

# MINUTES

## EAST OHIO REGIONAL MEETING

OCTOBER 15, 2011

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**NEXT MEETING @ ESBER'S RESTAURANT  
CANTON, OHIO  
DECEMBER 3, 2011 @ 9:30 AM  
BIDDING MEETING**

### SCHEDULE OF 2011 MEETINGS:

#### REGIONAL:

To be announced

#### NATIONAL:

February 24 – 25, 2012 in Saint Louis, MO

May 4 – 5, 2012 in Saint Louis, MO

June 2012 – Convention in Topeka, KS

September 7-8, 2012 in Saint Louis, MO

November 9 – 10, 2012 in Saint Louis, MO

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**PRESENT:**

REGIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Chuck Heretta, Regional Executive, Buckeye Corvette Club, Inc., Governor  
Chuck Stephens, Regional Competition Director, Kanawha Valley Corvette Proxy  
Peggy Stephens, Regional Membership Director, Kanawha Valley Corvette  
Sue Hamilton, Secretary/Treasurer, Buckeye Corvettes, Inc.

- EO-005 CORVETTE CLEVELAND, INC.  
Warren Obert, Governor
- EO-010 BUCKEYE CORVETTES, INC.  
Al Etzel, Hall of Fame, Proxy  
Carol Etzel, Guest  
Elaine Heretta, Guest  
Bob Thomsen, Guest
- EO-013 MID-OHIO CORVETTE CLUB, INC.  
Terry Muich, Governor  
Ken Rutherford, Guest  
Pat Rutherford, Guest
- EO-033 BLENNERHASSETT CORVETTE ASSOCIATION  
Dan Lundblad, Governor  
Jane Lundblad, Guest
- EO-052 MAHONING VALLEY CORVETTES  
Dan Lyden, Governor  
David Farcas, Guest  
Dave Millich, Guest
- EO-057 MOUND CITY CORVETTE CLUB
- EO-068 TIRETOWN CORVETTE CLUB  
Alan Moore, Governor
- EO-083 LAKESHORE CORVETTE CLUB  
Ric Keller, Governor
- EO-096 NORTH EAST OHIO CORVETTE CLUB  
Ken Jecmen, Governor
- EO-104 FUN CENTER CORVETTE CLUB, INC.  
Aurel Ouellette, Governor  
Mickey Ouellette, Guest
- EO-116 MEDINA CORVETTE CLUB  
Patrick Adams, Governor
- EO-147 CENTRAL WV CORVETTE CLUB
- EO-148 CORVETTE CLUB OF WEST VIRGINIA
- EO-223 KANAWHA VALLEY CORVETTE CLUB, INC.

- EO-257    COMPETITION CORVETTE ASSOCIATION, INC.  
            Don Burk, Governor  
            Sharon Burk, Guest  
            Cheryl Getzy, Guest  
            Mike Getzy, Guest
- EO-258    CORVETTE CANTON, INC.  
            Mark Thurin, Governor
- EO-571    CROOKED RIVER CORVETTE CLUB  
            Tim Obert, Governor

**REGIONAL EXECUTIVE:**

The meeting was called to order by Chuck Heretta at 10:00 AM. Chuck announced the recent deaths – Geoffrey Gott, Tiretown; Gloria Kamerer, Buckeye; Sandy Little, Fun Center; Bill Stafford, Tiretown.

The Governors were introduced. It was determined that a quorum was present, so business could be conducted.

**SECRETARY:**

Mark Thurin motioned to suspend the reading of the minutes and Aurel Ouellette seconded. Mickey Ouellette asked for a correction on the list of persons present. Mickey should be listed as a guest not a governor. All were in favor that the July 2011 minutes be accepted as they were e-mailed with the correction.

**TREASURER:**

Sue Hamilton read the Treasurers report that was distributed to all Governors. There were no questions. Terry Muich motioned and Tim Obert seconded that the Treasurers Report be accepted as printed. All were in favor.

**HALL OF FAME:**

Al Etzel stated it is time to consider eligible nominees. Nominations will close in December. Ballots will be sent out in January. Nominees must have been a member of the East Ohio Region for fifteen years and must receive 75% of the votes cast.

**CHARITY:**

Elaine Heretta said that the 2011 Raffle Car will be pictured on the 2012 NCCC Membership Card. The car was won by an NCCC member from Royal Corvettes of Michigan, Rick Reinburg. The 2012 raffle car will, most likely, again be a Grand Sport, although it will not be black or white. Elaine has suggested Carlisle Blue. The National Kidney Foundation has cancelled the Transplant Games for this year as the last two lost money. NCCC will still support them as our charity and our money will go to promote organ donation awareness. The Charity Committee has granted \$500 to a Mid-West Regional member whose home and farm have suffered flooding in Crescent, Iowa.

**MEMBERSHIP:**

Peggy reported the East Ohio Region has seventeen clubs as of October 15, 2011. NCCC and the East Ohio Region have lost two members - Sandra K. Little from Fun Center Corvette Club and Geoffrey H. Gott from Tiretown Corvette Club.

Our region has 945 members; up from the end of 2010 when we had 907 members. NCCC membership as of September 6, 2011 was 17,287; up from September 7, 2010 when we had 17,186 members. At that time, we also had 266 NCCC clubs, which is a loss of 5 clubs. NCCC has 288 lifetime members and 417 members at large. Buckeye Corvettes is the largest club in the East Ohio Region with 188 members. Central West Virginia Corvette Club is in second place with 109 members and Corvette Cleveland in third place with 92 members.

FCOA Membership on September 3, 2011 has a total of 2,869 members. The Midwest Region remains in 1st place with 532 members.

East Ohio Region remains in 6th place with 168 members. Corvette Cleveland remains at the top with a total of 44 FCOA members. Pat Kelly said she hopes the governors of each club are encouraging the club members who sponsored the FCOA children that have turned 16 to sign-up as a youth member in NCCC...children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews can be signed up as a youth member in NCCC. The youth members can help in several ways at sanctioned events. They can work in concession stands, chase pylons and even compete. There are several things these children can do that we are getting to old and don't have the energy to do. Pat also said she is starting to get caught up and should be in good shape by the November meeting. The article Pat was going to have in the fall issue of Blue Bars concerning former FCOA members who are now active in an NCCC club, will now be in the winter issue. She wasn't able to meet the deadline date for the fall issue. Badger State Vettes gave a donation of \$500 to Pat for FCOA. Pat stated the money donated to FCOA goes to purchase things to go into the children's membership packets. Pat has found a light weight frisbee with a line drawing of 6 generations of corvettes celebrating the 20th anniversary of FCOA that will go into the packets this year.

Peggy is still receiving the some old NCCC membership applications. Please use the ones with the date of May 2010 in the upper right hand corner. The new applications should also read "annual dues for membership in NCCC for the year 20\_\_ are \$35. \$10 of this amount is for a one-year subscription to blue bars". If the applications you have don't have this statement, then they need to be discarded. I have new applications with me today. Please take some if you need them.

Peggy sent an email to each of you letting you know the membership database would be closed down to you on October 8th. This closure was needed so the RMD's could get all checks and applications cleared in the database to get it ready for the start of renewals on October 15th. Once renewals start, you have until November 15<sup>th</sup> to get your club renewal checks to me. The renewal checks are to be made payable to NCCC. You can also send your East Ohio membership dues at the same time. This check needs to be made payable to East Ohio Region. If you don't send in your E.O.R. membership dues with your club's NCCC renewal checks, then you "must" pay them before the bid meeting starts on December 3rd. The East Ohio Region membership dues are \$2 for each NCCC member in your club, and the database will give you the exact dollar amount for each of your club checks....one for "NCCC" and one for "East Ohio Region". If you have any problems or questions, contact Peggy either by e-mail or phone at (740-378-6398).

The vision committee is focusing on four things they feel are most important. Getting the message of NCCC to the members/prospective members, the composition of the executive board, what is really happening with membership?, and, taking a look at the history of where we've spent our money. This committee meets with the RE's, the RMDs and they also talk to the governors at each meeting in St. Louis. Hopefully they will come up with some ideas to improve NCCC so we can pull in more members.

You should have received the summer/convention issue of the Blue Bars by now. Sylvia received 26 DVDs and 10,000 photos from the convention photographer, but Sylvia said members sent the majority of the ones she used in Blue Bars to her. Your fall issue should be out mid November. So any members who are entered into the database after the October 8th date will not receive the fall issue. Also, the Blue Bars staff has grown. Patsy Shearer and Pat Clark are now helping Sylvia. They will be going through the newsletters sent in. Pat will do the hard copies and Patsy will do the electronic ones. Pat Clark will be opening a P. O. Box specifically for Blue Bars correspondence and Patsy's email address is: wshearer001@cfl.rr.com. Pat is a writer, so they have been brainstorming some new ideas for next year.

2012 collector pins: if you or someone in your club would like to order 2012 collector pin, you can send in your order the same as you did last year. The order form should be on the NCCC website: [corvettesNCCC.org](http://corvettesNCCC.org). If you want me to pick them up again for you in St. Louis, please put my name on the form. I have no problem with picking them up for you.

The NCCC - Duntov Performance Award requirements and entry form have been updated. You can find them on the NCCC website.

#### **COMPETITION:**

Chuck Stephens said the minutes from St. Louis are available on line. 1365 sanctions have been recorded this year. 2320 men, 1313 ladies, and 219 clubs have earned points thus far by entering events. Your driver's license number is no longer required on a registration form. Chuck explained a clarification: the rulebook states that in a People's Choice Car Show, judging is done by entrants and spectators. There seems to be many shows that are advertised as Participant's Choice where only the entrants vote. The rulebook does not address the Participant Choice car shows. A question was asked: Am I correct in assuming that they both would be judged as People's Choice if a spectator asked for a ballot, the chairman of the event would be required to supply ballots to anyone who requests a ballot other than those who have already received a ballot? Chuck responded: yes, the current rulebook stipulates both entrants and spectators are to vote at People's Choice Car Shows. Pat Adams asked: if there is a Participant's Choice, if you word it that way, then you don't have to worry about it? Chuck responded: no, the rulebook states that if I come to your car show as a spectator and I say, "Pat, I like that car over there, I need a ballot." You've got to give me one. Pat: in other words, you just can't say, Participant's Choice. Chuck: you can say it, but if you stipulate "participant" you are still saying entrants and spectators. Alan Moore: the rulebook says, People's Choice so anyone that is there, participants or otherwise can vote.

There have been several insurance related mishaps i.e. slips and falls. Chuck advised to please be careful as it may have an impact on our insurance. Bidding is in December. You will be bidding for your sanctioned events. On that day, have a date in mind as to what you would like to do. You can bid your events and go with a later date if you so choose. There is a drop dead date of December 1st. He would like for your club, if you are working with an entity that you are locked into a date, to let him know so that he can send it out to the other clubs so that they can work around and accommodate it. Don't use December 1st as a date that you want on your

own because it has to go through the bidding process in the order in which the clubs have finished in the Region. Sanction fees must be received by January 15th. The final EOR standings have been posted. If there are no questions about the standings, they will become permanent. Geoff Gott was 6<sup>th</sup> in the NCCC standings; Buckeye was 4th; Corvette Cleveland was 13th. Chuck listed the top 10 finishers in the region; men's and ladies'. If you would like to see further, they are available today. Club finish was listed with Buckeye first and Corvette Cleveland second. Chuck asked if there were any questions. Chuck Heretta asked if Chuck Stephens would move the drop dead date back a little since the Regional Meeting is on the 3rd and if the Governors let him know on the 1st they don't have enough time to go back to their clubs if something needs to be changed. It was decided to move the "Must Know" date to November 15. This is for Sanctioned events only. Terry Muich inquired when Chuck would like to know the non-sanctioned event dates as the Children's home event will be August 25th.

Chuck H. asked that Chuck S. go over the Rulebook proposals. Chuck S. has forwarded the feedback that he received to Jack Wilson. Chuck S. asked that any concerns or input be addressed to Chuck H. as he will be voting the proxies and they will be voted as line items. Alan Moore stated that the rulebook proposals with red line copy are on the website. Warren Obert asked if the change in the number of sanctions from seven to ten will take effect in 2012. Chuck S. stated that if the change passes, they will take effect in 2013. Several people questioned this. Alan and Chuck H. said that the changes will be voted on at the November meeting to take effect in 2012. Chuck S. checked his paperwork and said, yes, 2012 is correct. Warren asked if the items would be voted individually. As it stands, he is not in favor of the entire package. Chuck H. explained that a Governor could ask for the division of the question if he really has a problem with a rulebook proposal. Chuck S. advised that if you really have an issue with something, please let Chuck H. know so that he can divide the question and vote the proxies appropriately. Voting is NOT done by ballot; it is done in person at the November meeting. Chuck H. questioned the proposal in the Concours section in regard to addresses not having to be the same on Driver's licenses when showing a vehicle. Chuck S. explained that a situation came up with two people owning a Race Prepared car and wanting to show it. Several years ago there were complaints about dependent members who did not live at the same address showing a car and it was changed to read that if two people are showing a car they must have the same address on their Driver's licenses. Now they want to change it again. Still, only two people can show a car. As long as both people have prepared the car to be shown, they do not have to reside at the same address. Alan stated that another reason for the change is that in some instances, a Member's Associate is their child and they no longer live at the same address. Rallye checkers currently need to be present at the event. The proposal is that they do not need to be and the question is... when do they sign the waiver? Chuck S. and Alan don't like it because if something is found to be wrong and the checkers are not there, what do you do? Peggy stated that it has always been said if you don't sign the waiver you are not there, and the waiver is to be signed the day of the event. Alan said that this will not change. Question still is when do you sign the waiver? Chuck S. gave an example of people that set up the rallye and rallye checkers that signed the waiver and then left and the Chairman was left to answer for things. Terry Muich asked if the Chairman must be the one to check the rallye the morning of. His interpretation is the checkers do their thing in advance and then the morning of the rallye, the Chairman makes sure that everything is still the same. If the checkers find something wrong, there is ample time for

changes to be made. Chuck S. will check on this. Found – rallye checkers will check the rallye at a similar time on the same day of the week that the actual rallye will be run. Terry still questioned whether or not the CHAIRMAN must check the rallye the morning of the event. Chuck S. will continue to look for the answer. Ken Rutherford read from the rulebook that all aspects must be checked by someone other than the Rallyemaster. Pat Adams did not think this referred to the morning of the event. Chuck H. then questioned the proposal in regard to Chairman/co-chair points. He read the rule and the proposal. The proposal is that you can receive both Chair and Co-Chair points during a competition year. Chuck S. stated that he did not know what the thinking was on this proposal. Alan stated he thought that because some clubs are so small it would be the only way for them to get Chairpeople for their events. Chuck H. said that Bill Wood has always done all of the Kanawha Valley rallyes and only got chair points once. Alan said that the RCD's didn't think it was a problem to get them twice. Ken asked what the thinking is of going to ten sanctioned events per club per year. Chuck S. stated this came from out west because of their clubs being so far away. Most of the east is not really for that because the East Region has difficulty getting all of their events in due to the weather. The west does not really have a weather issue but would like more events due to distance. Pat Rutherford asked if there would now be a maximum of 10 events per day instead of seven. There will still be a maximum of seven events per day, but each club will be allowed 10 per year. Chuck S. said that Manny Montgomery is not in favor of this change because it will fall to him to put on the extra events. Brian Gallagher says that he has trouble getting all of their events in due to the weather and had wanted to be able to put events on during Convention. Pat Rutherford stated that it is tough for those clubs to run for National points because of this. Chuck S. agreed. Chuck H. asked if the east was outvoted by the west in this regard. Chuck S. said yes. Again, please let Chuck H. know your feelings on the changes, and give several example of why. Chuck S. said that he had two copies of the changes available today for anyone that would like to see them.

### **REGIONAL EXECUTIVE:**

Chuck Heretta stated Governors should have received their ballot envelopes and went through what it contained and how to fill it out. The ballot envelope must be postmarked by October 31st or it will be invalid. Alan Moore received everything in the envelope BUT the ballot. He contacted Cindy Urenda and one is on its way. Peggy also stated that it MUST be filled out correctly or it will be thrown out. There are two candidates for VP of Competition; Paul Haak from the Mid-West Region and Alan Moore from the East Ohio Region. Alan handed out the letter that he sent out and gave his campaign speech and asked for our Governors' votes. Chuck S. gave information on Paul Haak. They bring different sets of knowledge to the table. Alan is very good with the Competition end where Paul has been involved with setting up the computer programs for point keeping. Chuck H. stated Paul intends to keep the "closed door" sessions, where Alan feels that only leads people to think that the RCD's have something to hide. Cathy Brisbois is the only candidate for Secretary. Hal Tumbleson is running unopposed for Business Manager and this will be his second term. Ron Ruston is again running for Sgt at Arms and this will also be his second term. On the ballot is the 2013 Convention proposal for Bowling Green, KY. It is proposed as a 5 day Convention beginning on Monday and ending on Friday. The information given by Dick Yanko was very sketchy. The plant will not be open during that time due to the change over and there is no high speed track in the area since Nashville has closed.



There is no commitment from any of the other competition venues. NCCC would be liable for much of the amount due to the Holiday Inn. It is not imperative that we have a Convention. It was noted Tinley Park lost money. Alan stated Dick had some good plans in the beginning but a lot of things have worked against him and have gone down the tubes. Pat Adams stated it may be a good idea to go to every other year. Chuck H. stated Debbie Lindsay would probably have a very hard time justifying to sponsors why we need their sponsorship money. Sponsors are beginning to question whether or not their money is being spent wisely. Alan wondered whether there were too many things going on at the same time at our Conventions. The green portion of the ballot has to do with electronic balloting. This would eliminate the packet that we are now discussing. The by-law they are proposing says they can have both paper and electronic voting. Because of the way the by-laws and standing rules are worded, even though voting would be done electronically, they would still have to print a paper ballot. They RE's tried to make them understand it needs to be either or, but to no avail. This could open a can of worms they really didn't intend to do. This by-law is being pushed by Ron Ruston, the Sgt. At Arms. We do this type of balloting once a year. Aurel asked if it has been verified the voting system cannot be hacked. Chuck H. stated that he didn't know if there is anything that is 100% hack proof. He said your ballot would be sent directly to you and your data base is password protected. There will be a time frame for you to vote. Your ballot is sent directly to the Secretary. The only thing anyone will know is if a club has voted. The day of the meeting the information would be downloaded for the Teller Committee to tally. No one can give Chuck an answer as to whether it can be tampered with; the same as when he asks why it cost \$9,000 to build a membership data base for which they had only budgeted \$4,500. He is very leery of doing this since it is something we do only once a year and costs approximately \$400 to do. Terry Muich said there are always issues no matter how it is done and since we are trying to attract younger members, we need to do what they are familiar and comfortable with. The young people don't understand why we aren't with the times. Aurel stated the system needs to be encrypted and almost unbeatable. Chuck H. explained the last proposal in regard to out of pocket appointed officer expenses. They have always been paid, this is just a formality. The last item Chuck wished to discuss was GM trademark usage. An email was sent to all Governors in regard to this. GM has been very good about us using their trademarks, but every once in a while they have someone new in Marketing and it gets a little sticky. It has been suggested you include in your newsletters and the home page of your websites this wording: "Chevrolet trademark(s) used with the written permission of General Motors." Items with GM logos cannot be sold for profit; it is okay to sell to members. If you are selling to the general public, you had better have bought it from a GM approved vendor.

Alan Moore advised Gail had a stroke Thursday night. She is in the hospital and is recovering with a good prognosis.

Terry Muich asked we vote for those who are willing to acknowledge their weaknesses and are willing to ask for help when needed.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Chuck H. advised banquet guidelines are available electronically. The Banquet/Budget Committee was asked to seek clubs that are willing to put on the Regional Banquet. He will

entertain bids for the 2013 East Ohio Regional Banquet at the December meeting. Please email Chuck H. if your club is interested in putting on the Banquet so he can forward the guidelines.

The Governor's subsidy plan is also available to those clubs that have not used it in this rotation. It is available so a Governor can attend a National meeting. Warren Obert from Corvette Cleveland has submitted bills from the September meeting. The November meeting is still available. Give your receipts to Sue for reimbursement. The Region will reimburse up to \$150 once in the cycle of usage by clubs. Banquet 2012 is coming along nicely, according to Alan. It will be held at the Galaxy in Wadsworth. He is working on prices and a flyer will be available at the next meeting. Chuck S. noted there are less people in Team 200, only ten ladies qualified this year along with 16 men, but more people are participating, just attending less events. There are names in the point standings that he has never seen before. People that have been in Team 200 in the past are not participating as much. He feels this is an unusual trend. Chuck S. also commented that Ken Rutherford said he would rather see an award than have lunch provided at events. He said that when the Region combines with a club to put on events, he lets the Club choose how things will be done. Ken said he did not bring this up for himself but for the newer competitors. Chuck S. stated his granddaughter would rather have "a dust collector" than lunch any day. He also commented the only information found in regard to rallye checking was that it must be done on the day of the event by a rallye checker. He found this in the "rallye checker" section.

#### BREAK FOR LUNCH

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Chuck Heretta announced the Region has purchased a timing trailer. It has been equipped and used. It will be put into storage shortly.

This is the meeting which we elect Officers in the region. This year we will elect the RE. Sue will pass out ballots since we have more than one candidate. The ballots are numbered, only so Sue gets the same amount of ballots back that she hands out. The numbers have no meaning. They do not correspond to clubs. She received two proxy votes via email; Jack Sherman from Mound City and Bob Rogers from CWVCC. She also received an email from Bill Wood on October 12th asking to be removed from consideration for RE due to changes in his retirement situation. He will have a new email after 11/11/11. Chuck Stephens will proxy for Kanawha Valley. Due to our by-laws, Bill's name cannot be removed at this time; however, it was so noted.

Sharon Burk gave her campaign speech for RE. She feels it would be a privilege to represent the Region as RE. She is observant, dedicated, respectful, and thoughtful. People have different ideas, but she feels it's time for fresh, new thoughts and things to happen within the Region for the future of the Region. There are many great clubs and great members and she'd like to see the Region grow. She'd like your vote. Chuck Heretta stated he has been the RE for the past 11 years and also held the office in the late 80's. He has started a lot of new projects and new things over the past 11 years that have dealt with the Museum right up through (lately) the purchase of the timing trailer to get everything in one place so that everything is together. He has instituted a

timing system that works very well through the work of Bob Thomsen and those who have worked with him. Chuck has worked on a budget that was suggested years ago by Dick Downs and each year he tries to construct a budget that we live within our means and know what our means are. He continues with Regional events, as many as he can, whatever is donated to the Region, and if re-elected he will continue in those same ways. Chuck S. stated he was happy to see more than one candidate on the ballot. It's not a rubber stamp type thing and the RCD job will be coming up in a year and he would like to see someone run against him for that position. He thinks this interest is really good and wished both candidates the best of luck. There were no other comments. Chuck H. asked the Governors to take the ballot in front of them and mark their choice, fold the ballot in half and give it to Sue Hamilton. Chuck Stephens asked for two people to verify the ballots. Mickey Ouellette and Jane Lundblad were asked to be the Teller Committee with Sue.

The Chili, Appetizer and Dessert Challenge will be held on Saturday, November 19th at Father Bob's church, St. Michael's in Akron. All are welcome. Doors should open at 4:30. If you are bringing an appetizer or need to warm something, please arrive early. Chili tasting will begin around 6 PM. The Region will supply the flatware, paper goods and beverages. Just bring your favorite chili, appetizer, or dessert and you are free to eat to your heart's content! The only challenge is to see how much you can eat. There is no judging of the chili.

There was a tie in the results of the voting for the position of RE. There are 17 clubs. Sue has 16 ballots with the proxies with the only one missing being CCWV. It was stated that the RE then must break the tie. Chuck H. stated that was why he did not vote as Buckeye's Governor. Chuck S. then read the exact wording for breaking a tie from the Standing Rules. It is the RE's responsibility to break ties, therefore, Chuck H. then used his power as RE and voted in favor of himself. He had given his Club vote (Buckeye) to Al Etzel. Chuck Stephens contested the vote saying he felt it gave Buckeye two votes for a ballot of individuals for a position and not on an amendment or change to a by-law or any provision and said he would take it to National and let them decide. Chuck H. stated that we have a Standing Rule that is very specific in what it says and that is why he didn't vote and he has no idea how Al Etzel voted. Terry Muich requested that the rule be read again. The Standing Rules of the Region were read aloud and dissected. Terry Muich feels there is a gray area since the RE is also a Governor. Chuck H. explained that it was set up so one person didn't have two votes. Terry gave his interpretation and supported Chuck S. The by-laws are very specific and Chuck Heretta is correct in what he did. He directed those who disagreed to submit a Standing Rule to clarify this if they feel it is incorrect. Alan Moore stated it would do no good to send it to National since the Region has rules set in place. National will not make a ruling. Pat Rutherford and Sue Hamilton both said he could designate someone that is present, and not a Governor, to cast his vote. It just says that he "may" and he chose to cast the vote. Alan clarified that Chuck H. cast his vote as RE to break the tie and Chuck H. had someone else, Al Etzel, cast the vote for Buckeye. Elaine Heretta stated these are the East Ohio Region Standing Rules and By-laws and National has nothing to do with what just happened. Terry Muich said the way he reads it is he gave his vote away. No, he gave his "Club" vote away. Alan said it doesn't say he has to, he could have voted as the RE and a Governor. The rest of the room told him it was two separate issues; the "club" vote and the "tie" vote and that he had them confused. Alan suggested we call Kent Pascoli so he could use his

vote to break the tie. Chuck H. said “no” because Jack and Bob had sent in their proxy votes, and that Kent had the same opportunity to do so and chose not to. We had a tie and our Standing Rules and By-laws are very specific that the RE breaks all ties. Chuck H. gave away his “club” vote, just as the Standing Rules say that he can do and that no one has two votes. When these rules were written years ago, that was a concern that if the RE was a Governor, he would have two votes on an issue. This way the RE does not have two votes; he has one vote on the issue. We followed exactly what was written. If you feel the need to clarify that for the future, submit a Standing Rule or a clarification and it will be talked about, voted upon, and the wording gets hashed out so that there are no gray areas. That is how we go forward. We can’t go backwards now. You can’t change something that’s going to happen in the future and have it affect something that’s happened in the past. Alan again stated that any decision that is made has to come from our Region not NCCC. He also commented that the reason the NCCC rulebook is thicker than it was years ago, is that the RCD’s try to cure the problems that have come up especially with the 16,000+ members that try to find ways around those rules. Every year you have to write new rules to cover things that people have discovered. You’ll never be able to write a rule that never has to be changed because someone will find a way around it. Ken Rutherford said that people will always read between the lines because they don’t want to follow what was written to begin with. Pat Adams asked if there had been any feedback from the previous meeting when Chuck H. had said he was updating the By-Laws and Standing Rules. Chuck stated that he had been going through and researching minutes and filling in changes that have been made so that the Governors would receive an updated version prior to the December meeting. For the last year and a half, Chuck H. has asked the Governors to send anything in regard to things and he has received nothing. He mentioned the changes to the MVP award and the “Street Championship” that will now appear in the Standard Operating Procedures. Pat Adams asked if anything that is submitted now would be voted on later and not appear in what Chuck sent out. Chuck stated that it would have had to be submitted to him today. He said that we can do this again in December. He and Chuck S. have decided that if adjustments need to be made to the MVP and Street Championship, that it will be looked at in December, but we actually have until the March meeting to make that happen. If we get any proposals in enough time he can get them out prior to the meeting so the Governors have time to look at them and the adjustment can be made if the Governors so choose. Any adjustments to the MVP or Street Championship have to be made by the end of the Regional Meeting that will be held in March so that the entrants know what the criteria is for the year 2012. Ken Rutherford has put together a proposal in regard to Article 6 Section 4 of the by-laws. He stated that at one time a club could only be represented on the Regional Board once. He feels that it can become a conflict of interest; not that people haven’t been doing a good job, because they have. He stated that his proposal follows the NCCC rules for the Executive Board. He would like to change the second sentence to read: “A club may be represented only once on the same elected Regional Officer Board, without regard to membership classification. A spouse or companion of the same relationship or domicile shall not serve on the same elected Regional Officer Board.” Chuck H. asked for discussion. Chuck Stephens asked when Ken would like this to take effect; January 1st? Alan said that it would have to be the next election. Chuck S. said that he would not have a problem with that. Alan gave the example that when he was elected RCD, he was NOT representing Tiretown as Governor. At the time, Tiretown had a very strong presence in the Region, and it was felt that Tiretown did their best to control everything that happened in the

Region. It was very true. When he announced that he was running, there was one particular member of Tiretown who made the comment that it was about time Tiretown runs what goes on the Region. That person was very shocked when they found out that Alan did not represent Tiretown. That's the one thing you don't want to happen. He's not saying that it is happening, but that it could and that was the reason we had the rule in the beginning and that it is a very good rule to have. Chuck Stephens said he had no problem with the change, no remorse or hard feelings, that you could put it in on January 1st and that it is already in the By-Laws that the RE can appoint whoever he wants to fill that position and you people make your choice of who you want; if you want Peggy or Chuck, and if don't want to make that choice, let the RE do it and they will live with it. He said has no heartburn over it. He said to make it January 1st. There is no sense of prolonging the misery with you people. It is miserable for you and it is miserable for them, they are looking over their shoulders all the time, so make it January 1st. You choose who you want to go, him or Peggy. Don Burk stated the Governors should vote on this, yes or no. Chuck H. said this is correct and asked if there was any other discussion. Chuck S. said that if the Governors are going to put this in as a By-Law change, then they need to follow the By-Laws. Chuck S. read from the By-Laws, Article 9 Section 1a; the procedure to be followed for changing a by-law. Chuck S. said: so, if you are going to write this up, then the RE needs to select Governors to review this and report back to the Governors, but also who he selects must be approved by the Governors. He said this has not been followed. Ken said this had not been submitted for a vote, yet. Chuck S. said they should get it together so it could be voted on at the December meeting and he has no heartburn over the issue. He said the Governors could vote on it – if you want it or if you don't. He is just saying to do it according to the rules. Aurel said in order to make a change; you have to submit the change to the Governors at least 30 days prior. Chuck S. said he had not found that anywhere, because he was going to make a proposal and could not find it in the current set that he has, which is dated December 3, 2005. He has not received an update. Aurel said it may have been deleted, but it was his understanding that it had to be submitted at least 30 days prior to the Board of Governors voting. Chuck S. said that Aurel was talking about rule changes and that he was talking about By-Laws. It is the same difference. Ken stated that his version is dated March 7, 2008. Chuck H. said that is correct that he is to appoint a By-Laws Committee, although it doesn't say how many he should appoint to it and that it needs to be approved by the Board of Governors. Chuck H. appointed Aurel Ouellette and Dan Lyden to a Bylaws Committee...motioned by Chuck H. as Governor of Buckeye Corvettes, seconded by Pat Adams. Terry Muich complained that the Bylaws and Standing Rules are not on the website. Chuck H. will send them to Bob Kirsch to be added to the website. There was some confusion about the dates of the By-Laws and Standing Rules. The By-Laws are dated 2005 and the Standing Rules are dated 2008. Alan Moore stated that being a long time member and having attended Governors meeting forever – at one time, and the reason NCCC has this rule is at one time we did not have a rule keeping multiple people from sitting on the board and the reason this rule got passed there is because there was a lot of hanky panky going on. He is not saying there is any hanky panky going on, but we as Governors found out long after the fact that a lot of things were going on that they had no knowledge of. Ken Rutherford agreed. Both stated that it was a conflict of interest. Chuck H. asked for the vote to appoint Aurel and Dan to a By-Law Committee. This passed and there were none opposed. He will need Aurel and Dan's recommendation on what Ken has submitted prior to November 1st to be included on the December 3rd agenda. Anything that is to be voted on at the December meeting need to be in

writing, electronic or longhand, to Aurel, Dan and Chuck prior to November 1st to be considered on December 3rd. Chuck S. said he really encourages this to go into effect January 1, 2012 and then the Governors can vote on who they want. There is no sense of prolonging the agony. If you're going to do it, do it now, go with this thing and there's no hard feelings on his or Peggy's part. If you want to choose between the two of them or if you want them both to leave, he doesn't care. The RE has the power to appoint who he wants – one of us leaves – or both – but make it effective January 1st and it can go in the By-Laws as 2012. Ken stated that it would not go in until the next election. Don Burk stated those positions were voted on a year ago for a two-year term and if it was done this coming January it will be too soon. It would have to take effect next October. Ken stated that what was intended. Elaine Heretta said this was what Ken had said from the beginning and that Chuck S. is the only one who is saying THIS January. Chuck S. said he just wanted to put it into effect. Ken never said this January. Chuck H. stated this deals strictly with election time. Alan said this all started when we saw that potentially we could have all of the Officers from one club and what was said at that time was that when Tiretown was so powerful in the Region that that was not what was best for the Region. It has nothing against anybody doing anything now, but if you get a powerful club down the road and every Officer is from that club you will have a Region that is run by one club and that is detrimental to the Region. That's the only reason. We have nothing against you or Peggy, you do a great job; but the potential is there. Ken R. again stated it was that way at one time and he didn't know how it got changed around.

Chuck H. stated our third installment of \$3,000 to the Museum will be sent. Chuck H. hand delivered the first installment, Don and Sharon Burk delivered the second, and if no one was going to the Museum in the next couple of weeks, we would send this installment by Certified Mail. Don Burk said he thinks this is all well and good and is a good program, but that he has heard many rumors to the effect that the project is not going through and they are not taking any more donations; no one is donating any money. We have already donated \$9,000. Don asked what happens if this facility goes blank; will we lose our money? Chuck H. stated he questioned Wendell Strode about this before proposing it to our Governors, donations would return to their origin or the people who made those donations have the option of donating that money to the Museum. Our donation of \$15,000 has been earmarked strictly for the Motorsports Complex. If the Motorsports Complex does not happen, we have those two options; taking the money back or donating it to the Museum. Don asked where the project stands now. Chuck H. said that, from the horse's mouth, at the C5/C6 Bash banquet they sold an additional five acres. They are at about \$225,000 in acreage purchases and are very close to naming rights' sponsor for the Motorplex, which will be a \$10 million contribution which will then trip the additional financing. They have purchased the first segment of acreage and will now purchase the second segment because it was on a purchase option. The design stage is underway and the zoning changes will be done by the end of the year. There is a lot of talk about the doom and gloom of the Motorsports Complex, but hearing what Wendell says, that is not true. It is true you will not see the 4-5 mile course that was proposed in the beginning. You will see a shorter course of about 3 miles that will have all of the LeMans turns and things along that line. It will be built in stages, like anything else is, due the amount of money it requires. It is a GO. They hope to break ground in the Spring/Summer of 2012 and start construction and be up and running by 2014 for the 20 year anniversary caravan. Don said he was glad that Chuck H. could clarify this, because

that was not what he was hearing. Chuck said it is no secret that he and Dick Yanko have butted heads for years and he felt Dick has an ax to grind with the Museum because of what happened between his late wife, Judy, and the Museum. When he was NCCC President, he painted a picture of doom and gloom. In light of what happened at the C5/C6 bash, even though money is tight all around, they are very close to having a naming rights sponsor; a \$10 million commitment over so many years. It would be a long term commitment by this organization and as soon as this happens it trips the financing for the rest of the project. Wendell Strode was not a Corvette person, does not own a Corvette. He was a banker that took a Museum that didn't have the money to turn the lights on in the morning into a Museum that is now making money on the raffle of cars, etc. The projection of doom and gloom is over exaggerated. Rest assured if two years ago, had our money been in jeopardy, Chuck would not have suggested that we make the donation. Because of how the Museum is listed as a charitable organization, they have no choice but to give the money back or allow us to donate it to the Museum. Terry Muich said he remembers this being said at the time of the proposal. He also said he has read of the same time frames that Chuck mentioned. Chuck said this information can be found on the Museum's website and was given to the Governors by Hal Bellamy at the last NCCC Governors meeting. Chuck said this is a step-by-step-by-step process because they are taking land that has been used for agriculture and changing it to industrial use. You must going through the zoning process. They have a definite plan.

Chuck H reminded the Governors that the next Regional Banquet will be at the Galaxy in Wadsworth hosted by Alan and Gail Moore. Bids must be presented at the December meeting for the 2013 Banquet. Chuck reminded the Governors that the December 3rd meeting begins at 9:30 AM and we will be bidding for 2012 competition events and Chuck S. needs drop dead dates by November 15th. The next National meeting will be in St. Louis on November 12th. He related the problems of finding good flight deals.

Pat Adams submitted a Regional By-Law change in regard to clubs receiving points when another club puts on their events. He objects to the assignation of points for the club, to the club that's giving up the points, especially one that got nailed a year ago due to his own stupidity. Chuck S. corrected him that it was not stupidity, but an error in judgment. Pat is not that type of a person. His club would like to see this considered. Submitted – one club taking the other clubs events – object to the club that gave up the points getting the points. Alan clarified the National rule which states the sanctioning club receives the 100 hosting points. They don't have to put the event on, but the points have to go to them. The reason being, you don't want one club acquiring all the events in the Region, putting them on, and getting all of the points, thus giving them an inflated end result. Pat is not saying that the club that takes those sanctions should get those points, just saying that the rule is set up so that they can't do that. Alan said a club is allowed to have seven sanctions. Once they sanction seven events, those 700 points stay with that club. They cannot be moved anyplace else. If a club does not wish to put on those seven events, they can still sanction them. In all honestly, they could sell those seven events to someone else if they want, but the 700 sanctioning points stay with the club that took the sanction out. They can't be moved anywhere. Pat is not saying they be moved, he is saying they be eliminated. Alan said we can't say that they can be eliminated since National would have to say that they be eliminated and National says that those points have to stay with the clubs that sanctioned them. We can't go

against what NCCC says. We could argue it at the National level, but it would not be changed.

Alan said he would like to change a rule in his “Street Championship Series” so you cannot qualify if you are in the Team 200. The way he originally wrote it, he allowed someone to qualify for both, but he would like to change it so anyone who gets Team 200 cannot qualify for the Street Award. This year it is not a problem, but there have been years where there were a lot of Team 200 places and people would qualify for both. That is not the idea for this award, so he will write it up and submit it. He would also like to look at the MVP Award in regard to those that are in one car classes so they would receive first place points. They lose out with no fault of their own. When calculating the MVP, bonus points do not count, and someone in a one car class only receives seven points even if he qualifies for bonus points. In a two car class they automatically get nine points which gives them an advantage. He would like to see one car classes get first place points in calculating the MVP award. He suggested that a tracker be appointed to the MVP Award because of the adjustments that would have to be made in points, since the RCD has enough to do without keeping two sets of points. Elaine Heretta asked Alan to clarify stating how Championship Series points were calculated in the past. FTD points do not count. We have never made an adjustment for one car classes. Chuck H. asked what you would do in a Concours situation. Examples were given in regard to Concours classes. Alan stated it would be calculated as nine (first place) points all across the board. Elaine and Chuck both stated it would have to be very specific in this regard. Alan said the person in charge would have to make the adjustments on each set of results just like we did for Champ Series.

## **ROUNDTABLE**

Lake Shore: Ric Keller thanked those that came to their USO show and to Corvette Cleveland for donating \$100 and for those that attended and Vettemilion. They were able to make donations of \$3,000 and \$5,000 (to the Diabetes Foundation for those that cannot afford supplies) respectively. He is looking forward to next year.

North East Ohio: Ken Jecman said in retrospect he sees that it was a successful year and that even though there aren't that many rallyers and racers out there, people seem to be content with what they are doing in regard to competition. His club is running more to the “social.” People are doing what they want to do. It is still hard to find volunteers. They have begun to include steel cars in the Lally show, at their request, due to a lack of participation by Corvettes.

Mahoning Valley: Dan Lyden said it has been a rough year for Mahoning Valley. The President and Vice President have left the club. It was a “bloody” turnover. The club is in the process of getting their 501c7. They feel if you have an EIN number, you will be investigated. Their President investigated a New Mexico club that was caught. They have an appointment with an accountant this week to get the ball rolling. It will cost \$400. Their club has given away \$10,000 in the last three years. He feels they need to get back to the needs of the basic membership. Their members don't understand the “points thing.” They are worried about members. His members question “why NCCC” and can't get them to go anywhere. Besides insurance, what does NCCC give us? Peggy gave him the handout – Why NCCC? Dan said he has received this several times and Chuck H. has attended his clubs meetings. He feels it is hard to sell and has had members quit because they don't want to pay the NCCC dues. He would like



some guidance – a way to get members. Dave (MV President) said even though he puts the information out there, people complain about how far it is to go and how much it costs. The people want to know why they have to keep paying and what they are getting for their money. He has explained the points and the members think it is too much work. The rulebook seems to be over their heads. Elaine Heretta asked to give the flip side of this. Would they like their car shows to be attended by ONLY their members? By their members not making an effort to come to other clubs events, what does that say to us? That we're not worthy? Then we will think you're not worthy either. Dan said they can't get people to help with the car show let alone have it. Elaine wondered if the MV members realize it costs those of us that attend your events just as much as it would cost them to attend ours. If they continue to have this attitude, THEY will be the only ones at your car shows this year. She knows MV goes on "cruises" so why is it so hard for them to come to other events. Dave said he can't get them to go to local "cruise ins" let alone go anywhere else. He wants suggestions on how to light a fire. Chuck H. asked "what are you offering your members to do?" Don't put it on NCCC, that it is NCCC's fault if MV doesn't have a plan for their members for something to do. Don't talk about points, don't talk about competition, it's obvious that your people don't want to do that. You have to understand when you have your Sunday morning breakfast meeting, you're covered. When you go on that cruise, or drive someplace, as long as it's pre-announced in your newsletter, you're covered. You have third-party liability insurance. What are you offering your members to do outside of competition? If they want to belong to your club, and they don't want to be competitive, which is fine, what are you offering them to do? Are you offering them a monthly social? Not an event, but a monthly social, where you might go to a dinner theatre, drive to see the fall leaves, go on a covered bridge tour. Dave said they tried something in the spring and only the Officers and a couple of others showed up. Chuck asked why, if you have 50 – 60 members in your club? You need to be investigating this within your own club. Other clubs do the same thing. You need to investigate what other clubs are doing beyond competition. If they don't go and try a competitive event, if they don't go to someone else car show, which is nothing more than sitting around having a BS session, they don't find the camaraderie of other clubs, be it Competition, Corvette Cleveland, NEOVC or Lake Shore, to find out what those people are doing and pick those people's brains and bring those idea back. Some of the best ideas that Chuck has brought to Buckeye have come from observing other clubs because it worked for them. That's what you need to be looking at. In regard to the 501c3, that is each club's decision on what they want to do. Dan worries that as the club's statutory representative; they will come find him, and doesn't want that responsibility. Chuck again stated it is each club's individual choice. When you asked him what he thought he told you what he thought and what has worked for umpteen million years. The East Ohio Region is not a 501c3. We are incorporated with the State of Ohio as a not for profit organization. Dan said MV is also. Chuck said you have to FILE for 501c3 and qualify to be a 501c3. Dan said it is 501c7 that they are filing for. Chuck said you still have to QUALIFY for it and that it is MV choice of what they want to do. Dan asked if the Government does an audit on the bank and sees that you have an EIN number, can't they close your account? Chuck stated he couldn't answer that because he is not an attorney and you are obviously going to one to get those answers which are YOUR club's decision to make. Elaine H stated she was sure if there was a way (for example) that Corvette Cleveland was screwing up, Don Obert would have found it out a long time ago. All agreed. Dan feels it is the legal thing to do. Chuck again said that it was their choice. The bottom line is that, yes, they are clamping down on the

501c3's and c7's, but if you don't qualify as that, don't open a can of worms and it will take a long time for them to find you. Alan Moore stated MV couldn't exist if it weren't for the insurance. There have been a lot of clubs that have had something happen at club meeting, parades and such that have found out how good it is to have insurance. There are clubs that have found out that they didn't do what they were supposed to and have suffered because they didn't do things correctly and were not covered when they needed to be covered when something happened. You as a club would not be able to go out and privately buy a worthwhile insurance policy to cover your club meetings, your socials, or anything else that you do. That is the biggest reason for being a member of National Council. There was a club in California several years ago that did not follow the rules; they went to a parade and then later went to a homecoming. Someone got drunk, in the middle of the day, had an accident and killed someone. Both events were sanctioned by the club. The person who caused this was not a National Council member. The lawyers went after the club and the individual. The club was covered for the financial obligation. The individual was not covered. Pat Rutherford told of Classic Glass (non NCCC) caravanning to places and wondered what would happen if something happened. Elaine commented when Deb Murphy was NCCC Treasurer, she had investigated and found it is not necessary for our clubs to become 501c7. Alan said since you seem to be taking in and letting out a little more money than some of the other clubs, it might be necessary, but as a general rule for us, no. It is not worth all the trouble other than to file for incorporation at the state level. Dave said he thinks if their club continues to do this, one day they will get their hands slapped. He said in 2006 it was implemented if you have an EIN number you have to file. If you have not filed, the number becomes null and void – expired. You become tax exempt if you are c3 or c7. C7's are social clubs where you collect dues. You either file state and federal tax, or you become tax exempt under a c3 or c7. Two accountants and a lawyer have told them this. They have already begun the application. Peggy said if your club officers are sued, you need the insurance coverage. Dan still wondered how you sell NCCC. Alan said since Dan is retired, and gave the example of what some members of Tiretown are doing, an "old farts brigade," they meet for lunch once a month and are getting a tremendous turnout. Also, have an evening social once a month.

Fun Center: Aurel Ouellette said they are hanging in there - way below the radar!

Blennerhassett: Dan Lundblad thanked those who participated in their shows and hope to see everyone there again next year. They donated \$1,000.

Corvette Canton: Mark Thurin said to have a peaceful Thanksgiving.

Competition: Don Burk thanked everyone for the good year so far – congratulations and mentioned their fall cruise next weekend beginning in Zanesville.

Mid Ohio: Terry Muich thanked those who attended their events and mentioned Fred Gallagher from Buckeye was a big hit with the "Buckeye Princess" sash at the Children's Home event. They were able to donate \$7,000 and said Mid-Ohio was once like MV with only Terry, Reggi, Ken and Pat being competitive. They need to promote events in a favorable light and be a cheerleader for them. They get a good turnout for dinners and some are starting to go to shows

with a couple talking about autocrossing.

Corvette Cleveland: Warren Obert said they had a good year and thanked those who supported their events. The Corsa Show will be held the last Sunday of July. They have been able to give approximately \$4,000 each year and 2012 will be the 10<sup>th</sup> year for Corsa.

Crooked River: Tim Obert said nobody comes to socials or meetings but they show up to speed events – LOL. They have generated some interest through their website and their non-sanctioned low speed events in addition to their sanctioned events. He agreed with Chuck H. in regard to taking what works for other clubs and incorporate them into yours. They are working on something for next year that will bring everyone together – still working on it – big event, small club. He suggested we look at our websites in regard to attracting new members as it is now the first thing that people see. Some clubs are using Facebook as this is what the younger generation sees. The internet is a huge tool in tapping the younger members. There aren't many of his age involved with Corvettes, just those who have had access by growing up around them. He talked of the article in Blue Bars about FCOA and the 3rd generation of NCCC and only three of those pictured are actually members of a club. We need to bridge that gap. Melanie Gruhn, Kaleb Austin and himself are the only ones active of the second and third generation in our Region. They would rather have “something” to remind them of events. He asked that we stop using insurance as the reason for joining NCCC. He talked of the passing of Geoffrey Gott and how, on a Thursday evening, people came from all over the country to remember him. The most important reason to join NCCC is “we joined for the car and stayed for the people.” There are 18,000 people across the country you can count on. You have friends you can count on when you need them all over, through National Council. The new NCCC family helping family is getting off the ground. Insurance is a huge part of it, but it's secondary to the camaraderie.

Medina: Pat Adams said they are planning to diversify their events next year; maybe drag racing and would like feedback from other clubs to see if there is any interest out there.

Tiretown: Alan Moore suggested to Mahoning Valley they need to encourage their members to get out and meet others. It is not easy to get them started going somewhere but once they go they will continue to do so. He said it expands your fun in untold numbers. He has run and competed all over the country and has friends in almost every state. It was unbelievable the number of people who came to Geoffrey's memorial. He knew them all through traveling and competing all over the country. That is the neatest part about being a part of NCCC; all the different people you meet and the friends that you make. He also mentioned the memorial brick at the Museum for Geoffrey Gott. Donations can be given to Tiretown. Any excess money will be given to the Kidney Foundation.

Regional Membership Director: Peggy Stephens talked about the importance of having the NCCC display at events and hopes you have pulled in new members if you've had it. She gave the example of Kanawha Valley and their 6th Annual Dew-Wop. There were 960 cars. They got 14 new members that weekend while she and Chuck S. worked the display. Several more applications were given out. They talked about the camaraderie that goes on and how wonderful it is. There is a new program in place called “NCCC family helping family.” There is

information in Blue Bars. Alan said they are trying to get two people from each club to sign up; one that has mechanical experience and one that would be willing to put people up. If you would run into problems, you would check the website and contact the people in the area you are in for help, even if you just want to stop and have coffee with someone. It is strictly for NCCC members and if they find solicitors on the website they will change it. She also mentioned the NCCC Platinum Rewards credit card. You can have your car pictured on the card. The first time you use it, they give \$50 back to NCCC.

Regional Competition Director: Chuck Stephens stated one of these positions (his or Peggy's) will be available per the recent bylaw suggestion and to start combing your clubs, because if this by-law goes through, one of these positions will be available. You'd better look out, Kanawha Valley has 14 new members and we're going to invade Ohio. You'd better burn your bridges and guard the Ohio River Banks! One of these two positions will be vacant. You've got a year to think about it, because one of the two of us will be gone and that's per your request or your qualifications. Alan Moore stated "you guys are trying to ruin the Region." You guys have gotten to the point now that you're either going to do what I say - we've had trouble all year. Why can't we get along? You may not like the guy sitting next to you. Why does everybody have to fight everybody else over, oh, you passed a law that says we've seen in the past, we been around and seen what happens and what can happen when one club gets all the positions. Trust me, if Tiretown had gotten in at the time that they were powerful, Tiretown would have done what they wanted to do all the time whether you guys liked it or not. I saw that. I was part of it. That's the reason I took over RCD and would no longer be Tiretown's Governor, because I knew what was going to happen. Chuck S stated he is not a Governor and he doesn't even run for Governor. He is not the President. He is working strictly here. Don Burk asked what the difference is between Chuck S. and Peggy being in one club and Chuck H. and Sue Hamilton being from the same club. It was noted Sue is not elected. Don said "she's still on the board." Chuck S. stated he doesn't have any heartburn over it, he really doesn't. Alan asked why he keeps bringing it up. Someone asked why he doesn't quit. Chuck S. said he is not going to quit; he is going to stay his term, he is just stating the fact that one of these two positions is going to be vacant and you need to consider which one you want to take. It's either mine or it's hers. You guys put that in your By-Laws. I'm not upset; I'm just stating a fact. I told you that you need to comb the room. Alan said that we've already told you that we have no problem with both of you. You guys have done a great job, but that doesn't mean that we can't get two people in that are not going to the great job. Chuck S. said that you can get somebody in here that will do a better job than me, I'll guarantee you. I have a lot of deficiencies; I admit them and I recognize them. That's all I have to say.

Elaine Heretta to Mahoning Valley: I know your club meetings have been held on Sunday morning forever and a day, but that is also part of the problem when it comes to visiting other venues. If you were to look at the schedule 75%, at least, of the events your club might be interested in attending, are held on Sunday and the registration period would end before your club meeting would be over. You need to seriously think about possibly moving that meeting time to Sunday evening. Lake Shore's meetings are on Sunday evening and that gives them time to get back to Youngstown for a meeting. That is part of your problem. Dave said he understood that, but a lot of them are "old timers" and anytime you try to change it they get

upset. He changed the meeting last month and two couples showed up. If the meeting is held at 11 o'clock they all show up. Elaine stated if you don't have it at another time, then your members can't participate in anything. Dave mentioned there are people that go to church and others said that is their choice and depending on the church that they go to, there are other options there, too.

Regional Executive: Chuck Heretta said we received a 20 year membership thank you from the Museum to the East Ohio Region signed by Wendell Strode. Buckeye held speed events at Midvale for the first time in 30+ years. If you were there 30 years ago it was a dirt pit. If you were there recently it is completely paved except for a short distance at the entrance. It was a great event. There will be improvements made at the track over the winter. Other clubs have expressed an interest in using it and it would be available to us on Sundays during most of the season; Saturdays later in the Fall. There is a possibility of a new venue in Akron. Chuck thanked those who attended the September 25th events and hopes to see everyone there again in 2012. He felt everyone enjoyed themselves and all entrants and workers received a T-shirt as a memento in lieu of an award.

Sue Hamilton said even though she doesn't know just what NCCC has, insurance includes "defense costs" if you are sued.

Bob Thomsen thanked the Region for the purchase of the timing trailer. Everything is not all together yet but he doesn't have to use his trailer. He and Chuck H. have talked about putting the EOR logo on the side along with all the clubs logos on the back. He commented it is also a bus! While in West Virginia for an event, it was pouring rain and they used it to transport people to a restaurant around the corner from where they were staying.

The 50/50 drawing amount of \$42 was won by Ric Keller.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:24PM.

Respectfully submitted by:  
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With assistance from Elaine Heretta