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MINUTES OF REGIONAL MEETING
December 2, 2006

The Regional meeting was called to order by RE Chuck Heretta at 9:50 am at Esber's in Canton OH. The following clubs and officers were represented:

Bob Kutty, Mahoning Valley, Gov
Terry Sells, TTCC, Gov elect
Ken Jecman, NEOVC, Gov
Stan Wolfe, Central WV, Gov
Dan Lundblad, Blennerhassett, Gov
Bob Kirsch, Webmaster
Elaine Heretta, Corvette Cleveland, Gov
Mark Thurin, Corvette Canton, Gov
Alan Moore, TTCC, outgoing RCD
Ric Keller, Lake Shore, Gov
Rich Brooks, Medina CC, Gov
Katy Brooks, Medina CC, Gov elect
Aurel Oullette, Fun Center CC, Gov
Gary Perkins, Mound City CC, Gov
William Wood, Kanawha Valley CC, Gov
Deb Murphy, TTCC, Gov
Bretton Rebol, Competition Corvette, Proxy
Bob Thomson, Corvette Cleveland

Introductions were done around the room.

HALL OF FAME, Bob Kutty, only 2 nominations so far. If less than 5, just induct the 2 nominees.

WEB MASTER, Bob Kirsch, asked for any input from the governors for flyers or events. Will put applicable items on the web page for any club. Discussion of calendar that was made for a fund raiser for FCOA. A sample was passed around.

Bob Thompson and Bob Kirsch both turned in checks for \$30. They are for the rebates for the new laptop computers the region bought.

TIMING, Bob Thomson thanked Peggy Stephens and Lori Arthur for stepping up to help with timing for the season. He is not interested in doing timing for 2007. He is reaching out to the clubs for help for timing for 2007. He also mentioned that the host clubs must help with setup and tear down of the timing equipment when hosting an event. Karen Stamm knows a KSU student who may be interested in learning the timing system. It

was mentioned about the possibility of this being an internship for him.

2007 DATES:

Feb 23, 24- Nat mtg, St Louis
March 3- Reg mtg 9:30 am, Regional Banquet 5:00, Mansfield Holiday Inn
May 5,6- Nat mtg, St Louis
June 16-24-National Convention, Nashville
July 21-Reg mtg, Esbers
Sept 8,9-Nat mtg, St Louis
Oct 20, Reg mtg, Esbers
Nov 10,11-Nat mtg, St Louis
Dec 1, Reg Mtg, Esbers, bidding for 2008

MINUTES from Oct 21, 2006- Bob Kutty made a motion to accept the minutes as printed. Terry Sells seconded the motion.

TREASURERS REPORT- Dec, Aurel Ouellette brought up the possibility of an audit. This probably will not happen because Mickey Oullette will remain on the finance committee. Huntington Bank will be the new regional bank. The account will be a one signature account with Chuck Heretta and Karen Stamm both having access to the account. Peggy Stephens will be able to deposit into the account.

Chuck Heretta has taken a small amount of funds for wine- making supplies for the contest being held at Convention to create the East Ohio Region's recipe. Motion made by Bob Kutty to accept the Treasurer's report, Rich Brooks seconded.

CHARITIES/GRANTS-a 2007 Monterey Red corvette will be the convention raffle car. Scholarships were given out. Applications for scholarships are on the website. \$750 was donated to the Jean Kutty Scholarship Fund.

HALL of FAME- Gail Moore will sell 50/50 raffle tickets at lunch. They will be \$1 per. Chuck has a gift certificate from Mid America to be raffled at the meeting. He also has another Mid America gift certificate that will be used as a door prize at the regional banquet. Once again, if you have nominations for the Hall of Fame, give them to Bill Quine or Bob Kutty.

REGIONAL COMPETITION-Alan Moore, Chuck Stephens. In packets are the clubs, mens and ladies standings. They are semi-official. Tim Obert emailed spread sheets to all the governors. Alan asked the governors to show the spread sheets to their club members for any discrepancies. The spread sheets show where the points came from for all competitors. If anyone feels the points are not accurate, get with Tim. Please do not use this for just a few points. Use this for any missing points from events.

Mens first place is Phil Dobransky with 508, Chuck Heretta-507, Terry Sells-433, Dennis Arthur- 380, Mark Wehagen-364.

Ladies first place is Elaine Heretta with 554, Bev Sells- 445, Marie Wlodarczyk-400, Karen Stamm-364, Peggy Stephens-336.

Clarifications from the national meeting included when a wrecker and ambulance were needed. If a track is pyloned, a wrecker and ambulance are not needed. The speed cannot get over 80 mph.

Chance rallies must consist of more than driving to a location and back. Some of the western clubs were doing this and not using a route with questions, etc like we use in this region.

The new rule book will include a chart that will show what modifications would put a car in what class.

Elaine Heretta asked for more clarification on what constituted a wrecker. Alan said that it was any vehicle that could safely remove a vehicle from a track.

Ken Jecman asked for a brief discussion on the direction of the Champ Series for 2007. Bill Wood said that the committee had a meeting at the last regional banquet. Things are still tabled. Alan said that it has not affected the competition for 2006. More people have gotten the Team 200 award this year than in the past. Ken Rutherford explained that the Champ Series started as 15 events only on Sundays that were designed for people who worked on Saturdays so they could compete in a variety of events for the season.

Chuck asked that everyone make sure they signed the address sheet that was going around .

Bill Quine asked how the region gets compensated for regional events. Chuck said that all expenses are taken out of the proceeds and then the number of events is divided into the balance. Chuck Stephens will get something in writing for the clubs to use as a general guideline. Alan said that by the clubs picking up a regional event and then splitting the proceeds with the region is part of the reason why the region is in the black. It keeps us from having to raise the dues and sanction fees.

MEMBERSHIP-Aurel Ouellette, Peggy Stephens. Aurel handed out membership reports for EO region, NCCC, and FCOA. EO membership is at 16 clubs, 890 members, 59 members short of this time last year, 70 members less than projected. Six clubs in the region have 60 or more members, with Buckeye having the largest membership at 154. On Oct 14, a new club met in Wooster at Red Ferris Chevrolet. They will be using the name Mid Ohio Corvette Club. About 25 members were present with several other EO members there for support. Ken Rutherford has volunteered as Governor.

On Nov 10, there was a membership committee meeting in St Louis. NCCC has 18,648 members in 285 clubs.

Everyone should have received their convention issue of Blue Bars. Dec 1 was deadline for the winter edition. The winter edition is scheduled to come out in Jan. Effective Jan 1, all NCCC minutes will come via email. If the governor does not have email, you will need to submit another member's email in order to receive the minutes. Renewals were due Nov 27. Governors should review members' addresses for accuracy. If members addresses are not current, they will not receive membership packets.

There has been discussion about FCOA members vs dependent members. An FCOA member cannot become a dependent member at age 16 unless signed up by a primary or spouse member. This is in the bylaws. Only a parent or a single member can make an FCOA member a dependent member or companion member.

Tim Obert asked at the last meeting if there was any data available as to how many FCOA members become NCCC members. Aurel said there has never been a study done. National does not do any tracking of FCOA members that become NCCC members. If National wanted to know, they would find out. Elaine said there's a problem with when the FCOA members receive their membership packets. The packets come out in Nov, with calendar from the current year. Can they come out in a more timely manner? Chuck said that they get what's left to send out to FCOA, and they wait to send out the packets until they see what all they are going to have. FCOA is not funded by NCCC, she has to wait for donations. They depend on fundraisers. Bob Kutty asked if FCOA shows a financial report. Chuck said that at the end of the year, \$10,000 showed up in the budget with no explanation. Chuck will get more information at the Feb. meeting as to their accountability and where FCOA's budget is.

National FCOA membership is 2478, EOR has 160. Aurel also reported on a case where parents are planning on suing grandparents for signing up their child as an FCOA member with out permission. There are issues with the FCOA program that aren't clear. FCOA has a coloring book available for \$11, \$13 if shipped, that is for a fund raiser. They can be picked up at the national meetings or ordered on the website. The book is very nice.

Aurel thanked everyone for everything over the last 7 years.

Bob Kutty asked if Mid Ohio Corvettes is going to be voted in. Ken said they would be going over bylaws at the next meeting. They will be using the old Cardinal number EO-013.

REGIONAL EXECUTIVE-Chuck Heretta. National is trying to make sure that the regions are linked into the NCCC website so they are getting the correct forms and information so that they in turn get out correct information. All forms etc, will be exact by being linked in. Chuck was under the misconception that all results had to be done in Excel. This is only a recommendation so the membership VP can track his points easier. Alan said the new rule book will probably require using Excel. We can't require it until the rule book does. There is a website you can go to download Excel for free-
www.openoffice.org.

Alan

said the reason it's better to use Excel is because you can email him results, and he can cut and paste the results directly into his spread sheet. If it comes in another form, then the results must be manually entered onto the spread sheet.

Charities- the corvette raffle raised \$79,000 for the National Kidney Foundation. Scholarship applications are due by May 1, 2007 to John Osborne. Deb Lindsey has over \$58,000 in sponsorship for the 2007 convention 2006 convention lost \$18,000 due in part to low attendance.

2007 convention is in Nashville at the Nashville Marriot Airport. We are booking our own rooms at \$109/ night. Use code NCCC2007. Bob Kutty asked why we were booking the rooms ourselves. Chuck was not sure.

Corvette Cleveland is looking into having an anniversary celebration in conjunction with Dragway 42. There may or may not be issues. 2008 Convention in OK needs a treasurer. Jim Harris is heading the steering committee.

K and K insurance premiums for 2007 will be the same as 2006. There were 2 claims in 2006.

The parliamentarian needs any standing rule or by-law changes 2 weeks before the National meeting in Feb.

OLD BUSINESS- the Excel program can be downloaded for free-www.openoffice.org. Mickey gave report for the banquet. It will be March 3 at the Mansfield Holiday Inn. Registration forms are on the EOR website.

NEW BUSINESS- the regional meetings will continue to be held at Esbers. There is no additional information on the Teen Driving School yet. We need a bid for the 2008 Regional Banquet. Kay Alexander (TTCC) was deployed to Germany in Nov. She will be there approximately 1 year. Chuck asked the region to get ideas for a care package to send to her. Bring these ideas to the next meeting in March. Some ideas are newspaper or magazine subscriptions, a video of the regional banquet, phone cards and any mementos from the area.

Tim Obert has pylons for sale for \$3 each. He has raffle tickets still available for the Mid Ohio drivers' school at \$10 each. Proceeds will go to the Berea Children's Home. The drawing will be Dec. 9.

From the Charity Committee- Chuck has a certificate for a set of Good Year tires to be raffled off. It is good for any tire but race tires. They will be awarded at the banquet. He will start the raffle as a silent auction with minimum bid starting at \$1200. If he has no bids by 2/10, it will go to raffle tickets. Contact him with your bid and include your address. Bob Kirsch will put the information on the EOR website.

Remember that Ecklers offers rebates to NCCC members.

Chuck needs each club's proxy for voting purposes.

Alan thanked Tim Obert for being points keeper for 2006.

All clubs wished the region Happy Holidays.

Mark Thurin thanked the region for the scholarship his son received.

Chuck presented Michelle from Esbers a token of thanks for all she has done for us this past year.

50/50 raffle- Ken Rutherford won the Mid America certificate

Bob Kutty won \$53.50, which he donated back to the region.

Meeting adjourned at 2:10 pm.

Respectively submitted

Karen Stamm
Secretary/Treasurer