

MINUTES

EAST OHIO REGIONAL MEETING

Held May 17, 2014 at Chicken Manor, North Canton, Ohio

Regional Executive – Terry Sells

Regional Membership Director – Peggy Stephens

Regional Treasurer – Dan Lyden

Regional Competition Director – Chuck Stephens

Regional Secretary – Ana Phillips

Attendees:

Buckeye Corvettes, Inc – Roger Flading, Proxy for Terry Sells

Central West Virginia Corvette Club – Bobby Ferrell - Governor

Competition Corvette Assoc, Inc - Sharon Burk, Governor

Corvette Canton, Inc – Mark Thurin, Governor

Corvette Cleveland, Inc. – Al Flanhofer, Proxy for Jim Drabik

Fun Center Corvette Club – Carol Engel, Proxy for Mickey Ouellette

Kanawha Valley Corvette Club, Inc. – Chuck Stephens, Proxy for Kenny Wells

Lake Shore Corvettes, Inc. – Ron Sommer, Governor

Mahoning Valley Corvettes – Dan Lyden, Governor

Medina Corvette Club – Rich Brooks, Governor

Mid- Ohio Corvette Club, Inc – Terry Muich, Governor

North East Ohio Vette Club – T.R. Aldrich, Governor

Tiretown Corvette Club – Alan Moore, Governor

Guests:

Don Burk

Gail Moore

Ted Vannelli

Linda Vannelli Michael Getzy

Cheryl Getzy

Doug Lawrentz

The meeting was called to order at 10:06 am by Regional Executive Terry Sells.

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

The officers were introduced as well as the governors and guests.

The next order of business was the confirmation of the minutes from the March, 2014 meeting. No corrections noted. Terry Sells requested a motion to accept the minutes as published. Sharon Burk made a motion to accept and a second was made by Terry Muich. The motion passed.

Treasurer Dan Lyden read the treasurer's report. Dan reviewed the income and expenses as of May 17, 2014. No questions were raised. Terry requested a motion to accept the minutes. Sharon Burk made a motion to accept and a second was made by Roger Flading. The motion passed. Additionally, Terry advised he filed the paperwork with the IRS in order to obtain the region's EIN. A response should be received in approximately 30 days.

Peggy Stephens, Regional Membership Director, provided the membership report. Peggy advised 5 EOR members have recently passed away. Peggy summarized East Ohio Region's membership as of May 17, 2014. Additionally, NCCC's membership status was discussed. Peggy provided handouts outlining the data to all attendees. The increase in membership is due, primarily, to new members, not late renewals. Peggy indicated membership renewals would now be considered late and subject to the late renewal fee. A "new membership" application has recently been recently to the governor's web site. Additionally, a new category of membership called "enthusiast member" has been added. An enthusiast member does not need to own a Corvette. An enthusiast member can participate in all NCCC events, but they can not earn points or vote. Governors must use the new membership forms located on the governor's screen to sign up enthusiast members. Signatures MUST be on all membership applications. Additionally, all EOR clubs, except for one, have confirmed access to their NCCC mailbox. Notifications will be sent to mailboxes so it is important that all clubs have access. St. Louis has offered to host the NCCC meeting through 2018. Voting for this proposal is now active. Governors are encouraged to go to the governor's screen on the NCCC website (NCCC.com) and vote. The design for the 2015 NCCC membership cards is still in the works, and a new supplier will be used to produce the lifetime member cards. Sylvia, the Blue Bars Editor, will be leaving the position and a new editor will be needed. Anyone interested should contact Peggy or Sylvia. Finally, 2014 is an election year for the following NCCC positions: president, vice president of membership, treasurer, parliamentarian, and director of public relations. Information on these positions is posted on the web site. Alan Moore asked if non Corvette owners who participate in speed events could sign up as enthusiast members-at-large in order to be covered under NCCC insurance. His concern is that they will no longer compete in events if they are not covered. It was determined that this would be possible if they pre registered in order to be entered into the NCCC database and obtain an NCCC number in time for the event. Terry Sells requested a motion to accept the membership report as published. Rich Brooks made a motion to accept and a second was made by Kenny Wells. The motion passed.

Chuck Stephens, Regional Competition Director, continued the topic of insurance. There has been some confusion regarding policy limits. Everyone is covered up to 5 million dollars regardless if any lawsuits are pending. Patches have been ordered. The requests for changes to the rule book are undergoing an analysis of the language. Groups and classes continue to be the focus of the changes. Once completed, the final draft will be sent to the governors to review and provide feedback. The C7 Corvettes will be considered Class "H" for all Concours events.

There has been a rulebook clarification – The question was raised, “who owns the events? Is it the region or the club?” It was decided the club owns the events. Ted Vannelli will be hosting an “Introduction to Low Speed Auto Cross” at Lakeland. There will also be an introduction to the timing trailer that morning. This event will benefit anyone interested in learning to autocross. A question was raised regarding liability insurance. Chuck clarified that you have to be a member of NCCC in order to be covered. NCCC members with minors in attendance will need to sign a waiver. The region carries the liability for damaged property; however, non-members will have to cover their own loss. Another question was asked regarding a “primary non-contributory” clause. If a venue requests this, the language needs to be carefully reviewed. These clauses can by-pass Legacy and place liability on the club and the person responsible for the damage. There is also a cost involved of \$50. Any club that encounters this should obtain a copy of the document and forward it to Ken. Dan Lyden made a motion to accept and a second was made by Sharon Burk. The motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Mark Thurin from the Hall of Fame Committee reported that nominations open in July with applications on line. Governors can access the criteria on the web site. There is concern that outstanding members are being overlooked, and the committee is looking for suggestions to bring these members to light.

Rich Brooks brought up the subject of the \$2 head tax. The concern is clarification as to what this money is funding. Essentially, the money is put into the general fund and is used to pay for activities sponsored by the region. (i.e. the donation to the race track, maintenance on the timing trailer, regional banquet, etc.) At the March meeting, Rich Brooks made a motion to eliminate the \$2 head tax which is part of the yearly membership dues. A second was made by Mickey Ouellette. The governors voted on the motion today. 3 were in favor of eliminating the head tax. The motion failed.

LUNCH BREAK until 12:45

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Ted Vannelli attended the bash at the Corvette Museum. He advised the EOR was the first region to donate money for an acre of land used for the race track. The region has a \$15,000 credit to use to host an event at the track. The suggestion is to partner with another region and host a weekend event. East Tennessee has expressed interest in hosting an event with EOR. Ted presented the region with the framed “deed” he obtained from the museum. Discussion will continue regarding the use of the track.

Terry Sells discussed the upcoming convention in Savannah, Georgia. 531 are booked for the convention. All information is on the region’s web site. The hotel across from the convention site is taking reservations for the overflow. There was committee discussion regarding reimbursement of the executive board. 2014 logos should be used with caution. Chuck Stephens has a copy of the criteria.

NEW BUSINESS

The discussion regarding a donation to the National Corvette Museum continued. Chuck Stephens advised Kanawha Valley felt that each club could contribute \$100. It was agreed that Peggy will send an email to the governors with a request that each club voluntarily donate \$100. Interested clubs will submit their checks to the region by the next EOR meeting on July 19th.

Ted Vannelli advised Rick and Theresa Wilds own a motorcycle accessory company and will be on site at the "Introduction to Low Speed Autocross" at Lakeland. They will have helmets for sale, and will also take orders in advance.

Peggy Stephens reminded the group that "prospective" members who are required to participate in a certain number of events, prior to becoming members, are not covered under insurance.

Ana Phillips advised she has 3 large totes with bank statements and miscellaneous notes from the EOR dating as far back as the 1970's. It was agreed that Ana will retain the last 10 years and destroy the rest. She will also go through the documents and save minutes or anything pertinent to the history of the EOR. She will bring these documents to the next meeting for the governors to go through. Any remaining documents will be destroyed.

Each governor (or proxy) advised of their upcoming events. Flyers for these events will be posted on the regions web site.

Terry Sells adjourned the meeting at 1:30 pm.

This document is a summary of the discussion held during the May meeting. A recorded copy of the full meeting will be kept on file.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ana Phillips

Secretary – East Ohio Region