class is supposed to be in that class, look for obvious stuff. So, it is a work in progress and Terry is sure there will be a lot of bugs to work out.

Peggy Quine said, we are saying we are going to do an annual check, but at the actual event are we going to do a minimum check, or no check at all. Al said if the car has the sticker on it that says it was checked, we aren't going to do anything. But the registration people have to still make sure the cars are classified right. If for instance, a driver runs the first event with street tires and comes back the next event with race tires, he will have to be put in another class, but that has to be done at registration. Ray made the point that if people are running in a class and they come up and say, I see this car in my class, but it has modifications and doesn't really belong in this class, okay, so two or three people go over and look at, you drag out the rule book and the rule book is pretty clear if you are in 1 or 2 or 3 and you go from there. Then it is adjusted at that point. The point is to have fun, not to cause controversy over whether you have 7/16 or 5/16 lug nuts. Another issue that has always been an issue is tires. So they will have to figure where tires go when people start complaining about tires. Here again, once you tech the car, if nobody complains about those cars in those classes, Ray supposes somebody can modify something and if it is done in the correct manner, you are not necessarily going to know about it. He said listening to the guys at National that run for National points, they have some guys that are in the top 15 who have some really built cars. He assumes they are legit since they run them all across the country in different Regions against all different competition which is why they are in the top 15 in the nation. Here again, that's not going to be like my (Ray's) car because my car is not built like that. It was an enlightening event. Terry said it is still in the rules that any car can be pulled in and re-tched for any reason or for no reason at any time. The point was made that if a car goes off the course, it should be rechecked for safety reasons. Terry said that if you are watching a car run and you saw it the weekend before at a low speed or car show and somebody (corner worker, etc) notices something wrong, any car can be re-tched at any time during the day for absolutely no reason. The rules say you can pull any car in at any time and re-tech it.

Al pointed out that if its the same people driving the same car, we aren't going to re-tech them. We will do an annual tech and that will be it. Al asked for any more questions on the annual tech.

Al then spoke about the 200 club, saying that it is really growing. Last year we had 53 men and 28 women in it. We also had 21 people who qualified for worker awards. Therefore, Al had to buy over 110 shirts, along with jackets, etc. For all the members in the 200 club, NCCC gives us a rebate and this year we got \$1,583 rebate check back to the Region from NCCC. Al told Peggy after she paid the bill this year, for all the clothing which was a little over \$4,000 and he was at Elegant Embroidery and Al was talking to them about it and they refunded us \$237.

Al ordered the First Place patches for Corvette Cleveland and when he picks them up in May, (Dan will pick them up, he will be proxy) he will also get the patches for the 200 club members. Al asked for further questions. The question was asked for the amount of the two checks and NCCC gave us \$1,583 and \$237 from Elegant Embroidery.

Committee Reports

Banquet

Terry Muich gave the following report. The Banquet is tonight and until we get the final numbers in, so far they are going to be under the original \$750. A lot of people stepped up and we will see at the end of the night what the baskets and so forth bring in, but we should be under the budget. The questions was asked how many baskets and we really won't know until tonight because the baskets come in up until the banquet. We have 130 people signed up and we have been trying to promote it more so its not just for the award winners, but that is not working too well.

Mid Ohio Corvette Club is working on the 2020 Banquet and by next meeting we should have a proposal from where we will be holding the banquet. Dan Gallagher said he will talk to the Banquet Committee (Dan & Terry).

Hall of Fame

Mickey couldn't be here tonight due to her mother's health. Carol Engel gave the report. Mickey printed out what was sent to Terry. She talked about the requirements and will have the changes and upgrades at the next meeting. According to the minutes, the changes to the Hall of Fame will be read at this meeting and voted on at the next meeting.

The changes are as follows:

TIME LINE:

a) Annual nominations will be OPENED at the **2nd** regular regional meeting of the year. **The Hall of Fame Committee** will provide procedure and nomination forms to all club Governors. **(Revised 2/19)**

b) Nominations will close at the **3rd** regional meeting. Nominees will be narrowed to no more than six **by the Hall of Fame Committee within two weeks of that meeting.**

(Revised 2/19)

c) **Ballots will be handed out at the December regional meeting to all Governors in attendance, with returned stamped envelopes. If a club is not represented at this meeting, a ballot will be immediately mailed to the club governor at his home address. Biographies will be e-mailed to all governors prior to the December meeting.** (revised 2/19)

d) Completed ballots are due back postmarked 30 days prior to the East Ohio Region banquet. **A blank ballot is better than no ballot.** (revised 2/19) Terry said, in regards to this, it would be nice to get them back from all 13 clubs.

REQUIREMENTS:

The nominee must have been a member in good standing of the EAST OHIO REGION **for a minimum of fifteen (15) years.** EXCEPTION: Death while still a member. (revised 2/19)

The nominee must have participated very actively in the past **and** present by promoting or helping the Region to prosper.

Paraphrased from original board of governors comments. The award recognizes the people who have made significant contributions of their time and effort to help East Ohio Region and N.C.C.C. prosper. Just as the Corvette is a prestigious automobile, such is the honor to obtain this award. (revised 2/19)

The field of what you can be nominated for is wide open, instead of using a list of what you can do, the committee has chosen to allow the nominator to determine if a person qualifies. The nominator will use whatever they feel, is applicable for this person. The Hall of Fame Committee will make the final determination if the person qualifies. (revised 2/19)

The nomination process will be yearly, if the nominee is not placed on the ballot, you can apply again the next year, but must give better proof for consideration. If the nominee is placed on the ballot and does not make it they can also be re-nominated the next year and give more proof. Again the Hall of Fame Committee will have final say so as to who goes on ballot. (revised 2/19)

VOTING PROCEDURE:

d) The Nominee **MUST** have **Eighty percent (80%) or more votes from the current clubs in region to be inducted into the Hall of Fame.** (revised 2/19)

INDUCTEE RECOGNITION:

All inductees into the Hall of Fame will be honored at the annual East Ohio Regional banquet with a **plaque, Hall of Fame pin, meal (published cost to attend banquet) provided by the Hall of Fame fund. Additionally, two pages in the Hall of Fame Photo Album will be reserved for each Inductee. Hotel cost will NOT be provided.**
(revised 2/19)

Since the Hall of Fame is in the Standing Rules, we can vote on this today, since we have a quorum.

Jeff Kubiak asked about the voting, Terry said we have to have 80% of the clubs voting and each governor gets one vote, so do you have to have 80% of the 13 and Terry said yes, that is correct. Terry pointed that what we basically decided is that the onus is on the people nominated and nominating to get the word out and if you feel strongly enough about this person, and promote them, then the governors will vote for them. What they are trying to do is get everyone involved, even if you only send in a blank ballot. What it boils down to is the person has to be known and they have to have people promoting them. Mickey's point was that if you have a lesser amount voting on it, then it kind of "waters" down the award. Terry said the rules state that the nominees must have 80% or more of votes from the current clubs in the region, so yes, you need 80% of the 13 clubs, so at least 11 clubs would have to vote. Again Terry pointed out that it is up to the person nominating to make sure they put their nominee out there and get the votes. Mickey's big concern was that we are not putting people in just because they have been long time members, because there are people who have been members forever and most people have no idea of who they are. There are people who join clubs and don't really participate, so you don't know who they are. Here again, you want someone who is worthy of the nomination. Just because you don't know them right now doesn't mean they haven't done a lot in the past. Therefore, it is the nominator's job to promote their nominee. We can vote on it today since we have a quorum. There is someone going in today. This will be changed for this year. Chuck Stephens made a motion that we accept the amended proposal for the Hall of Fame requirements, seconded. Discussion called for. Al asked what the rule of 80% was changed from. Terry said it formerly said 75% of the clubs that turned in ballots. The inductee this year was covered under the previous rule and there were some clubs that turned in abstentions (blank ballot). A blank ballot is counted as a vote against. That is why the blank ballots are important, since that is still one more vote to figure the percentage on. Al said 10 clubs out of 13 would give you 76%, so we need 11 for 80%. That seems kind of high and chances are you will never put anyone in. The point was made, not if you get out and actually vote for people, which is what we are trying to do. Therefore, if a governor receives the ballot, they should take it seriously. Terry said the idea was that we had a few nominees a couple of years ago that were put in, they just met the basic minimum criteria for membership. Nobody but the immediate people in their club knew who they were, they did nothing, if you reviewed their records, they didn't attend anything but their home sanctions. So what this is, is an attempt to make it mean something. For people who get out and promote

NCCC, promote the Region, and that would include people behind the scenes as well. Everyone probably knows within their own clubs, when you are trying to accomplish something and trying to get volunteers, there are always the same people who will help out. We are trying to get it so we promote what they do. Even if you don't know them, if enough biography is written, you can read it and say, oh yeah, I didn't realize they did all this.

Ray Valentine said he is a good example of that. Again, we are promoting the Region, not just the club. The President of his club nominated him for the Hall of Fame and they turned it back and didn't accept it and right away everyone looked at him and said aren't you upset about that, etc. and he said he has been involved for a long time, been to regional things, has never held an office in the Region, has done a few casual things over the years for the Region, but have never really been what Terry is trying to represent, has not done enough over the approximately 45 years to be a person who belongs in the Hall of Fame. He agrees with that. So, here again, his club members don't understand what the Region is and were polite and nice enough to nominate him and it was turned back. Right away you get that gossip. Ray understands the reasoning behind it. Terry said if the biography had been better written, there are probably a lot more things Ray has done to promote the Region and he doesn't realize that he has done it. Here again, it wasn't rooted out and it wasn't promoted. Janice Sudia is a classic example. She was active when Terry first got into the club, she was very good at rallies. Things get in the way and you get away from being active, so people didn't really know her background. When she found that out, she has been going around and introducing herself and going to events. If they wrote a biography on her and everything she has done over the years, and even people that don't know her now, if you have a really good biography on a person and list out what they have done, even without knowing them, you are going to say, I didn't realize they did that, and that is what we are after. Warren, Mickey and Terry agreed that they wanted the benchmark to be higher to get in so it means more, they don't want it watered down. That cheapens it for everyone else who is in. The suggestion was made to give it a year try and revisit it and change it. Terry said that is the beauty of the Standing Rules, anytime you have a quorum and it is discussed, it can be changed at any time. For By-Laws it is more difficult. Terry asked for any more discussion. There was none. The motion has been made and seconded. Vote was taken. Motion passed unanimously. All the governors should have gotten this information. Terry realizes that not everyone has time to review all this material. Terry also advised everyone to check their spam files.

MVP - Chuck Stephens

Chuck has not received anything, so he has nothing to report. This will be discussed in Old Business as well.

RE Report - Terry Muich

Terry began by mentioning Jim Sine. They (National) were supposed to talk about him and Al sent an email and you have all been getting Terry's emails with National and how National is answering him. There are not a whole lot of facts coming back from them. He mentioned at the last meeting that he wasn't happy with them and he kind of sat back

for a little bit to see how they were going to react and give them a chance to do the right thing. However, they didn't. Al's email to Kathy and asked what we are going to do. First she said we are going to talk about what to do. They never even talked about it. Nobody brought it up at any RE, secondary meetings, governors meetings, they didn't want to talk about it. Our Parliamentarian is Kathy Brisbois and Ray was there and Barb was there and at our break we talked to Kathy and as you saw what I said to Jim Walton, he is the Business Agent, she got me the copy of the incident report. So far Kathy is the only one who stepped up to do anything and she has some more forms. She went on vacation right after the meeting and will be back, I think, on the 12th and she will get us the rest of the information. Still, nobody wants to talk about it. Even Kathy said it's not for the RE's to decide. Competition says it is not for us to decide. Well, Terry's stance is the RE's should talk about this. The RE's do the Standing Rules and the By-Laws. Now National's RE description is not worded as strongly as ours, our description is that they are the CEO and the RE is responsible for making sure everybody follows the rules. National's is a little bit lighter than that but when I told Kathy that the RE's decide it because that is what we are supposed to do, we are supposed to make sure everyone follows the rules and she answered back with ok like we are doing with the Standing Rules and By-Laws. So, we are working on it. We agreed at the December meeting to send a letter out to Jim to make sure that it was proper and legal and Terry looked into it. He contacted Janice Sudia's niece and the charge was \$100 per hour, minimum of an hour, so we are looking at \$200 at least, maybe more. So we still have not gotten anything in writing from National and last Terry heard, Jim hasn't gotten a letter from National saying he was thrown out. Terry talked to George Kimbel and he has not gotten anything. So Terry talked to Kathy and she said it was in the minutes and he asked her if she actually saw what was in the minutes about that, the National minutes. Terry asked if everyone knew how to get to the National minutes, they moved them to the Members Only section and it was basically two sentences. Terry is paraphrasing, a complaint was filed, they saw it, the board was convened and they threw him out. That was it. Terry is working hard to get some clarity on this and his stance is that we need to study that accident if for nothing else, for accident prevention. Peggy Quine asked what Terry is trying to do. Is it to get it in writing that Jim no longer can attend or is no longer in National...? Terry said we just need something in writing, right now there is nothing in writing. Peggy said, that is what she was saying. Terry said, right now we are trying to get something in writing that says he was thrown out. And for what reason. That is what Terry told Kathy, that the problem is that we don't know what criteria was used and what the process was, they didn't tell us how they decided. They didn't tell us what they looked at. Peggy said she thought it was poor sportsmanship. Terry said it was sportsmanship, but what did they look at? What did they determine? Just because George thought his (Jim's) attitude was bad? If that is the criteria, there are probably a lot more members who could be tossed out. Just because these people got together to determine that. Really, and that is Terry's thing, there is nothing in writing and so what can you do. Then you have people who don't understand it and as a club who don't understand it. Terry had to go to Buckeye's meeting last year and they have been asking Barb what did they do and we really don't know. All we have is hearsay, nothing in writing. So that is what we are after. Barb said the other thing besides sportsmanship was his not cooperating with the insurance companies and Terry says they are saying his

whole attitude, that's what they are telling us, they won't put it in writing, but they are telling us that it was his attitude, but they didn't put down, they didn't set the criteria and then when Terry said something to Kathy that we needed to review the accident and her email to Al, when Terry asked her if they were reviewing that, her answer was that was beyond the scope of the board, Terry's answer was, wait a minute, what prompted George to file that sportsmanship claim? She couldn't pull that out and Terry said "the accident". Then she said, "well it was because he didn't want to pay." Terry then said "what would he have to pay for" and she said "the accident". Without reviewing the accident and seeing, maybe Jim's contention was right, maybe George in that Cadillac was parked so close he didn't have a chance. This was also Jim's issue because everybody at every event is responsible if they see a safety issue to stop it. So basically everyone is at fault, but we need to review it to see if maybe Jim's bad attitude was right, he was getting put upon. He's saying it was the "good old boys network" and without anything in writing, you can't dispel that. Everything is hearsay.

Ray Valentine said what he expressed to Kathy and he thinks it is important that everyone know this, the first thing he said to her was that what this has generated, because there is nothing in writing from National, it has created a bunch of rumors. We all talk about what we thought happened, because it happened in Wisconsin. Everything we are getting is rumors. Ray talked to Jim and he (Jim) never really gave Ray any facts. He gave Ray his opinion and obviously he was upset about the whole thing. Ray told him, first thing, we need something solid which will take the rumors out, saying "this is what happened". On top of that there were questions about his (Jim's) car. Was his car kept properly, someone said something about something was wrong with his car. Ray said, ok, now what you have done in the Region is you have opened up a can of worms about tech. Then you talk about how he ended the end of the course and ran into the other cars, regardless of what happened, because it is all rumor, two cars were wrecked and he got hurt, so Ray said, now you have brought up how we set our courses up. What is safe and what isn't safe. Ray expressed this to Kathy and asked her to please convey this to everyone so they understand what is going on. Lets go forward from here, lets not go backward and worry about stuff. These are the issues that have been generated in our Region, lets solve the problems and go from there. So hopefully, through Kathy we can get someone results from the rest of the board.

Terry said, he is on it, and like he told Kathy, we are getting the extreme "mushroom" treatment and if there is anything that upsets him (Terry) it is getting that. They treat you like you're not worth explaining this to and that doesn't fly for Terry or for the Region.

Rich Brooks said he understands all of that and he is with Terry in his need to know. He thinks the other underlying issue for him (Rich) is the insurance, have they done anything. He knows what they covered was removed from the NCCC National website (Terry said, yes they took the FAQs off), and nothing has been put back, so the question Rich has is, will the insurance company cover anything. We have our competition season coming up and it may be, hey everyone is own their own because there isn't anything the insurance company will do.

Terry said, if you go back and read his emails, the first ones that he sent to Tim Greis, he asked him all those questions, if you go back and read them, the answer is pretty clear. Basically what he says is that it is a third party liability. Dennis (he was the Business Agent) was into it pretty good. So it is a third party liability only. It is not an automotive insurance. If you read what Terry asked Tim Greis about it, he asked him if this was ever filed. He said no. So he asked him some more questions and said what he (Terry) doesn't understand is why we had an event where a guy ran off the track and he understands the insurance not paying for his car, but he damaged these other cars, they're not paying for those cars, but you paid to replace the guard rails where someone went off the track at the Museum, and you paid for Eastern Tennessee where Goebel had one of his people at a car show back into a showroom window at a car dealer. So Terry asked what the difference was and he explained it to him in his email where he replied to Terry, it is not an automotive insurance, it is a liability set-up. That's the way it has always been. Also, what Ray mentioned about the FAQs immediately coming off after this incident, what they are saying is Jim Walton was renegotiating for the insurance at that time and wanted to make sure it was proper. Terry said that was all well and good that could be, but the timing stinks and smells bad. Nothing the NCCC has done is passing "the smell test" at all and the more we ask, and Al has asked, Barb has asked and Cheryl has and all we get is the end of it and they don't understand the members are in charge of the clubs, we go through governors because you can't have 18,000+ people talking at once, so all the club members are supposed to convey through their governor what they want us to do. When we go to National, it is the same way. If everyone wants to hear it, so be it. If you want Terry to shut up and let it go, he will to a point. That is what upsets Terry, they don't care because it is not their Region. That is one of the points where Terry finally got Kathy on his side, he said "what if it was one of your club members". The board convened, someone wrote a complaint, you didn't decide why, but you saw it and we convened and decided yes, he was a bad person and we threw him out. End of story. What detail, not giving you any details. What caused it, we're not telling you. What criteria did you use, we're not telling you. Dan Gallagher reviewed the rules again and there is nothing in any of the rules that says that is supposed to be secret. Like Terry said, if you have taken the time to read the emails back and forth, you can see the answers we are getting back are nonsense. Jim Walton used to be the Parliamentarian, and when he had that position, we got along great. Now he is saying, and this isn't the first time, Barb had a question, and there was back and forth about an insurance question and Terry said why am I wasting time going through anyone else, he has Tim Greis's phone number and he is our contact with Legacy. Terry emailed him the question and he sent Terry an answer back. When Jim Walton heard about it, he said he didn't agree with Tim's answer, that isn't what it is. Jim Walton doesn't speak for Legacy Insurance, Tim Greis does. Terry explained that to Jim, he said wait a minute, if it is an email from Tim Greis as to how it is, that is how it is. That is legally binding, he is their representative. With this latest thing, Jim said we are supposed to go through him and not necessarily go through Tim, he just basically, in a round about way said Tim is just a flunky. But, we are not supposed to call Tim, if you notice on the form we finally got on the incident report, whose email was on the bottom of both pages, Tim Greis. What did it say? Fill this out and email it to Tim Greis at Legacy. If you look farther, they supposedly sent it in July, if you follow that trail, when

you see where it was sent, it wasn't sent to Tim Greis, it was sent to Brian, who is the boss at Legacy and Terry doesn't even think that email was right. Chances are, because they didn't put in the right email address, it might have gone into his spam. This is what Terry is trying to get from them. We are adults, we need to look at the procedure and get it straightened out and they are still refusing to talk. Kathy is the first one. So this is a work in progress and first off, Terry doesn't feel we should spend \$200 on a letter to send to Jim, we will wait to see what the determination is and if we get information that Kathy (she comes back on the 12th), she is supposed to get me the rest of the information she finally got for us.

Cindy Flanhofer said she would like to express her concern regarding the member we are talking about having unsportsmanlike conduct and there was an incident at a Lakeshore car show, so this is the second unsportsmanlike conduct incident with this individual, so what if in the future this happens again. Terry said, that is what he is trying to tell them, nobody is arguing to put Jim back in. At the December meeting it was brought up and incidents were cited like Cindy was saying, but they aren't telling us their criteria on how they did it. They are being quiet. George isn't really talking. They talk here, he says Jim talks to TR about it, but Jim never contacted Terry until he heard there was a vote and he thought Terry was going to vote. He called Terry three days before the meeting and Terry told him he (Terry) didn't vote. Jim said, do you have proxies and Terry said unless the governors he has proxies for tells him how they want to vote (and Terry put an email out to the governors), he doesn't vote. He just abstains. He doesn't use the proxy unless he is sure he knows how they are going to vote. If he isn't sure, he doesn't vote. Jeff Kubiak asked if this issue was about an entrant who was at a parking lot, finished the event, went through the lights and hit two cars, is it that the accident is not the issue, it is the unsportsmanlike conduct after the accident? Terry said, that is the problem. They said that the accident wasn't reviewable, it was beyond the scope, that was by argument that's what it was. And it is an ongoing battle. The last email Terry sent to Jim Walton, Al texted his (Terry's) wife and said take Terry's computer away from him. Terry is passionate about this, because he is representing the governors and the Region and they are fooling with one of our members and they could do it to any of us and say we decided someone filed an unsportsmanlike conduct complaint because you were using "potty mouth" at an event, or you told someone to put it "where the sun don't shine" (which has happened), but they decide they don't like you and they throw you out. The question was raised that at the December meeting it was discussed that if he was out of NCCC, he would also be banned from all car shows, obviously he won't get points because he is not a member, but if he shows up at a car show, and it is understood that Terry wants documentation, but what is Terry's direction because it is obviously moving slowly, if there is a car show, what is the club putting on the show supposed to do. Terry said it was in the minutes that he was expelled (was how they worded it). What Kathy is suggesting is if he shows up, don't take his money, don't let him sign the waiver, point out that he was expelled and to CYA for our club, we are asking you to leave. I guess you would treat it like any other person that showed up and is creating a ruckus. Kathy's suggestion is if he gets rowdy and doesn't want to go, you call the cops. The point was made, however, that if the event is open to the public... and Terry said that is the rub. But even the public, if you have someone who comes in off the street and is starting to stir up

things, you call the police. But, the question was asked, if he is not causing a problem... and Terry said if he is not allowed to sign a waiver, he "is not there". We don't have everybody sign a waiver, especially if people wander into a car show in a public place. When his club has their car show at the outlet mall, everyone that walks around does not sign a waiver. You can't have them do so.

Rich Brooks said he did look into the email that sent what they call a "notice of claim form" for insurance and it is kind of a joke as far as Rich was concerned and he is just wondering if we don't need to do something on a Regional level, and he is sorry, but he doesn't know if we have something for an incident report that we could fill out rather than chasing the National insurance down. Terry said, this is his point to them, how many of the people in this room had by your insurance companies and as you grew up and talked to law enforcement that if you have an accident, what do they tell you to do. If the police aren't there, fill out a police style report, with as much detail as you can and have any people involved sign it. If the other person involved has a different one, then they need to have it filled out and have people sign it. He put that in the one of the emails he sent, as a personal experience he had. He hit a lady and six or eight weeks later her husband decided to call his insurance company and they were going to sue Terry because it trashed their car. If he would not have stopped, backed up and pulled off, got her and filled something out, got her a copy and signed it, his insurance company would have bought them a car. Because he documented it, the time of day, the speed limit, passing zone, what happened and she admitted that her left turn signal was out, so when she was pumping the brakes, the right brake light was flashing and she pulled clear off to the right. But still, and that was also his point if you read all his emails to them that he and Jack Wilson that used to be the Business Agent was there. Supposedly, what Terry heard, he (Jack) was the one who reached in and turned Jim's car off. After the accident, Jim's car was t-boned against George's and it was still sitting there with the tires digging asphalt. Then they had to turn it off. That was Terry's next question to Kathy, which Terry suspected, because Rudy said he didn't have competition and Terry had always seen Jim run that car, he was a one car class, he's never pushed it, why was he pushing it? Terry said, did anyone consider that he might have a health issue? They said, they didn't think of that. Terry said, really, that's why you had to look at it. Now, it's so far gone, we don't know. That is what he wants them to review, which they won't even do. Like Ray said, we want to go forward, but you have to review and see what mistakes were made in the past so you can learn from it. That is where Terry is at. Like he said, the more they resist and won't even talk about it and just kind of blow us off, the madder he has gotten.

Roger Flading talked about waivers and said you just put them out and everyone signs. Terry said, you are supposed to, but if you are in a public place like a car dealership, you have people walking through to look at the new cars, you can't ask them to sign it. Roger said, but what he is saying is if Jim is going to try to get in to compete....Terry said, waivers, how many years have we actually talked and talked to legal people who say basically the waiver isn't worth the paper it is written on. That's Legacy's first line of defense, if you turn in a claim for an event and they don't have, in writing, and that is what Dave Goebel said, they don't even want electronic, they want the original copy of the waiver. If they don't see your name on that waiver, they say "prove you were there".

"Prove you were a part of that event, you weren't just walking down the street, tripped and turned it in to us" If your name is not on the waiver, you were not part of that event, that's their first defense. That's all it is. Terry asked Dennis what he was saying about the waiver. Dennis Patrick said that as Business Manager and Vice President of Competition, he has been through eight of these cases and one involved a fatality. If you took a look at it, the one he remembers the most is the city actually closed a road for them to run an autocross and during that, the whole town came out and one guy hit a beauty queen right across the hood at 60 miles per hour, she panicked and saw it spinning and she ran to it, versus away from it. That case went on for about eight years, but how the lawyers used the waiver form was number one to see who was there, so who were the people they could talk to that saw something. For the lawyers, from their perspective, these are the potential witnesses to talk about this. There are all sorts of things you can look at, like language, who is protected with third party liability and so forth, but if your name is on there, if you are not a member, it is my understanding that you had third party responsibility, but if you are a member of that club, you are also covered with that third party liability insurance as well. Terry said, since then with Legacy, that's why they added the coverage for officers for that. That was put in three or four years ago, when they went to Legacy. Everyone has dealt with their own insurance company, so you know what a hassle it can be. Unless you do it and sometimes even the people who do it don't understand because it is all...and that's neither here nor there on this. This issue is about the officials at NCCC not following their own rules. Not giving us an answer. Not telling us why. Like Terry said, Jim Walton was the Business Manager. Of all people, Jim should have known about filling out a proper accident report. If he did one, nobody knows. Here's the other rumor mill, here again this is all speculation, they said right after it happened, Terry heard that they called Jim Walton up and Jim Walton said, don't worry about it, you don't have to fill anything out. That's rumor. But two or three people said they heard that, but nothing is in writing. Basically, Terry asked if the governors want him to continue on and try to get all the information. Chuck Stephens said, this is his own opinion, but he thinks NCCC has some kind of vendetta against our Region. He had ironclad things and recently you had a guy unload a car, wasn't teched, he ran the car and they backed him. That's just the tip of the iceberg that he (Chuck) got into. He strongly suggests that if we are going to get rid of this guy (Jim), start documenting and "cover your rear end" because if we don't, you guys are going to be the ones to get sued. Like Dennis said, eight years the lawyers worked on it, but they will weasel around and get somebody. They had an incident about 15 years ago and they documented everything and they had everything written down, the paramedics, everything, CYA. He took it to a lawyer and he said, "can I get rid of this guy" and he said "Chuck if you don't tell him to stay away from there, that's negligence and no lawyer is going to accept that, gross negligence, because you know what he is". They got a letter and they saved it. So you can see the handwriting on this guy, if he shows up, there will be a problem. Terry said, that is what we are talking about and that's what Kathy said, all you can do because it is a public place, but it is our event, you can tell him because of his history, all that has happened, you are not welcome here, please leave. Chuck said, yes, you can tell him that and like he (Chuck) said, we've had other incidents with this guy. Even at Longaberger, he jumped on to Peggy and Sharon, unbeknownst to him. Terry said, back to his point, nobody is arguing to have him reinstated, what we are arguing for is why didn't National

follow their own protocol.. They didn't follow standard accident protocol. Chuck Stephens said they did nothing right. Like Terry said, Kathy stepped up for him and he is thinking that we are on the right track and that's why he said he didn't get the legal letter because of the cost. Unless you have something, and he has talked to a couple of people and if you don't have anything from National, they are not going to write the letter. So the best you can do, if Jim shows up, ask him to leave. That's all you can do. Sue Hamilton said that the email that went out originally when he was expelled, whatever, for unsportsmanlike and he can no longer attend an NCCC event. If that is in writing and he shows up, even if its at a car dealership, it is still an NCCC event, so how could you not tell him to leave? It's still an NCCC event and he is not allowed to attend NCCC events. Terry said, that is what we are doing. We will take one more comment and we will finalize this and move on. Jeff Kubiak asked if attends mean park your car like you are in the show, or does it just mean you are walking around. Terry says "attend" means you are trying to be part of the event. Jeff then said, so you can ask him to move his car, but unless he is causing a disturbance, you can't force him off the premises. Terry said just like anyone else who would come in off the street, if the area is cordoned off, if he comes in and parks his car, you ask him to move it. Terry said, what you have to do and he will go back and get personal, referring to a couple of years ago, he was in an antique tractor club and they had some guys come up from southern Ohio (and as he got more into it he found out after the fact that their biggest activity was rolling around in the dirt fighting each other). They tried to do that in Marshallville and they stirred up some thing and said they were going to fight this, so Terry called the Marshallville cops and they walked over to them. So, if you feel Jim is getting that belligerent, call the authorities. That's all you can do. Barb Kukasky said, when they talk about "expulsion", this is what the By-Laws say, "he is prohibited from attending any function, social or otherwise, of the corporation". So, if it is an NCCC event or we as a club have an NCCC event, he should not be allowed. Terry said your socials.....Barb said, I know, if its a public place there is a fine line, but.....Terry said, here again, if he shows up and you see it, ask him to please leave. Barb said, we will go find you (Terry). Terry said that's fine. Barb said her other thing, and this is just a comment, since he was in her club, there is a lot of conversation going around, "why do we need National, look how they treat us" and she has nothing to back up what they did to Jim because Jim is out there going "well, nobody cares and Terry and Barb didn't stand up for him, and National did this and why do we need it". Most clubs have a lot of people, Barb calls them "anti-NCCC" people to begin with, they don't see a benefit, we don't need their insurance and it is hard to come up with a comment for them to get them to understand without anything in writing or if we are not getting anything from National, we need to have something from the Region. Terry feels we have covered this for long enough and we will move on. One last comment from Roger. Roger feels the Region should come up with an accident report, a formal one on a piece of paper for every club so that you have something that is a form type of thing.....Terry said realistically our Region does that. We fill out a sheet for every incident. We did one when Wayne crashed his car. We didn't do one for Carol Etzel because it was....well we might have, Terry wasn't involved. Basically, we should do that, it is a good rule of thumb. Basically, if Jim Sine shows up, ask him to leave. Depending on how he reacts to that, if he is not there to stir things up, you might hurt his feelings, but he will leave. If he is there to stir things up, he's going to get in your face

about it. If he does, the next phrase you say to him is "we will call the authorities to have you escorted out of here". The question was asked, how will we know him if he comes to our show. Terry said, he will sign up and you will know him. If you see his name, if he sneaks in under your radar and you see his signature, at any sanctioned event, there will be at least two people there who will know Jim Sine. Rich Brooks said we have a Regional form that is an accident or incident form, where is it? Terry said, it's not Regional, it's National. It is the National Incident Report. What he is saying, is that what so far we have been doing, is there is one that Barb filled out when McKee fell, she filled out the report. What we have been doing is just like you would do if someone hits you in the parking lot or just like he (Terry) did. You get the paperwork and you don't need a printed form, you can use anything if you date it and if you put the information on, you fill it out and you get people to witness it with their names and contact information and if it is National, what you are supposed to do if it is a sanctioned event, you are supposed to contact Al and Jim Walton and Legacy.

The comment was made that we talked about this a couple of months ago, what would it take at this point for the Region to possibly looking at going back to having a Safety Director that can actually handle this type of situation if it occurs again? Terry said we don't need any more bureaucracy. It is just common sense and that was Terry's point to National, it is common sense. If this had happened, if Jim would have hit these cars as he was pulling into the Wal-Mart parking lot, you would have done the same thing. You would have called, you would have made a report and have it taken care of. The only actual person who would have if police were called, you would have an official form. We are ending this right now. If he shows up, if you are not sure, ask him to leave.

Proxies

We talked about proxies before. Terry's view was that they are kind of not necessary because you voted for the RE and if you feel strongly about something and you can't be at the National meeting, you are going to tell him. Well they kind of caved in on that a little bit. What they are doing this year, is if you turned in all the proxies for your governors, they will be good for the year and if you have proxy governor show up, then they will mark that off, because they are there, a warm body, so you don't need the proxies. What Terry did was he went back and got a hold of Sam and a couple of the ones he didn't have and the ones from last year that were still signed, he used those. So everyone is covered, we don't have to worry about that. She didn't send out numbers and we didn't vote on anything. That was Terry's point, last year there was one meeting that they asked for proxy votes, we needed them one time and then what happened, they saw that it was so overwhelming for it, then they switched it and asked who is against this. This was his point, out of four meetings last year, as if he didn't have proxies for three of those four meetings, they would have made all of your club members sign up as new members, if they enforced it. Membership hasn't been enforcing it. So, that's covered, everybody's proxies are covered.

Budget

The new budget, well we didn't actually have it, Terry has a copy if you are interested. He's not going to get into that because the budget will be sent to the governors. The

budget is not posted in the minutes. If the governors don't get the budget when she does email it, contact Terry and he will get you a copy. Basically, the biggest thing is the insurance cost is \$9,000 less this year with Legacy. Not because Jim did such a great job of negotiating...These were Jim's words at the meeting, he said he could not take credit for being such a great negotiator, but this is what they call a "down cycle" in insurance and there are more companies that are offering....at the time Legacy was one of the few insurance companies offering the insurance coverage we requested, now there are more out there, so competition helped lower prices. Like Terry said, if anyone wants to see the budget, he has it.

By-Laws and SOPs

They are working on those, a lot of it is just verbiage changes like we did with the Hall of Fame here. Just taking out ands, putting in stuff. There are some changes, and that will be presented at the next National meeting to the governors to be reviewed and voted on at the third meeting.

Charity

We have already gone through the Charity form.

Old Business

Sanction fees. We talked about raising sanction fees in December. Terry asked if the governors wanted to talk about that, we were supposed to table it until this meeting. Did anyone decide they want to talk about that, yes, no, maybe, forget it... The comment was made to table it and Terry said we tabled it until this meeting, so if we don't want to talk about it at this meeting, then we are done with it until we see a problem. Terry is pretty sure it was in the minutes that if nobody wants to talk about it, we will wait until we run out of money and then we will worry about it.

Surtax for people who use the timing trailer to cover maintenance. Do we want to do anything on that? We had a lot of suggestions on how much, charge per sanction fee to cover tires, maintenance, that kind of thing. Does anybody remember, did you take it to your clubs, do we want to talk about that? Do we just want to leave that hanging until we run out of money? We talked about all kinds of different numbers. If you want to discuss it, we talked anywhere from \$5 to \$15 per sanctioned event. We tabled that to this meeting to talk about it. Rich Brooks said he talked to his club and since most of their people don't race, they said they didn't really have an opinion and his (Rich's) opinion was that if we need the money for the trailer, usually we run anywhere from five to seven events on any given day, he doesn't think that the charge should be any more than \$10 per event should be sufficient, because quite honestly, you have 14 sometimes 21 over a holiday weekend, so you are looking at \$210 right off the top and so ok, how much maintenance can you have. Terry said, we are looking at the trailer, which is going to need tires eventually, it will also cover timing equipment and everything in there, such as if the generator dies, whatever. Here again, we just talked about it looking downstream. Does anyone have a number, Terry asked Al if he knew how many low speed events we have this year. Al said there are six days, for a total of 40 events. So, if there are 40 events, at \$10 that would be \$400. Al said, what we are proposing with the fee, right now

if you use the trailer you have to replenish what you use out of it. We were going make this just a fee to use and then we wouldn't have to worry about replenishment. Al said, for \$10, that wouldn't even cover probably the printing labels. Rich said he was looking at it the other way, replenish and the fee. The point was then made if the generator goes out, we would be looking at probably \$1,000. Al, said, then we could still have the club replenish everything plus pay \$10 or \$5 per event. Jeff Kubiak asked who paid for the trailer. Terry said East Ohio Region bought the trailer. Then Jeff asked who pays for the repairs now. Terry said it comes out of the Competition fund. Al said, ok, say Corvette Cleveland puts on an autocross. We use posting sheets and pay to replace them, we use printing labels and pay to replace them. We are paying for all the supplies we are using. Jeff said right now, the trailer maintenance comes out of the Competition fund for the Region. So, how is that funded, is that just a line item. Al said last year we had to buy a leaf blower, so that money came out of the Competition fund. Jeff said obviously if we are aware that things will wear out, can we come up with a number. Terry said, we can look ahead and see what tires will cost, but if you budget tires today, you never know on the size of tires if the price will be different tomorrow. A lot of stuff, like lights, Terry fixes because it is at his house and he turns in a bill. For instance, the skylight, it rotted out, he put a new one and just turned in the expense. This is just a suggestion. Peggy pointed that the funding right now, where we get the money for the Competition fund is from the sanction fees, which is \$25 per sanction. That money goes into Competition and then we get our rebate check back for the 200 club members. Jeff said he doesn't know how it all works out. Terry said, that is the only money Competition gets, is the sanction fees. And what people had, because not everyone wanted to raise the sanction fees, because not everybody uses the timing trailer and that is how we came up with, ok, lets put a per sanction fee or actually a rental fee to use the trailer. What you are suggesting, Terry and Al will get together and research it and see what an average set of tires would cost and walk around the trailer and see what needs to be replaced. Terry does not have a problem with doing the work on it, he has a lot of parts laying around. Al said, what we have now, the 200 club is getting more popular and growing each year, buying 110 shirts, jackets and everything, it was about \$4,200. We only take in \$3,200 for sanction fees. So we are like a \$1,000 in the red, but we just got the rebate check so, Competition right now is just about a wash. Jeff then asked about the sanction fees, for instance if Corvette Cleveland hosts an event, do they pay the sanction fee to the Region? Al said, yes, \$25 per sanction and it is paid at the end of the year for the next year. Terry said each club has 10 sanctions, \$25 per sanction, each club to use all their sanctions pays \$250 to the Region. That goes to the Competition fund to pay for everything, trophies, maintenance on the trailer, anything related to Competition comes out of that. What the Region gets for their operating fund is the head tax as we call it, \$5 per person. That goes into the General fund. What pays for Hall of Fame is the 50/50 raffles. Al said what the problem is, it is sort of a wash right now, we are spending about what we are taking in. Say, we have to buy a new generator for the timing trailer, that is about \$1,000 or more. So then, all of a sudden we are going to be in the hole for \$1,000. Jeff figure the life cycle for the trailer, what would that cost and add that to the sanction fees. Chuck Stephens said, Al should give them a rough estimate, if he can, per event what we spend for a weekend, whatever it is for the labels, all the stuff there and something for the fair use of the trailer, insurance, license, tire wear and all the other things and itemize it now and at the end of

the year, we start putting stuff out you say, for instance, Chuck, you put on so many events, you owe us so much money. Chuck said he has no problem with that. They use the timing trailer, they have to pay for it. Chuck would like something that he can go back to his club and say, ok for the 21 events, we will pay this because we need use of the trailer. Terry asked Chuck to make that in the form of a motion, if we review the costs what it would cost for maintenance. Chuck said he would like to make a motion that RCD give everyone a projected overall cost for use of the trailer to include contents and the trailer itself, maintenance, insurance, license, wear and tear on the tires, future replacement. Sam Sicilia seconded. Peggy said, what we put out right now, for the awards, trophies, shirts, etc. was \$4,613.32. What we brought in was \$3,250 for the sanctions. So that is difference of \$1,363.32. Terry asked what we paid for insurance and the answer was \$350 for the year. So that has to be added to the number for Competition. The question was asked if the motion on the floor is saying that if you are not using the trailer, you are not paying this fee either. Al said, yes, it is a user fee, only the clubs that use the trailer will be paying the fee. Terry said we have a motion and it was seconded, to get an overview of costs and we will bring it up at the next meeting and then at the meeting after that we will vote on it. Vote was taken, passed with Tiretown against and Fun Center abstaining. Terry said they will work on getting as close as they can to a replacement value and maintenance cost.

MVP

Terry said we have to revisit this. We have gotten no feedback. We talked about it, we have a committee set up for all of last year and governors were supposed to get back to them with any thoughts if we want to keep it, shelve it, or what and nobody has contacted them. We talked about it at the December meeting and once again, nobody has talked to them. If nobody is talking about it, why do we have it? Rich Brooks made a motion to eliminate the MVP award, Chuck Stephens seconded it. Terry asked for any more discussion on this before everyone votes. Jeff Kubiak said that if he recalls correctly, the MVP award is based on certain criteria and you don't necessarily have to go to every event to qualify. That is correct. Jeff said he knows that there are several categories of competition awards, but could we have awards for individual events, not just one overall award. Terry said Al has been talking about that, but the thing with the MVP is the way it is worded, and Terry said for Chuck to correct him if he is wrong, but usually the number one points winner because they meet all the criteria and excel at it, gets the MVP award. Only occasionally they don't. Al said not always, but more often than not, about 95% of the time. Jeff said he wished he had known about this award earlier, because he thinks he had a shot at it. Terry told him to talk to his governor. Jeff then said, in the same vein, instead of the MVP since it is about to be eliminated, if somebody different than the overall champion does well in autocrossing, could we recognize that. Terry told him to write up a proposal and send it to his governor and it will be reviewed. Ray Valentine, said tying into what Jeff is discussing, he may not have heard the word before, it was called The Champion Series. Basically, there is a motion and second to eliminate the MVP award. Any more discussion. The Champ series was dropped three or four years ago for the same reason. Ray says what Jeff is saying kinds of rolls into the Champ series, different categories for car shows, racing, rallies, etc. Terry said, basically right now we are getting past MVP, we have nobody for the last year

has contacted anyone about any thoughts on MVP. So, we have a motion and second on the floor, we are discussing it more, but nothing is getting accomplished to drop MVP for lack of interest. So, a vote was taken, motion passed with one abstention, no opposed. So, then Terry said if Jeff or Ray want to write something up, because Al was considering like you were saying going in for the top autocross, car show, write something up. This is how the procedure works, present it to your governor and he will present it to the board and they will review it. It's in the SOPs so if we get it in by the next meeting, we have a possibility of getting it passed this year.

Charity

The Jean Kutty Fund Scholarship is still on the books at National. Here again, that is why they put out the forms for charities. The interest and the money for sponsoring National in supporting a charity is dwindling, the scholarships aren't. They would like more money, so we agreed to bring this up again. Before we were locked into as to how much we had to give and there was no problem, we gave \$1,000 for St. Judes. We are revisiting it, the Jean Kutty Fund is still there, the scholarship. If everyone is agreeable, this year or whenever we want to do it, the last meeting is when we give them a check. Take it to your clubs if they want the Region to take \$1,000 and give it to National for the Jean Kutty Scholarship, because you can earmark it and it is still on the National books, or if it is not there, we can give it to them. Actually the FCOA is looking for money. Take it to your clubs and see what they want to do. Last year we gave \$1,000 to St. Judes and we are revisiting it to see if we want to donate the \$1,000 to the scholarship fund this year. The question was asked what the scholarship was for. The answer was for college. You apply, there is a form on the National website under scholarships, you click on that and it gives you all the criteria. Sue Hamilton asked if the Jean Kutty Scholarship Fund was directed to someone in the East Ohio Region or can it go to someone...Terry thought it was. The point was brought up that at one time it was for teachers, and Terry is not sure if it still is. Terry gave a brief history of the Scholarship, it was in honor of Bob Kutty's deceased wife and she was a teacher. Actually, when we dropped it, Terry talked to Bob and he didn't realistically remember why or when and he had no problem with it and we decided because at the time we were locked in to what we had to give every year, so we dropped out of it but Terry was surprised to hear that National kept it. So, take it back to your clubs and we can do that this year, no problem. Sue also pointed out that the discussion a few meetings back was changing the name from the Jean Kutty Scholarship Fund to the East Ohio Region Scholarship fund. Terry said we can discuss that as well. Take it to your clubs if we want to drop the name Jean Kutty and just have the East Ohio Region Scholarship Fund and we will look into what we have to do to change that at National. The question was asked how many individual clubs in our Region give their own scholarships. Four clubs. That is like the charity donations. That is why we vote on it, if we want to do it. National was pushing to be big charities, well, every club in every Region donates a lot of money and the well is only so deep. Why give through National to the same charity you have already given to.

Track X III

The deposit was made. We are a go. The contract was signed and we have, per Sue Hamilton, who is handling the money on this again this year, 27 people right now signed

up for Track X III, which puts it up to \$6,480 deposited. More checks are coming in and everyone is happy about. Everyone who is going so far has been sent out an email, they will be putting a little bit more criteria on Track X III. Terry said Mitch called him from National from the Track said he needed to talk to Terry. He had some safety concerns for our drivers. The first thing he said was, in a lead /follow, we are only supposed to go 99 miles per hour and Terry was thinking, this was going to ruin it because no one is going to go all that way and only go 99 miles per hour. So he (Mitch) said, you guys do such a good job, bring helmets. So everyone should bring a helmet. The Region has extra helmets and they don't inspect them at the Track. Terry said we are going to do some other criteria, but that is the biggest thing, bring a helmet. Some people didn't want to wear helmets and if we have enough they will try to set up a run group, but they will have to go 99 miles per hour or less. Terry said we will try to accommodate everyone. Rudy said he heard that we are supposed to wear long pants. This is not necessary, but you do need closed toe shoes. Rich Brooks wanted to make sure that the other governors heard that Terry told Rich that non-members were going to be allowed to ride in members' cars. Terry said you can have passengers, you don't have to be a member to be a passenger. If you are a passenger in the "hot" group, you will have to have a helmet. To drive, you have to be an NCCC member. Last year we had 67 cars sign up and we had 82 drivers. Terry's original thought process on that was ok, both drivers of a car will be in the same run group, but that didn't work out. They were splitting up. What was happening was you were having the single driver cars supplementing the two driver cars, so you had people that were getting the whole event for half price. That is why they opted to do it this way this year, the cost is per driver and the limit was bumped from 75 to 80 entrants, because they had 82 drivers last year and it was handled very well, so that is why the number was set at 80. To drive, they will have stickers again and if you are a driver, they will check you and make sure you are NCCC and you paid. If they catch you trying to sneak someone (a passenger) who didn't pay into the driver's seat, you will both be gone. Terry doesn't think we will have that, he hopes we don't have that, but they need to tell you so everyone knows going into it. Just like the safety aspect, because they are letting us go 130+ down the straightaway, and Terry was up to 130 on the back straightaway, that is against their rules, but they are letting us do it. This will also come out in the new rules, anyone who goes sideways on that track, you are done for the day. If they come in and say you did that, you are done for the day. If you go round and round and it is really egregious, you are done for the weekend, because that means you have just overdriven your abilities, not the car's, yours. Anybody that goes off the track onto the grass to the point they have to stop to get it back on is done for the day. If it is egregious, really bad, they are done for the weekend. This is lead/follow. There is no reason you can't follow their directions, because what we don't want to have, what Terry doesn't want to have and what Mike doesn't want to have and what Ted doesn't want to have is a couple of people go out there, think they are better than what they are, lose it and they come in and tell us when someone is following too tight, then we are done, we are going back to 99 miles per hour and that will be put in the rules as we get closer to the event. That is what we agreed to do and that is what Terry discussed with Mitch because that was part of his concerns with safety.

Rich Brooks asked about convertibles. Terry said convertibles are allowed. Rich asked if

top up or down. Terry said it doesn't matter. Terry said his wife said she didn't know if she wanted to wear a helmet with the top down and Terry said well. So, you can have passengers, this is their rules because this is a non-sanctioned event, we are under their rules. They accept our liability insurance in case we go off and crash the guardrail. They do have, if we want to look into, personally they have secondary insurance you can purchase through them, Terry thinks it is about \$200 to \$300, that covers everything else. So, there is a lot of reason why other guys have said they have gone down there and run and it has cost them more in insurance than what we are charging for the two day event. Ray Valentine asked, about what Rudy said regarding shoes, long pants and like that, not to rain on anyone's parade because we all enjoy going 130 miles per hour when we have the opportunity, you may also want to think about how serious that is, you are going 130 miles per hour. Where and how much experience do you have in going that fast. So, you want to take this serious and think about it when you are doing it. Not to say, don't have fun, that is what we are there for, to go 130 miles per hour, but also, use common sense. Terry said that is his reasoning if you get sideways on the track or if you run off the track, that is because you have just pushed your ability too far. If you have enough ability to go that fast, you know your car and you are lead/follow. That is the other reason for keeping the distance they recommend, you need to be qualified to keep that distance, three or four cars, they will tell you if you are following too close and they will tell you if you are not keeping up. If you are not keeping up, so you can come up behind and blast them, and Terry told Mitch if drivers come in and spotters come in and say, this guy was doing this, we will give them a warning if it is not bad. If they get two warnings, we are not going to have them ruin it for the rest of us. At the third warning they are going to be done for that day. Or at least sit out a couple of runs. Here again, we don't want a few incidents to ruin it for everybody. We can still have fun. We will be a little bit tighter on keeping like cars this year, because you are not going to keep up with Mike and Pete in their new 2019s. Just the car itself is going to corner better, even if you are in his hatch when you come around into the straightaway, when he puts his right foot down, he'll be gone. It's just not going to happen, you can't beat horsepower and torque. We will work hard to keep the cars grouped together. Dan with his '87, he had a really good time, but he couldn't keep up with the C5s. He could drive some of the corners, with his tires, but as soon as somebody got used to the corners, they were so far ahead of him in the straightaway because of the power difference, he enjoyed it because he could run flat out because he couldn't run up on anybody. Dan said it was a C6 ZR1 that he couldn't keep up with.

New Business

Terry gave everyone their patches, the ones that were on display at the NCCC display at the Museum. They took that down, they have a different display.

Governors meeting location. Numerous people, and it has been more and more each time, have been complaining about the quality of the meals at the chicken place. Not only that, but there have been comments about the sticky floor. It has gone down hill. These are legitimate complaints and Terry has been looking and looking. The Galaxy has got a separate room which we can go look after the meeting if you want. It holds 30 to 35 comfortably, it is a private room, they are willing to open up so we can have our 9:30 meetings, they will give us coffee and they even offered to serve it. Terry told them, just

to be nice to them, if they just have coffee and cups there we can get our own. If everyone wants, as far as distance...the price is the same, all we have to do is order our lunch. They sent Terry a menu, he hasn't sent it out yet, but basically for the prices, they have a \$6.00 salad and you can go all the way up to like a \$20 steak dinner. The average prices are \$8 to \$10, you can get salads, you can get burgers, and stuff. You will know after tonight, but it won't be banquet food at lunch, but they are willing to do that at no cost other than ordering our lunch and when we did a consensus on distance, Sue complained because the chicken place is right next door to her, Chuck and Peggy it might cost them an extra 20 minutes, but for everyone else it is about the same drive. The room books up fairly quick, Brenda who is the person Terry talked to, has penciled us in for the three meetings already, so unless everyone says "no way in hell, we're not going to do this", we will have our meetings there. If you want to go and see the room fine, if you don't care, when you go over for the banquet, we are in the back room, when you walk in the front door and past the wine cellar and make the right turn to go down the long hall, if you keep going down the little hallway, the room is back there. They were fine if we want to go over there after the meeting and look at it, or not, Terry will confirm it with her and we will have our next meeting there and Terry will put out the changes. The time will be the same, just a different location. Terry called for discussion or comments. The question was asked if a motion was needed and Terry said, yes probably because the governors do decide the location. Rich Brooks made a motion to move the meetings to the Galaxy and Cheryl Getzy seconded. Vote was taken. Motion passed with one no vote. No abstentions. Terry will get the information out and get it to Eric to get it on the website.

This coming year nominations for RE and Treasurer will be open next meeting. The Regional officers shall be elected annually at the Regional meeting prior to the final NCCC governors meeting of the year (the third meeting). Each club shall have one vote. Nominations from the floor will be open for each office at the Regional meeting prior to the meeting set for the election of officers, which means the next meeting is when nominations are open. They will be for RE and Treasurer for 2020/2021. Nominations will close 15 days prior to elections, so 15 days before the third meeting is when nominations close. Withdrawals will be accepted by the Secretary no less than 30 days preceding the election. The person must attend at least two Regional meetings within the last year before putting their name on the ballot for an office. For instance if your name would go on the ballot for 2005, so between 2004 and 2005 you would have to attend at least two Regional meetings. This is from the Standing Rules. The Secretary shall immediately notify each club's governor.....So, decide who you want to nominate, nominations will be open at the next meeting which will be at the Galaxy.

Terry mentioned the following which he found in the By-Laws. Term of Office, the elected officers shall assume the preliminary responsibilities of their office immediately and officially take office on January 1st. He read this and he feels that he needs clarification as to what "preliminary" means. Terry asked if anyone could help him out with this. Cheryl said maybe like an intern. Terry kind of assumed that, but he didn't realize that, because it says there....Ray says if you are nominated for a position, he would think because you are nominated you get interested or involved and know what is

going on, those people should attend two meetings before the...Terry says it is in the rules that you have to attend those two meetings prior, or your nomination is not considered. What Terry is saying is the "elected" officers, once you are elected, so if you are elected on the third meeting of the year, so that means as soon as they are elected, the elected officers shall assume the preliminary responsibilities of the office immediately and officially take office on January 1st. Ray says, so they have to keep attending. Terry says he just questioned the word "preliminary" and it is just an interesting thing to talk about. The comment was made that it sounds like they assume the duties but not officially and Terry said that is what he thought. Backing up, we had some issues with people saying....and he didn't understand it when he first took over either, with people saying "ok, it's all yours". He just wanted to throw it out there as an interesting thing that you find when you actually read all the By-Laws.

Museum Ambassador Report - Cheryl Getzy

As most everyone knows, Wendell Strode who is the Executive Director of the Museum will retire January 2020. There is no idea who his replacement will be. The board hasn't leaked out anything. Wendell has been there 23 years, he brought the Museum out of the red. The other thing is that the plant is still closed and will be closed probably until 2020. They just can't get the mid engine to work right, the trans doesn't fit, it's too big and they can't figure it out. They are now discontinuing selling tickets outside of Kentucky for the raffles. You cannot go on line and buy any raffle tickets, you must be physically in the state of Kentucky and that was Kentucky that mandated this. That is really going to affect the sales. If they sell \$200 tickets and they sell 1,000, that more than pays for the car, because they don't pay full price. That money goes into their resources and so this will really crunch them. Their bash is April 25th thru the 28th. That is where they have the engineers come down from Detroit, they have the cars on display, they have seminars and it is really very educational and you can ask them anything. There is one mechanic, Paul and you can go up to him and say, hey I have a 1985 and it is making this kind of noise. He will tell you how to fix it, he is incredible. Cheryl said the first time they met him was at Carlisle and it just was unbelievable. He does classes at the Museum and during the Bash where you can get all kinds of questions answered and have kind of "hands on". They are going to Le Mans, and they take people over, get pit passes, etc. and there is still some room for people to go. Terry asked if there were any questions for Cheryl about the Museum. Terry did mention that Wendell was supposed to be our speaker tonight, he had to cancel because of illness. He has been replaced by Derrick Warner. He is the Curator of the Museum. We have a bio on him. So the speaker is covered.

Round Table

Al Flanhofer - The Corvette Cleveland flyers are completed. He has put them on line. Rich Brooks was the first one, their flyers are on line. Mahoning has theirs on line. The only events that aren't on line yet are the three day autocross. They still need to get those put on line and get the flyers.

Cheryl Getzy - She is turning her time to talk over to Dan Gallagher, the President of Mid

Ohio. Dan stepped down from being governor last year and stepped up to President. This year their main club focus is the Christian Children's Home. Their event for that is a sanctioned event on August 10th and he is formally inviting all the members of the Region to that event. This is their 10th year of holding that event and the proceeds go to the children at the Children's Home. This is their 50th anniversary of having that home there, helping disadvantaged kids. The kids are there because of their parents, not because of their actions. It is a very good event, it's a feel good event for a lot of people in the Region and looking at the attendance over the last several years, they have been doing very well. He looked at one of the events that another club puts on and he noticed that their club didn't participate very well with that. He looked at the participation of that club coming to their event and that wasn't so good either, so he has challenged that club to come to their Christian Children's Home event and they would go to their event. He is putting the same challenge out to all the other clubs in the Region to attend their event this year and he would accept a challenge back that he could take back to his club to go to one of their events in force. Terry pointed out that they provide breakfast and lunch at no cost and all they ask is that everyone buy a lot of tickets for the baskets, and there are many baskets. They proceed from the fairgrounds to the destination. Terry spoke briefly about the route they take and the road conditions.

Sam Sicilia - He has a few things to cover. He wants to thank the people who always help them out. As Al, was saying Saturday, July 27th is their Packard Museum Show. There is a lot of interest already, their club does have several cars, from C1 up through C7 and they are displayed there all winter. They will be coming out next month. If you have the opportunity to go to the Packard Museum, please take a look at the Corvettes parked there. Secondly, he thinks this is the first time Packard is going to have a car show and they have really opened up their arms for us. He says to all the governors, he can assure you personally, that the Museum will give you the red carpet treatment. So, they would really like to see everyone at the show. The Museum is in Warren and is open every day except Monday. He can't say enough about what they are going to do.

Mark Thurin - Party hearty tonight. No report.

Barb Kukasky - Their first car show is a little delayed this year because of Easter and the National meeting. The first one will be the Progressive Car show on May 19th. Al and Ray are going to tech the cars that day. Hopefully we will have another good year.

Terry then spoke briefly about the 200 club. How it is growing and someone had made the suggestion that maybe we should "up" the points and Terry said, we did that to get more participation and now you are complaining because it works?

Carol Engel - No report

Peggy Quine - Their car show at Beef O'Bradys is the 22nd of June.

Rudy Shaffer - No report.

Chuck Stephens - The only thing he really wants to bring attention to, and he is not picking on Al, but he would like Al to be a little more aggressive on getting bids for the shirts. What he is saying, we've already lost clubs in this Region and you can see where that puts us and he can see the future of our club if we keep putting the "bite on" for more money, we will lose members. We need to be more aggressive on how we are going to raise funds for that without putting the bites on the clubs. Maybe we could go to Summit and say we can put a sticker on there for \$50, anything to bring in a little extra. Chuck doesn't know what it is like up here, but in West Virginia there were six different taxes imposed on the people of West Virginia. Jack Jarvis had a 1953 Corvette that he paid \$2800 in taxes on because of personal property taxes on old cars. He is afraid that if it happens to us, we are slowly chipping away at the whole basis of this Region. We have lost 4 clubs in the last 5 years or something like that. So, Chuck urges Al to try to get more competitive pricing on shirts, even if they are not top shelf, but if you get a shirt, how often do you actually wear it? What he is saying is why should we go top shelf on something that we really don't need. Maybe back off on top shelf and go to the next shelf.

TR Aldrich - Nothing to report. Looking forward to the competition season starting.

Rich Brooks - Nothing to report.

Warren asked if the club has Regional decals. Terry asked if he meant the ones like he put on the windshields and Warren said yes. Terry said he still has some.

Terry mentioned the East Ohio Region sew-on patches. The cost would be \$5 to \$6. If you are interested in a patch, contact Terry and he will get a solid number and they can be ordered. We used to do them and hand them out, but like Chuck said, there is only so much money in the coffers, so we will sell them. Let him know if you are interested.

50/50 will be drawn at the banquet. Warren has tickets now or at the banquet.

Motion made to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 12:20 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Ryki Woods, Secretary