MINUTES

EAST OHIO REGIONAL MEETING

GALAXY RESTAURANT, WADSWORTH OHIO

September 25, 2021

Regional Executive: Terry Muich

Regional Competition Director: Ray Valentine

Regional Membership Director: Cheryl Getzy

Regional Treasurer: Sue Hamilton

Regional Secretary: Karen Santagata

Governors

Buckeye Corvette Club - Barb Kukasky Me		edina Corvette Club – absent	
Competition Corvette Assoc – absent	Mi	d-Ohio Corvette Club - Dan Gallagher	
Corvette Canton – Mark Thurin	Me	ound City Corvette Club – absent	
Corvette Cleveland - Al Flanhofer	No	rth East Ohio Vette Club - TR Aldrich	
Fun Center Corvette Club - Mickey Ouellette	Ti	retown Corvette Club - Peggy Quine	
Kanawha Valley Corvette - Charles Stephens			
Lake Shore Corvettes – Bob Niznick			
Mahoning Valley Corvettes – Bob Hetrick (Pro	xv)		

Guests

Carol	Engel	Fun Center	
Michael	Getzy	Mid-Ohio	
Steve	Hamilton	Buckeye	
Genene	Patrick	Fun Center	
Peggy	Stephens	Kanawha	
Ted	Vannelli	Mid-Ohio	
Ted	Zimmerman	Corvette Canton	

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Regional Executive Terry Muich. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Chuck Stephens.

Mound City Corvette, Competition Corvette and Medina Corvette Clubs are not in attendance, but there is a quorum with 10 Clubs in attendance.

A moment of silence was observed for the following EOR member who passed away since the last meeting --

John Schanklin – Mid-Ohio Corvette Nancy White – Kanawha Corvette Club

The Board introduced themselves, followed by the Governors and guests.

<u>Secretary (Karen Santagata)</u> – Minutes of May 22, 2021 meeting were emailed to all Governors prior to meeting. No corrections were made. Chuck Stephens made a motion to accept the Minutes as emailed, motion seconded by Bob Niznick, and motion passed.

Karen read a thank you card from Michelle Cantelmo, Director of Sponsorship & Charity of NCCC for the Region's contribution to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital – which was the proceeds from the quilts sales which were presented the 2021 Convention. Thank you again to Micky Ouellette for all of her work on the quilts.

Regional Membership Director (Cheryl Getzy) — Renewal time starts October 17, 2021 at which time the system will be opened for Governors to enter membership updates. NCCC has to take time to clean up the system and update the auto-renewal members. Cheryl asked that all Governors contact her with problems, issues or questions prior to entering information and that everyone be finished entering information no later than November 14, 2021 to allow Cheryl to have time before the holidays and December 15, 2021 when the system is shut down again. The system remains down until at least mid-January. All membership cards will be out no earlier than late January 2022, early February. Cheryl described the appearance of the new cards which will include white lettering for easy reading and that everyone should pay attention to a mailing from NCCC that will include their membership cards. Everyone should ensure that their names, addresses, etc. are correct and should notify their governor to make any changes. Cheryl mentioned that if you enter the NCCC Membership number the system will populate the information automatically. Also, if there is only one email per couple then it should be entered only on the primary member. There is also no need to enter a home phone number – just enter the cell phone number(s) if applicable

The current membership for NCCC is 17,892 – 235 Clubs in 16 different regions. We have 228 new members that came from the Museum build which includes a one-year free membership to NCCC. Cheryl checks local clubs for those new members to join as they are entered as a Member-at-Large (MAL). The most popular color is Torch Red and Mist Red, together with other variations of red and the most popular style is a coupe.

EOR has 111 children in FCOA – including 7 new children and lost 15 because they reached 16. There are some who joined clubs as a MAL due to age constraints per club. Corvette Cleveland has the most FCOA members. Everyone should ensure that the FCOA database is updated with address changes. FCOA Director Shannon Davis is trying to catch up from his time away due to his personal illness. FCOA nor NCCC will ever give out addresses for any of the children in the database. Additionally, there is no Facebook page for the FCOA membership due to privacy.

<u>Treasurer (Sue Hamilton)</u> – Treasurer's quarterly report for May 1, 2021 through August 31, 2021 was emailed to all Governors prior to the meeting. Bob Niznick asked about proceeds from Convention. The Convention books are not finalized yet thus nothing has been received by the region. Sue discussed the credits and debits and no questions were raised. Chuck Stephens made a motion to accept the Minutes as emailed, motion seconded by Al Flanhofer; there was one abstention - motion passed

Regional Competition Director (Ray Valentine) – Thank you to everyone for posting and continuing to work hard and Ray continues to learn and make corrections as needed. Ray then discussed the NCCC Facebook page. He stated that some of the postings were horrible and does not like the negativity and believes it is a useless method of communicating. He does enjoy seeing items about his family and flowers. Facebook can destroy a club's, a region's or even a person's reputation. Ray stated that all the negative statements that were posted could have been stated in a more positive way. He asked that we all post positive things – no more negative thoughts.

Ray then discussed that he would appreciate if everyone would help him – if you see a mistake, help him make it right and he will in turn try to improve so no mistakes are made. Karen Santagata mentioned that if you see something negative on Facebook a reply can be made to turn that negative comment into a positive post. It could be merely a small statement – put the facts out there and don't hide from the negativity. It is better to respond at times then to ignore a situation. At the Governor's meeting, Theresa Eller said that she will be monitoring NCCC Facebook page more closely and handling any negative posts appropriately. As Terry mentioned, it is important to keep the information positive. On EOR Facebook page, Karen blocked a user who posted a political advertisement and it was immediately deleted. Chuck Stephens asked about what happened to presenting issues/problems to the Regional Executive instead of posting on Facebook.

A discussion continued about the concourse car show versus people's choice concourse show mistake that was inadvertently made by Mahoning Valley when it listed its Packard Museum car show. Bob Niznick brought up that it was listed on the flyer as a judged concourse car show. However, Ray corrected him that it was not mentioned on the flyer. On the day of the show, the type of event was changed to reflect the correct event at the direction the NCCC's Vice President of Competition. However, at the NCCC RCD meeting there was a comment made that it was a "bait and switch" which was incorrect. At the end of the day, Mahoning Valley did not receive the Club points for the event. Ray reiterated that he hopes that Mahoning Valley stays with NCCC/EOR and that everyone can put this behind them. Mahoning Valley is a great club that raised over \$10,000 to donate to their charities, including the Packard Museum.

NCCC's website was then discussed and that the dropdown options could be changed as it has been a problem with the wording between the two types of car shows for some time. Ray stated that any Governor(s) can suggest a change in the Rulebook – it is not up to him. Terry discussed that the problem is with the way events are listed in the NCCC Competition Rulebook and how a change can be submitted which would take two years from start to finish. Terry and Ray are willing to work with any Governor(s) who want to submit a change. It only takes one Governor to submit a change for it to be reviewed by the NCCC.

Mike Getzy raised the question about the protest which was not submitted on the day of the event and was ultimately denied. The individual then filed an appeal and changed the protest to include that the

database was changed after the event. However, Bill Docherty (NCCC VP of Competition) authorized Ray to change it after discussing the situation with Ray. The judging at the time of the event was done correctly which was a people's choice car show. The flyer stated that the car show was a NCCC judged event and the online database stated that it was a judged concourse car show.

Peggy Quine mentioned that she did contact Ray and Mahoning Valley's Governor and questioning the flyer. Also, Bob Hetrick raised the question if Mahoning Valley wouldn't have done what was stated by Bill Docherty what would have happened. Ray explained that then no one would have gotten any points for the event – not just eliminating the points that were to be awarded to Mahoning Valley being the host club. Terry again reviewed the rules on protests which have to be submitted within an hour on the day of the event. The appeal/protest involved the changing of the database/website after the show was over to add points which protest was correct as submitted. Governors need to pay more attention to the flyers and to involve Ray and/or Terry if there is a problem and to pursue until a resolution is reached. As a result of this unfortunate mistake, next year EOR will be going by the Rulebook, including tech'ing cars, points, etc.

Bob Niznick stated that it was a great show and that there more in attendance than just NCCC cars and he did not mention any club specifically in his posting. Bob Hetrick stated that he was disappointed that some EOR members also commented on Facebook and that also upset some members of Mahoning Valley. As Terry ended, time heals all wounds and he feels that a lesson was learned by all. Ray discussed that there could be a 2-day conference on the Competition Rulebook to discuss the contents.

Prior to the meeting, Ray passed out a copy of his article that was submitted for publication in the upcoming Blue Bars. As of September 2021, there are about 19,000 members, with the following breakdown of participating members who attend events for points -

Men's National Points above 200 = 132 men (total 1,439 participating) Ladies' National Points above 200 = 59 ladies (total 789 participating) Total above 200 – 191 combined men + ladies (total 2,228 participating) 16,772 members who are not participating who do not actively participate for points.

Then Ray discussed the national club points – (250 Clubs, 16 Regions) – with East Ohio Region being well represented and is #2 in the nation. In addition, EOR hosted the Convention and hosted the first - trial events in a very long time. The top 25 Clubs in NCCC represent 8 regions who participate in events for points which include: 7 Clubs from Midwest, 6 Clubs from East Ohio, 4 Clubs from West, 3 Clubs from Indiana, 2 Clubs from Michigan, 1 Club from Southeast, 1 Club from Florida and 1 Club from Southwest.

The redlined Competition Rulebook needs to be voted on by the Governors at the November NCCC meeting. Peggy Quine brought up that the vote is for all of the changes, not individual changes. If the voted down, then the current Competition Rulebook will stand as previously published. If an EOR Governor will not be present at that meeting, an email should be sent to Terry so that he can vote accordingly. Terry is only there to vote for the proxies of Governors who cannot make it to the November meeting. Al Flanhofer mentioned the key points that are being considered included the change from 7 events per day to 5 events per day and adding Fridays to Sanctioned Events – including 4th July being on a Thursday then events could be on Friday and also includes the Friday after

Thanksgiving. There was discussion about the breakdown of the 10 sanctions per Club -2 days of 5 events per day on a weekend would use the entire 10 sanctions. Terry mentioned that it will not be set in stone that a club must hold 5 or 7 events per day.

Ray brought up a future autocross event that has only listed about an hour and 15 minutes to the all cars between registration and the driver's meeting. Bill Docherty discussed with Ray that he was concerned about the method used and Ray will improve on his methods. Beginning next year, there will be a need to properly complete the tech'ing of all cars within a given amount of time. Due to time constraints, perhaps a 5-event day would be more appropriate or a revamp of how the events are run. Ray believes that each sanction should be an individual competition event – run 2 runs, then go to next event. It also become an issue about the cost. Ray will be in attendance at the event, but tech'ing is the responsibility of the Club hosting the event. Ray will be there to oversee any issues/problems that arise.

Mickey Oullette brought up a discrepancy in the EOR Standard Operating Procedures and the NCCC Competition Rulebook. However, Cheryl Getzy stated that NCCC rules/regulations always overrule any region rules/regulations. Terry then discussed that EOR will need to ramp up its compliance with the NCCC rules/regulations. Mickey will write up a change for the EOR SOPs to ensure that EOR follows NCCC rules/regulations.

Mike Getzy asked about the annual tech and why it was not completed that way this year. Ray explained that due to scheduling this year the first event annual tech'ing was not conducted. Mike also pointed out that the registration form there is a space indicating annual tech (yes/no). Terry stated again that next year EOR will revert back to the NCCC rules and there is a no annual tech permitted per NCCC. If there are any issues/problems/suggestions, communicate to Ray and/or Terry. This will be up to the Governors to interpret the rules and ensure compliance.

Bob Niznick discussed that at his Club's car show that others were signing the waiver on behalf of someone else. He suggested that every individual should sign the waiver. Ray mentioned that each waiver form will be signed by a witness of the host club (chairperson/worker/etc.) that they legitimately saw everyone sign that wavier. Governors will need to ensure compliance. Bob also mentioned the fact that animals should not be allowed to attend – the same as with no drones. Terry stated that any guidelines that each club wishes to implement should be on the flyer – no red shoes, no pets, no drones – as long as it does not go against NCCC rules. Bob also mentioned that if any participant needs to leave early then the participant must have approval from the host club.

Al Flanhofer also mentioned that the waivers need to be totally filled out prior to mailing to the RCD. Every sheet should have the event, date, and other information included. Al also stated about running one run per event, Section 2.2.3.3 – NCCC states that anyone who travels over 200 miles should be allowed to complete their runs in order to leave early. Terry further discussed more interpretations under the NCCC Competition Rulebook. Our timing software is set up to allow one event at a time with two runs. Any changes should be included on the flyer. Terry also stated that all waivers must be completed in their entirety and signed by all in attendance for insurance purposes as discussed by NCCC Business Manager Jim Walton at the meeting in May 2021. For next year, tech will be handled at each event, including car shows, autocrosses and rallies.

As Terry stated, we are all volunteers and we are here to have fun. Ray once again thanked everyone for

their patience, understanding and help.

<u>Finance/Budget Committee</u> – Treasurer Sue Hamilton sent the proposed 2022 budget to the Governors which should be about the same as 2021 minus the awards for competition for 2020/2021 season. One change that should be made for the Hall of Fame expense - \$250 should be increased to \$375. A vote on the 2022 budget will be taken at the December 2021 meeting. All proceeds from the 2021 Convention will go into the General Fund which should be finalized within the next couple of weeks. Each Governor should review with their Clubs prior to the December 2021 meeting.

<u>Hall of Fame Committee</u> – Nominations closed as of midnight on September 25, 2021 and Mickey is communicating with the Committee and a vote will be taken of the Governors via mail after the Committee has reviewed and approved the nominees. The voting is kept confidential and Mickey handles the voting, so she does not even know who a specific Club votes for.

<u>2021 Banquet</u> – Banquet Chairperson Barb Kukasky discussed the 2021 Banquet will be at The Galaxy on March 5, 2022. It will be hosted by EOR and all Clubs are asked to help and ideas. The hospitality room will be at the Comfort Inn next door on Friday March 4, 2022. Awards will be given for the 2019 and 2021 recipients due to no banquet being held in 2020 due to the pandemic. The Banquet Committee is Sue Hamilton, Terry Muich, TR Aldrich and Barb Kukasky. Terry will ask Mike Lally if he will be our speaker.

By-Laws - Committee – The only Bylaw change that will be to specifically set the timing of receipt of the dues needs to be submitted which changes the due date prior to the first Saturday in November to coordinate with the NCCC deadlines. Mickey also mentioned that she added the appropriate forms on the EOR website.

2021 Convention Update — Al Flanhofer gave an overall update of the *great* Convention which was attended by 396 attendees and 41-day passes were issued onsite. As this was the first big event for the Hotel, it was handled very well. Some of the tours had to be cancelled due to lack of participation, but we made about \$2,400 with exceptional attendance at some of the tours, including Put-In-Bay and the dinner cruise on the Goodtime III. The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame, the Christmas Story House and of course the wine tours were well attended. The valve cover race was well attended and was handled by Mike Godfrey in exchange for free convention registration. The bands at the social hours were very well received and people were staying under the end of the night. The picture taking event outside the front of hotel, together with the decorations to the banquet halls were well received. One small glitch was the day of drag racing, but in all fairness, EOR is not experienced in drag racing. At future conventions, it has been discussed that someone with experience be bartered to run the drag racing in exchange for perhaps convention registration. There are still a few expenses that are outstanding. There was discussion about the lowered registration fees (\$185 v. \$245). Profits will be divided equally between NCCC and EOR.

Dan Gallagher thanked all of the chair people of the events for all of their hard work. Special thanks to Al for encouraging Dan to figure out a budget which was originally based on 600-800 people attend and to break even. Dan discussed the fact that EOR was able to attain some wonderful local sponsors and thank you cards were sent to them. Bob Niznick asked about the local sponsors and how others could support them as not everyone attended Convention. Ray mentioned that he included a thank you

in the Blue Bars and to refer to the Convention booklet. Al does have a couple extra booklets left and mentioned that everyone who attended received a tape measure with a level built in and all the sponsors are listed on the side. And everyone got a patch and a pin in their goodie bags. Dan gave a special thank you to Dennis and Genene Patrick – Genene did a fantastic job on the shirts, including the jean shirts. A plaque will be made and presented to Betty Parks as she worked extremely hard as Treasurer to make the Convention such a success. Dan thanked Al for coming up with the hair-brained idea of putting on a Convention. We all came together as a group and we should continue to proud of the work done to make the Convention a great success.

Al then mentioned that there were three people who were issued refunds after the June 1 deadline as decided by the Convention Steering Committee. Al discussed about the 2022 Convention and some of the events that are currently planned.

Bob Niznick asked if there was a recap of who attended by region. Corvette Cleveland did win the participation award with 57 members. Bob mentioned the display by Tom Gasper was really nice and that the EOR did a phenomenal job. As Terry mentioned, no Convention is perfect, and we learn by mistakes. Terry and Ray discussed the antiquated guidelines in the Competition Rulebook relating to drag racing and also the tear downs. Genene Patrick does have a couple shirts left for sale.

Here's to FUN in 21'!!!!

Regional Executive (Terry Muich) – RE Terry Muich discussed the changes in the NCCC Bylaws and asked if there were any questions. The NCCC Bylaws will be sent out and they will be posted online, and Governors will vote online. Until the Bylaws get voted in the Standing Rules will stay as is. NCCC increased the amount of sponsorship for scholarships to \$1,500 donated by NCCC, in addition to the amount of the established amount as of 2022. There were 14 applications received - 7 were actually completed and all 7 approved and 5 of them went to EOR students. Terry mentioned that there was a discussion that 5 out of the 7 went to EOR participants but as he pointed out they were the ones who submitted a complete application. Terry mentioned that perhaps with the profits from Convention maybe EOR should sponsor 5 sponsorships. Al Flanhofer brought up the Jean Kuty Scholarship and that perhaps we could re-instate it instead of donating to the NCCC scholarships. As a non-profit, we have to beware of those implications. Governors should discuss with their Clubs and be prepared to discuss at the December 2021 meeting. Ray also discussed that individual Governors can bring to the attention of NCCC what their Club has donated to the various charities. There is a form that NCCC has established for all Clubs to submit at the end of each year. Bob Hetrick mentioned that Mahoning Valley donates to smaller charities throughout the year and asked what EOR and/or NCCC does. NCCC's charity is St. Jude's Children's Hospital which is where the money received from the sale of the quilts. EOR does not contribute to any charities as a whole because each Club donates to who the Club selects.

Legacy is the insurance broker for the next year, but NCCC is going to contact other brokers to ensure that NCCC is receiving the best price.

There was a discussion at NCCC meeting that if NCCC declines and is faced with dissolution, there is no set limit to trigger the dissolutions. There was also discussion about changing the point system which would take two years to change and it was proposed to split out the points for car shows and then one for speed events. Barb Kukasky mentioned that years ago it used to be that way at both region level

and national level.

Keep in mind that once the Bylaw changes are posted online, Terry as RE cannot see them – only the Governors can see. A recommended change is to allow the RE's to view them to ensure that what is posted is correct as discussed.

Terry also reminded any Governor who is not attending the December 2021 NCCC meeting to email him his/her votes for the changes to the Competition Rulebook.

Bob Hetrick asked for an explanation of what the profits of NCCC are used for in relation to the members. Terry explained that the cost of insurance and the cost of Blue Bars come out of those profits. Sue Hamilton mentioned that each region receives a rebate for every person who achieves over 200 points each year. This money goes towards the awards that are given to the individuals by the regions. All of the NCCC reports, including the profit and budget, are posted on Members Only website.

Terry again thanked Mickey Oullette for her hard work on the quilt raffle.

<u>Region Elections</u> – The positions of Regional Executive and Treasurer are up for election for the two-year term covering 2022-2023. Nominations closed on September 10, 2021, which was 15 days before the third meeting (September 25, 2021). Terry Muich was the only nomination for Regional Executive, and he was unanimously voted in as Regional Executive. Sue Hamilton was the only nomination for Treasurer, and she was unanimously voted in as Treasurer.

<u>Chili Cookoff</u> - October 23, 2021 – Ray mentioned that perhaps we could have hot dogs in addition to the chili. In the budget, there is allotted \$500 for the event, of which \$375 is for room. It was decided that Ray will bring the hot dogs and Sue will bring the buns.

Terry mentioned that EOR received about \$1,700 from the sale of the Convention shirts. Genene mentioned that because everyone worked hard sales were over 500 shirts.

Track X IV – Dan Gallagher discussed Track X IV that is scheduled for September 29 (Wednesday) and September 30 (Thursday), 2021 at the National Corvette Museum track. Dan discussed that the event has been entered into the NCCC database so as to reach a broader area. Registration is done online with information for that is on the flyer. The cost is \$200 per day per driver, or \$300 for both days per driver. The hotel has released the rooms per the contract but if Terry lets them know of any late registrations, they will honor the rate. The hotel is back to full breakfasts and the area in the front will be open for gathering afterwards. Dan discussed the registration online at motorsportsreg.com and with that credit cards are accepted. A mass email was sent to all attendees that there will be a caravan on Tuesday with the location to meet at. Currently there were 41 people registered for Wednesday and 36 people registered for Thursday – there is still space available. There is a shortage of registrations to cover the event, but hopeful that there will be additional registration. There is a possibility of sponsorship for the event. The funds include any carry over from prior events. There will be a meeting on Tuesday evening at the hotel for attendees. Dan discussed the details as to how the event will run.

Terry asked if any Club has anyone who would be interested in becoming EOR's website. We need to

get someone who can post and update the website on a timely manner. Buckeye is starting to update their website as are other clubs.

The next meeting will be the bid-meeting for sanctions is December 4, 2021 at 9:30 p.m. The vote for the 5 or 7 events will be at the NCCC November 2021 meeting which will go to effect January 1, 2022. Each Governor should be prepared on that day based on both the 5 events with a possible adjustment to 7 events. Sue asked for clarification if all dues have to be paid prior to bidding which was confirmed.

Roundtable -

Mahoning Valley - Bob Hetrick from Mahoning Valley thanked Ray and Terry for all the help they gave them this year and also thanked Barb. As a first-year president, Bob was interested in getting his Club back up and running more than he was interested (or had time) to read all of the rules of NCCC. Bob is very appreciative of all of the good people who attend the events and he has made a lot of new friends. Bob also stated that there are more important things in life than to read hundreds of pages of rules on how to make a flyer. We are here for our members who are like family to everyone all while having a good time. He appreciates those who came to their shows and helped them raise the funds for their charities. He hopes that we will continue to support each other. Thank you!! Bob asked for any assistance on how to grow interest in individuals stepping up to take officers positions.

<u>Corvette Canton (Mark Thurin)</u> – Looking forward to next.

<u>Mid-Ohio (Dan Gallagher)</u> - Thank you to everyone for Convention and the support for the Children's Home.

<u>Buckeye Corvette (Barb Kukasky</u>) – This was a great meeting proving that we all get along. We are here to work together. Terry thanked Barb for the "extra" work she does.

<u>Kanawha Corvette (Chuck Stephens)</u> – Chuck asked when Ray would like the club's preferred dates before the meeting. Ray said at any time the information is appreciated. Save Memorial Day weekend for a 3-day event. Chuck mentioned that their Club supports the area firefighter's dinner with members attending and also by donations. He also mentioned that 22 cars attended the funeral for their member Nancy White and they led the funeral procession – which was never done before. The club also donates to Gold Star mothers. Their website is up and running and Kanawha is a member of the Corvette Museum even with an ambassador. Chuck suggested that perhaps it is time to consider giving the Clubs a break on the sanction events with is now \$25 and perhaps reducing it in the future.

<u>Fun Center Corvette (Mickey Oullette)</u> – Mickey would like the Governor's list to be updated so she can mail the Hall of Fame ballots. (Sue mentioned that the NCCC email Governor's list is not current and needs to be revised. Terry will follow up on NCCC and EOR website updates.)

<u>Tiretown Corvettes (Peggy Quine)</u> – Events are over. Happy Thanksgiving.

<u>Lake Shore Corvettes (Bob Niznick)</u> -- Vetmillion was a washout in the morning but ended up being a good day. Thank you for coming to the Troops Show. As a goal for 2022 season he is going to try to get

more Lake Shore members to attend events. Happy Thanksgiving.

Corvette Cleveland (Al Flanhofer) -- The last sanctioned event of the season is an autocross the next day. Corvette Cleveland presented Guidestone a check from Corsa. Corvette Cleveland's website just received a plaque for the Best Corvette Website in the country by the National Corvette Museum and he is going to talk with our webmaster to see if he would like to help EOR. Bob Hetrick mentioned that he appreciated that a lot of Corvette Cleveland's members attended another member's memorial instead of attending a sanctioned event for points – it's all about family and the right priority. There were over a hundred members at that memorial – just as was at Wayne D.'s memorial per Terry. We come for the cars but stay for the people.

NEOVC (TR Aldrich) – Looking forward to next year!!

New Business -- The date of the Chili cook off is October 23.

Al also brought up the timing trailer and the budget involved. There were some limited expenses this year. Is the timing trailer something that we want to maintain it, or do we want to hire someone to handle the timing at the events? The cost is approximately \$200 per event, plus \$15 per person. The expenses for using the trailer are about \$100 per event, including gas, timing sheets, labels, etc. Any club can contact Kevin G. from Kentucky for timing. We still need to maintain the trailer for the cones and timing board, posting sheets, tables. (For the record – computers are with Karen Santagata.) Chuck Stephens mentioned that they are thinking about using transponders at their event next year. It would free up some of the workers. The trailer was originally purchased to hold the equipment otherwise someone would have to house the equipment at their home/garage. The insurance on the trailer is when it's being towed is on the tow vehicle. Anything happens it's on the tow vehicle – liability only/physical damage. When the trailer is on the track being used for timing, it is on the insurance with Legacy. If it gets to the point that the trailer is not needed, then it will be disposed of. It is up to the members of the Clubs to decide what to do. Sue brought up if the cost of buying transponders would be worth it – but there is more cost to each transponder to keep it upgraded, plus the software. Not worth it!

Terry awarded a gift certificate from Eckler's to Bob Niznick.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Santagata Secretary