

## MINUTES

### **EAST OHIO REGIONAL MEETING**

**Held September 22, 2016 at Belgrade Gardens, Akron, Ohio**

**Regional Executive** - Terry Muich

**Regional Membership Director** - Cheryl Getzy

**Regional Competition Director** - Al Flanhofer

**Regional Secretary** - Ryki Woods

**Regional Treasurer** - Peggy Stephens

#### **Attendees:**

Corvette Cleveland - Al Flanhofer, Governor

Buckeye Corvettes - Terry Sells, Governor

Mid-Ohio Corvette Club - Dan Gallagher, Governor

Mahoning Valley Corvettes - Doug Lawrentz, Governor

Mound City Corvette Club - David Brennan, Governor

Tiretown Corvette Club - Peggy Quine, Governor

North East Ohio Vette Club - T R Aldrich, Governor

Medina Corvette Club - Richard L Brooks, Governor

Kanawha Valley Corvette Club,Inc. - Charles R Stephens, Governor

Competition Corvette Assoc. Inc. - Michael J Getzy

#### **Guests:**

Roger Flading

Bev Sells

Diana Brag

Warren Obert

Susan Hamilton

Raymond Valentine

Fred DeGordon

Kathy Brennan

Stephen Hamilton

Jackie Stoutenburgh

Elaine Heretta

Martin Fiala

The meeting was called to order at 9:36 am by Regional Director Terry Muich.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Terry Muich welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked the Governors to introduce themselves. There were 10 Governors present.

Larry Higgins from NCCC passed away. Ray Valentine's wife also passed away. Terry Muich requested a moment of silence. Terry talked to Alan Moore, his wife Gail is not doing well, she has stage 4 lung cancer. She is at Akron City Hospital. The officers introduced themselves

The minutes from the previous meeting were mentioned. No corrections or additions were noted, a motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes as printed.

### **RMD - Cheryl Getzy**

It is membership renewal time. Right now the only entries are new members or late renewals. On October 16<sup>th</sup>, the system will go down and will be down for two days. On the 18<sup>th</sup> it opens back up and that is when you do the renewals for your club. The system will go back down on December 15<sup>th</sup> and will not go back up until January 1<sup>st</sup>, therefore, Cheryl is asking that all renewals are done by the end of November. If renewals are not done on time, all your club members will pay \$10 more for the primary member. The new members were supposed to have an NCCC application with them, these should be given to Elaine, she has to have them on file. The current national number is 19,247 and 249 clubs. Membership is growing slightly as we were slightly lower before. In East Ohio Region, we have 11,060 members and 33 members at large. The largest club in our Region is Buckeye with 247 members as of the last report Cheryl had. Regarding the FOCA, East Ohio Region has 264 members, we added 6 new members and lost 16 members who turned 17, however they can become primary members or youth members. Cheryl again stressed the importance of getting the renewals done and done in a timely manner.

**(check recording and see if Cheryl stated anything about not using old Membership forms, I thought she stated not to use the old forms but print out the new one found on line)**

Currently we have gotten 241 new members throughout the nation strictly from the cards being put in the new cars. Starting in 2017, you will get a new NCCC card and it will be a five year plus card. Cheryl asked the Governors to remind their membership that they will have this card for at least five years. If the number gets worn off, we can print off labels to replace them. This year we are getting the normal packet, next year will begin the 5 year card. The question was asked how to determine if someone presenting their card was truly still active and it was stated by Terry Muich and Cheryl that the data base will catch this. This is the responsibility of the chairmen and Governor of the events.

There is a new event Spring Mountain is doing. If a member owns a C 7, please make sure the club member's email is correct. They are doing a drawing for hot laps strictly for C 7 cars the 14<sup>th</sup> through the 17<sup>th</sup> at Spring Mountain as a guest. Cheryl asked the Governors to remind the members as they renew, that if they have a C 7, make sure their email is correct. The easiest way to determine that is if they have been receiving President Dave Heinemann's emails. If not, then check your email. Walt Jenkins will go into the system and draw out all the C7's and submit them.

### **RCD - Al Flanhofer**

Al thanked everyone for helping him learn his job. Al stated that next year he will want all the registration forms as well as the waivers, this would have prevented a few issues we had this year. Al would like the originals sent to him and the Governors can keep a copy of they want. Al mentioned that we had one issue this year where not all the people in the event got put in the spreadsheet. One of the members who didn't get their points sent Al a letter and copied everyone in National as well. He stressed that if there is a problem, please come to him first or Terry Muich, but please try to keep these problems in the Region. Al reminded everyone to do their results, you upload the information into the data base then you import it. If there is something wrong (name, EO number), it will appear in yellow, indicating that it is incorrect. Terry Muich was helping Al and they found that once you get everything in, correcting the yellow areas, you click on a manually input validate and if you click on that and results from an autocross are incorrect, it shows up yellow again. This can be corrected automatically. It was mentioned that autocross events are being done slightly different this year. One event is done and cut off. Then the second one, and so on. The reasoning behind that is that it speeds up getting the results to Al. There have been a few discrepancies, due to the fact the timing software was written in 2010 and some rules have changed since then. Al said that he has learned that the data base does need to have the results in an XL97 2003 spreadsheet. Some Governors may have saved it as a newer version and the data base won't take them. Al also mentioned that the spreadsheets must be sent one at a time, not all together because they are too large to send all at one time. You can name them EO-your club number-event. The autocross at Richmond Town Center was mentioned. Apparently, they had three men drivers for one car and the rule book states two men and two women. Al & Terry decided to let them run. Al would like to get that rule changed. Chuck Stephens mentioned that he thought that one of the drivers was non-NCCC.

The East Region held an event the weekend after Convention and a couple of National points people went to it and that was protested and the points were taken away and the event was classified as a non-sanctioned. Regarding helmets, we can only use Snell helmets. A change was made in the rule book for rallies, where you can give only one award per couple. It was also mentioned that National is looking into doing a one-time inspection/tech per year. Al pointed out that you would then have to ask people at the next event they participated in if they had done any changes or modifications to their cars. The rule regarding Snell helmets will go into effect at the beginning of the year.

Ray Valentine had several questions, first a question regarding the posted times, he asked if all times are posted. Al said that the times are on the spreadsheet that he uploads. The reason Ray is asking about that is that he would like to have an idea how close he is to the other competitors.

It was pointed out that if you go to the website and go to that particular event, you can see everyone's times. A question was raised about rally and econo results and why can't the results be like the autocross results. Al pointed out that the database wants highest to lowest results. In the econo rally, rules say "top the tank off", every state in the United States has big signs saying "do not top off". Some of the new cars won't allow you to do that, once they are shut off, they are shut off. This issue was discussed, and a question will be asked at National. The point was then made that in the previous rally, a member had a non-member as a navigator and that non-member never signed the waiver. Therefore, while the driver was given the points, should he have been disqualified because technically he didn't have a navigator. He was told that he will have to send this question in to Dale Samuelson for clarification.

Roger Flading had a question for Al regarding if the waivers are checked to make sure everyone signed. Al has to do that manually. He gets all the waivers and has to check them out. Therefore, that is why he is asking to have the registration forms as well as the waivers sent to him. The chairperson and co-chairperson are supposed to go over those items before they are sent to Al. This was discussed.

Terry Muich said they had talked about putting on a school for the Governors on how to enter information, proper sequence, etc. Terry asked what day after the first of the year would be good for the Governors to meet for this school. Dan Gallagher had also mentioned using an overhead projector to display this information. The date will be decided at the December meeting. Sending the registration sheets to Al was discussed. Terry Sells mentioned that he thought Governors were supposed to maintain registrations and waivers for three years. The reason Al is asking for the registrations as well as the waivers is due to a few issues he has run into during this year. Terry Muich said that we are all growing and learning with the computer system and that is why he wants to put on this school to help things run smoothly. Peggy Quine stated that club members are supposed to go to their Governor if there is a problem, question or correction. Al can only deal with the information the Governors send to him. Terry Muich stated that the flow chart for results in the computer system are supposed to be done by the chairpersons and they are supposed to check the results. They (chairpersons) enter the information and when they are done and have made sure everything is correct, they are supposed to send the information on to the Governor. The Governor is supposed to check it over and then send to the RCD. Then Al can enter it. The question was raised, how are the chairpersons going to get into the system. The answer was that they will have to get

together with their Governor. The chairpersons should take time to check registrations,

waivers, EO numbers, etc. Al mentioned that an option for the “school” for the Governors was after the Governors meeting at the banquet. Al’s final comment was that Cheryl told him that next year on the flyers it is not necessary to put that non-NCCC members are not covered by insurance. National said take it off the flyers. They will be covered for liability. NCCC insurance is liability only. The damage you do is covered. The damage inflicted on your vehicle is not. Any accidents must be reported within 72 hours on the form which is on the website. Legacy Insurance will review it and if they deem that it was total negligence on everyone’s part, and they have paid the claim, they will come after you to cover it. Terry Muich cited an example. The insurance is \$5 million for a year. This amount runs from January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup> and starts over again at the beginning of the year. The only claims that have been paid out this year were guard rail repairs at the Museum track. Various scenarios were discussed.

### **Treasurer - Peggy Stephens**

A motion was made, seconded and passed to suspend the reading of the Treasurer’s Report. Terry Muich asked Peggy for an explanation of the special Purpose Fund. Peggy did not know. Terry felt we need to find out what it is for.

Terry mentioned that Peggy had put in the money received for the autocross over the 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend and deducted the expenses. Overall we had an increase of \$704. However, Terry pointed that if you take out all the money we took in for the autocross, we lost \$144. And then, if you take out the fact that we got money for new members, we would have been \$220 lower yet. That is what we have been talking about with the budget, that membership and sanction fees alone are not maintaining our expenses. That is why Terry had Peggy put out three budgets. Also, the \$1,000 for the Jeanne Kutty Scholarship has not been taken out yet. Terry said he was asked where did all the money go. Well, we paid \$15,000 to the Museum and \$3,000 for the trailer. Going back to the Jeanne Kutty Scholarship Fund, there is nowhere where it says how it is funded, but it is paid out every year. Go back 5 years and that’s another \$5,000. So each year the balance will go lower and lower

Terry then spoke about sanctions, how some clubs are getting extra sanctions from other clubs. His thoughts about keeping the budget solvent are if we don’t want to raise sanction fees, maybe clubs can give the profit from one or two of those sanctions to the Region. He pointed that through the year with the day to day expenses, the head tax and the sanction fees are not covering things. What Terry did was take this quarter and we took in \$1,025.62 in sanction fees and made a profit of \$703.73, after expenses. In addition, we have the expenses for the National meeting. The Jeanne Kutty fund says we pay out \$1,000 per year to it, however in the Standing Rules it states that we must maintain \$2,000 in the fund. It must be maintained, so the \$1,000 which is paid out does not come from that fund, we pay an additional \$1,000. Therefore, if we have no other

expenses, after taking out the \$1,000 for the Jeanne Kutty fund in November, we will be down to \$13,763.05. The only designated, steady money we have coming in are the head

tax and the sanction fees. The competition awards are funded by the sanction fees, they go into the Competition Fund. The head tax goes into the General Fund. The Hall of Fame is funded by the 50/50 we sell at all Governors' meeting, plus one Region event. Terry feels that we are losing about \$2,000 per year. The biggest hits we have taken are the money for the Museum track, \$15,000 and then we bought a trailer for \$3,000. In four to five years, because the Jeanne Kutty Scholarship Fund has not been funded, that's another \$5,000.

Questions were raised about the Jeanne Kutty Fund, how it started, etc. Terry said that was long before he was here. It has been in existence for at least 16 years. Terry said he had spoken to Bob Kutty and explained our situation to him and he understands, in fact, he said he didn't even know how the fund got started. Bob said if we had to drop the fund, it would be okay with him. No one knows who this year's recipient was. It does go to an East Ohio Region recipient. Chuck Stephens asked if we want to vote on this, as the Governors were supposed to take this back to their clubs and get their feelings.

Elaine Heretta brought up the money for the Museum track, pointing out that at the Convention we took in approximately \$17,000 and paid \$15,000 for the acre, so that is basically a wash. Terry agreed that everyone had voted for it. Chuck Stephens pointed out that when he was RCD, the Region was getting 30 sanctions back per year and that has dried up. Terry went over the Budget copy where the head tax was raised to \$3.00 and by raising this just \$1.00 because we have more members, that \$1.00 covers the \$1,000, if we want to keep it in. Mike Getzy pointed that over time things change, and now maybe the Kutty Fund is not affordable for us and if Bob is okay with it, we can eliminate it. In the Standing Rules, the reason for having to maintain \$2,000 is if the Region becomes insolvent, there is funding for two years. Since we have a quorum, we can vote to suspend or eliminate this fund. The \$2,000 will stay in there. This year we will use \$1,000 to pay this year and next year \$1,000 and then we will be done with it. That is the biggest hit that Terry can see that is not funded. Mike pointed out that if someone wants to take up the task of fundraising for it, it could remain. Terry pointed out that we never know how much we are going to take in for our sanctioned events, due to weather and other factors. Terry's feeling is that if we are going to continue the Jeanne Kutty Fund, we can raise the head tax \$1.00 and put it in the Standing Rules how it is funded, the first \$1,000 out of that \$1.00 increase goes to the Jeanne Kutty Fund and the balance goes into the General Fund. Peggy Quine asked that if we don't want to do away with the Jeanne Kutty Fund, is there any way we could do it every other year. Terry was not sure, he would have to talk to National. Peggy pointed out that the amount that is given out can vary. Elaine Heretta pointed out that the amount used to be \$750 and Terry wondered how it got to be \$1,000. Elaine said that it had been raised over the years due to expenses. Terry again pointed out that as it stands now, we cannot touch the \$2,000 designated for this fund and we will have to take another \$1,000 out this year, essentially

dropping \$3,000 from our funds. Terry asked the Governors if they have any ideas for improving the budget, they should take it to their clubs and come back in December when we vote on it.

Chuck Stephens stated that he had brought up the increase of \$1.00 to his club and they were against the \$1.00 increase, because we will have to, in a few years, go back and ask for another increase. It was unanimous in his club to raise the head tax to \$5.00. Al Flanhofer said the same thing, his club was for voting to increase it to \$5.00. Terry pointed out that although Mickey Ouellette was not present, she had let him know that her club is against any increase in head tax. Each club has one vote, regardless of membership. Terry asked for a show of hands of who is for an increase and he asked the Governors to take the sample budgets back to their clubs and show the members how much more we can accomplish by this increase. He also mentioned increasing the sanction fees. We will have more money for the Competition Fund and for awards. Peggy Quine asked for clarification, saying at the last meeting we were proposing to raise the head tax to \$3.00 and now we are proposing to raise it to \$5.00 and what about the sanction fees? Discussion followed about these items. The budget will be voted on in December. The main thing Terry stressed was for the Governors to go back to their clubs and let them know the financial situation and get their feelings, so we can vote in December. Rich Brooks said that he didn't know about the other clubs who have a lot of members, but he needs to narrow down the choices to present to his club. Right now the proposal is to raise the head tax to \$5.00 which is a \$3.00 increase. Sue Hamilton pointed out that the head tax and sanction fees are two different things, since the sanction fees go to the Competition Fund. What she is pointing out is that you really are not helping the General Fund by increasing sanction fees, since this money does not go into this fund. Last year Competition was solvent.

Chuck Stephens pointed out that maybe we should go through this and vote on it so there is some continuity to take back to the clubs. His club voted to do away with the Jeanne Kutty Scholarship Fund. This would be after two years as it is in the Standing Rules that we are funded for two years. If the Governors know how their clubs feel, we should vote on it now. Mike Getzy made a motion to do away with the Jeanne Kutty Fund, Chuck Stephens seconded and the motion passed. Therefore the Standing Rules will be changed to eliminate the Jeanne Kutty Fund. The Region will give \$1,000 in November for the last time, and we will dispense with the Jeanne Kutty Fund starting in 2017.

Chuck Stephens made a motion to raise the head tax to \$5.00, Dan Gallagher seconded and motion passed. This will take effect in 2018. Peggy will do a budget with the \$5.00 head tax and eliminating the Jeanne Kutty Fund, and send it out to the Governors. Peggy pointed out that she is doing the budget for 2017, so basically it will stay as it and be voted on in December. Then in the Fall of 2017, the changes will show in the 2018

budget. Sanction fees are staying the same. Chuck Stephens made a motion that we do away with the Governors' subsidy, however, Terry pointed out that this was already taken care of at the last meeting.

Cheryl Getzy asked if we are encouraging our Governors to ask their clubs to give some portion of their sanction back to the Region. Terry said that if we want to have any extras, i.e. chili cook-off, etc., then yes it would be nice if they did give back a sanction. This could apply to the larger clubs, not the smaller ones who do not put on a lot of sanctioned events. We can't force this, it is only a request.

### **Old Business**

Terry is still gathering information for the IRS to make us compliant. There is no penalty as of yet. Regarding the Chosen Few, he hasn't heard anything back from them about joining NCCC.

We now need to vote in the RCD and the RMD, because we were supposed to have nominations in by the third meeting and vote on them at the last.

**(we vote on officers at the next to the last meeting of the year, and nominate officers at the meeting before that. I asked governors to E-Mail me nominations for RCD,RMD)**

Terry emailed everyone and had them vote on line. Al Flanhofer was voted in as RCD and Cheryl Getzy was voted in as RMD. These offices are for two years.

The chili cook-off was moved to October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Fred DeGordon made presentation regarding the Ohio Western Reserve National Cemetery in Rittman, Ohio. He would like to set up a fund for a monument for Corvette owners who have served their country. This would be a permanent monument to honor all Corvette owners who have served in the military past and present. He is asking each club to ask their members to donate. This money will not be out of the budget, it will be strictly donations. Fred presented a packet which gave a brief overview of the cemetery, a hand drawn idea for the monument and several other options for the monument. He suggested Peggy could set up a separate fund for this project. He spoke to the people there and they can't move forward until they get a commitment from him. He would like to keep the cost between \$4,000 and \$6,500. There will also be delivery charges. If the cost is under \$3,000 they can approve it locally, if it is under \$5,000 it goes to St. Louis and if it is over \$5,000 it has to be approved on the Federal level. Fred explained the cemetery. Fred passed around several photos which he took at the cemetery. Fred can't move forward until he gets the Region's approval. Anything over \$6,000, Fred would like to do two monuments, one at the Vietnam Cemetery. Terry told the Governors to take this proposal back to their clubs and ask for their donations. Fred needs to know ASAP because if we get over \$5,000 he needs to get Federal approval from Washington DC. Terry felt that realistically this could be accomplished by April 2018, not April 2017. However, if we get the money sooner, we can act sooner. If each club gives \$500, we will make the \$6,000, however, some of the smaller clubs may not have this much to

donate. This, however, is not limited to club donations, you can certainly make a personal donation. The monument will be in the Memorial Gardens. They do full



military services at the cemetery.

### **By-Law Changes**

We need to read the changes proposed by the By-Law Committee which consists of Terry Muich, Dan Gallagher and Mickey Ouellette.

**(the by-law committee reviewed and OK'd the By-law changes)**

Chuck Stephens will read the by-law changes so they are noted in the minutes and we will be voting on them at the December meeting.

### ARTICLE VI Officers

Section 1: Currently: The officers of the Region shall be the Regional Executive (R.E.), the Regional Competition Director (R.C.D.), and the Regional Membership Director (R.M.D.)

**Proposed**: The officers of the Region shall be the Regional Executive (R.E.), the Regional Competition Director (R.C.D.), the Regional Membership Director (R.M.D.), the Secretary and the Treasurer. (Date of Change??)

Section 2: This is a rather lengthy section, but the only change is in the following:  
**(example your name could go on the ballot in June 2005 so between June 2004 and June 2006.**

**Proposed**: 2006 would change to 2005. (Date of Change?)

### Section 3: Term of Office

Current: A. The RCD and the RMD shall be elected in even years for a two- year term.

**Proposed**: The RCD, the RMD and the Secretary shall be elected in even years for a two- year term. (Date of Change??)

Current: B. The RE shall be elected in odd years for a two- year term.

**Proposed**: B. The RE and the Treasurer shall be elected in odd years for a two- year term. (Date of Change?)

### Section 5: Removal and filling of Vacancies

Current: B. The replacement of the RCD or the RMD, who has resigned or vacated their position, shall be immediately replaced by appointment by the Regional Executive with the approval of the Regional Governors at the next regularly scheduled Regional meeting. The replacement of the Regional Executive, who has resigned or vacated the position, shall be replaced by appointment by the RCD who assumes the duties of the Regional Executive until the appointment is confirmed by a majority vote of the Regional Governors.

**Proposed**: The replacement of the RCD, the RMD, the Secretary or the Treasurer, who has resigned or vacated their position, shall be immediately replaced by appointment by

the Regional Executive with the approval of the Regional Governors at the next regularly scheduled Regional meeting. The replacement of the Regional Executive, who has

resigned or vacated the position, shall be replaced by appointment by the RCD who assumes the duties of the Regional Executive until the appointment is confirmed by a majority vote of the Regional Governors. (Date of Change??)

#### Section 6: Duties of Officers

Current: D. No sentence at this time.

**Proposed:** D. SECRETARY: The Secretary or approved appointee shall attend meetings of the East Ohio Region and shall record and maintain the minutes of those proceedings. The Secretary shall mail/E-Mail the minutes to the Governors of all recognized clubs and officers in the Region. (Date of Change??)

Current: E. No Sentence at this time.

**Proposed:** E. Treasurer: The Treasurer shall keep an account of all monies received and expended by the East Ohio Region. She/He shall deposit all sums received in a bank, banks or trust companies approved by the Regional Governors and present a financial report at each regional meeting with copies for all governors and officers. The Treasurer shall chair the Finance Committee in preparing the annual regional operating budget. Budget to be presented by the third meeting of the year to be voted upon at the fourth meeting of the year. (Date of Change??)

#### Section 7: Appointed Officers

Current: A. SECRETARY: The Secretary/Treasurer shall attend meetings of the East Ohio Region and shall record and maintain the minutes of those proceedings. The Secretary shall mail/E-Mail the minutes to the Governors of all recognized clubs and officers in the Region.

The Secretary/Treasurer shall keep an account of all monies received and expended by the East Ohio Region. She/He shall deposit all sums received in a bank, banks or trust companies approved by the Regional Governors and present a financial report at each regional meeting. The Treasurer shall chair the Finance Committee in preparing the annual regional operating budget.

**Proposed:** Appointed Officers.

Delete current A. Secretary:

Current: B. EAST OHIO REGION COMPETITION PROGRAMS DIRECTOR

**Proposed:** A. EAST OHIO REGION COMPETITION PROGRAMS DIRECTOR: The East Ohio Region Competition Programs Director is generally responsible for the execution of the East Ohio Region's Championship Series Program, Most Valuable Participant Program, and the Event Workers Program established by the Region. The E.O.R.C.P. Director shall present the current individual standings in each East Ohio Competition Program listed above at each regional meeting. The E.O.R.C.P. Director

may present new programs and/or rules or the various East Ohio Region competition programs listed above at Regional meetings prior to the final meeting of the year. Proposed changes shall be voted on at the final meeting of the year. (Date of Change??)

Current: D. Webmaster:

**Proposed:** B. Webmaster: The Webmaster shall be responsible for all matters concerning the East Ohio Region website, and will work directly with the Board of Governors to ensure that the membership is kept informed of matters of concern to the Region. (Date of Change??)

#### ARTICLE XIII Amendments

Section 1: These Bylaws (**By-Laws**) may be amended, repealed or altered in whole, or in part, by the regional (**Regional**) Board of Governors. All motions to amend these Bylaws (**By-Laws**) shall be first presented no later than the third scheduled meeting of the calendar year for the Region. Motions to amend these Bylaws (**By-Laws**) shall be voted upon, by written ballot, at the last Regional meeting of the year. (Date of Change??)

Section 2: A two thirds (2/3) majority vote of all clubs in good standing in the Region shall be necessary to pass any such motion for amendment.

Terry Muich summed up by saying that basically we are moving to elect the Secretary and Treasurer and because we just elected the RCD and RMD today, this basically will not take effect until the fall of 2017, if its approved. The rest of the changes are just verbiage and clarification of duties. Rich Brooks asked if we have to put in something regarding the E.O.R.C.P. position to the effect of “if there is one”. Terry said no and also asked everyone to bear in mind that the E.O.R.C.P. and Webmaster positions are appointed positions. Tim Obert is the Webmaster. We have not appointed an E.O.R.C.P. Terry asked the Governors to take these changes back to their clubs and we will be voting on them in December.

12:00 Break for lunch orders.

Regarding awards, Terry would like to put the list of awards in the Standard Operating Procedures so it is available to anyone who needs it. Motion made, seconded and passed to put these in the Standard Operating Procedures.

1:00 Break for Lunch

#### **Banquet**

Technically, we should now actually be talking about and taking bids for 2018. 2017 should already have been decided. The question is do we want to have a banquet for 2016, to be held in 2017. Chuck Stephens said his club had voted to have a breakfast. Rich Brooks commented that he thought there was a third option of a brunch, and Terry said that was considered the breakfast option. A show of hands was called for for those

who wanted to have a brunch at the March meeting. The vote was three. A show of hands was called for those who wanted to have a sit down dinner. The vote was seven. Chuck Stephens talked about drinks at the banquet. Ray Valentine commented that his club used to provide drinks and several people took advantage of. He suggested

everyone paying for their own drinks. The manner for providing beer and wine at the last banquet was discussed.

Sue Hamilton has offered to take over putting on the banquet. She has two quotes, one from the Clarion on Rt. 8 at the Turnpike and one from the Galaxy with the Comfort Inn next door. The Comfort Inn has had major renovation. The Comfort Inn's regular room rate is \$89.95, and Sue has gotten them to agree to \$82.00. Sue's concern is that this is a Regional event and she is not going to foot the bill for it. While members pay for their own meals, there are other expenses which will be incurred, so Sue needs to have an idea of what the Region is going to donate. There was no charge for the DJ's services last year, however, we paid for his meal and hotel room. There will be the speaker and we will have to pay for his meal and room and possibly a spouse's meal. There may be a charge for the meeting room depending on where we go. The cost for the meeting room would be approximately \$125. We will also have to provide centerpieces, probably about 15, we need tickets for door prizes, hopefully the clubs will provide the door prizes. Sue and Terry have talked about the Region providing soda and water and make it BYOB. We can bring in our own beer, wine, etc. and our own food for the hospitality room. At the banquet they will insist on a cash bar. Sue again asked what the Region would be willing to give her as a budget. In the past it was \$750 and last year it was \$700. She will try to stay within the budget. We could possibly have a club volunteer to do centerpieces. Sue thinks perhaps Buckeye will do centerpieces. However, Sue stressed that she and Steve are doing this on their own, not as a club, and therefore she will have a little more control.

It was suggested that the Galaxy may have centerpieces, but Sue says they will charge for us to use them. The Galaxy now has a \$4,000 minimum for their meals. Sue will try to negotiate that out of the contract. The Comfort Inn has a new banquet room that will hold up to 120. In the past we have had close to that. They have a \$2,000 minimum, however, Sue feels that we may go over the maximum number of people. There is a Banquet Committee consisting of TR Aldrich, Terry Muich, and Ron Sommer. Sue has been in touch with them as well. Sue does have food prices from the Clarion, and the prices depend on what is ordered. The contract has to be signed within two weeks. She has already had them hold 30 rooms. Sue read some of the food prices, various chicken dishes at \$20.00. Pastas are around \$19.00 to \$20.00. Both hotels have good complimentary breakfasts. She would like to keep the food prices about what they were last year. Terry recommends the Governors go back to their members and let him know a tentative head count. The date is the first weekend in March, so it would be Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup>. To bottom line is, Sue needs an idea of what the Region will spend.

The Hall of Fame was mentioned and it was stated that they are funded by the 50/50 drawings at the Governors meetings and the Chili Cook-Off. They do have 50/50 at the banquet and it goes to the Hall of Fame. The Hall of Fame pays for their own awards. Various membership and special awards come out of the General Fund, so they will not be an expense for the banquet. It is in the Standing Rules that the first place club is

supposed to handle the hospitality room. A motion was made to approve \$750 for banquet expenses, seconded and passed. There are guidelines regarding the banquet and the way they are written is that the banquet is not expected to make money, but it is not supposed to cost the Region money. The \$750 figure has been on the books for years for incidentals. What we charge for the meals are what the meals cost the Region with tax and gratuity added in. It was generally felt that the meal prices were reasonable. It was suggested to round up the meal price to cover expenses. Getting the alcohol and beer was discussed. The Governors were asked to get some idea of a head count from their members with September 28<sup>th</sup> as a cutoff date. The only problem with the Galaxy was that there is the \$4,000 minimum for meals. Sue will try to get that out of the contract. The meal cost will be approximately \$30.00, with taxes and gratuities. Terry pointed out that right now we are supposed to be having a club volunteering to do the banquet for 2018. There is supposed to be a tentative agreement for this. Joyce from Corvette Cleveland is helping Sue so she can learn and perhaps Corvette Cleveland will do the banquet next year. Right now, we need to have an idea of how many people will be attending so we know which room to go with. If Sue can get them to negotiate the \$4,000 figure out, then attendance is not an issue. Basically, the priority now is to get a head count. Sue has held 30 rooms at both places and the hospitality rooms at both places.

Sue has talked to Ted Vanelli about a speaker and Fred DeGordon has volunteered to speak about the monument he is working on. She is also taking suggestions for speakers.

Dan Gallagher reported that at the next meeting we will be bidding for sanction events for 2017. He is asking each club to reserve an event for Track X which we will be putting on in September. There are 10 sanctions to work with for each club and Dan asks that if everyone can hold one to work with for September 15, 2017. Terry Muich said that hopefully we will have something locked in by December. They have been talking about having 7 Funkhana events next to the track while the events are going on the track. The rules say you can have two events going on at the same time as long as they are dissimilar events. So, as long as we don't have the funkhana and car shows on the track, they can be going on at the same time. So we may be able to have 14 events, including low speed, funkhana and car shows. These events were discussed as they are money for the Region. This will be looked into. Mike Getzy said he got a price of \$99.00 for rooms at a nearby hotel. Mike will check into this.

Terry talked about National changing their charity and they had some money left they hadn't given them and didn't pay taxes and this fund was audited and now they are fighting the IRS. NCCC has a different tax ID number and they are tax compliant right now, it is the charity fund that is being looked at.

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The newsletter competition was discussed. The rules will be published November 16, 2017 and clubs can begin submitting their newsletter as of March, 2017.

Regarding Bowling Green for National Convention, registration is not open yet. They are hoping to have registration open by February, 2017. Terry doesn't have the dates yet.

There is a bid for New Orleans for 2018 and Terry has information with him regarding this. It is a proposal that the club wants to do for July, 2018. Pros and cons of this location were discussed. The point was made that is difficult for teachers and families with children to go to Convention in August. This was discussed.

Cheryl brought up about renewals and had a question about who can bid for the Convention with regard to the deadline for renewals.

The Members Only website was mentioned. They have a new password. Your Id is your EO number, the password is NCCCMember (case sensitive) and the User Name is no83corvette.

**(not sure we want the password put out in the minutes being as how they are posted on line. How about if you say we discussed the new password, and any-one that needs it, contact me (Terry Muich) and I will get it to them so we do not put it out on line)**

Governors were reminded that if there are any accidents you need to report, you need to go on the website and fill out the form.

The Governors should be aware that you go on line to vote for the officers and the By-Law changes. The dates for this are October 1-October 31<sup>st</sup>. This is on the Governors' website.

In talking with Walt Jenkins and Dave Heinemann, right now all the R.E.'s are allowed to send out mass mailings, so please make sure all your members have their proper address on file. This way Terry can get pertinent information out to all Governors, if he sends it to Walt Jenkins. For instance, information on the banquet, the schooling for the Governors, etc.

NCCC officers will be voted on in November. These include Dave Heinemann, Denny Luther, and Steve Johnson. The Governors will also be voting on the Parliamentarian, along with the By-Law changes which should be on the website. There are 7 of them.

### **New Business**

Doug Lawrentz asked if he could request a specific date for his car show next year, July 23<sup>rd</sup>. They had a problem with the car show date last year. Chuck Stephens said that some of this stemmed from clubs like his, who put on a special show (Longaberger) and they are at the mercy of the Longaberger Co. However, you can request a date, but it is only a request, there is no guarantee you will get the date you request. Similar to Vettemillion, who has to set this up with the city. What has historically been done is you submit the request to the Competition Director and he will post it and hopefully before the December meeting, so the sooner you request it, the sooner it can be posted and not have a conflict with other clubs. The requests still go in order. But usually, the clubs can work it out among themselves.

Elaine Heretta asked all the Governors to check their members addresses to prevent the Blue Bars being returned as this is quite costly and they will not be forwarded. So when

the renewals are done, please check the addresses, as well as those “snow birds” who have their mail forwarded, because the post office does not forward second class mail. Elaine has sent emails to the Governors letting them know which ones have come back. Like signing up for an event, it is the member’s responsibility to make sure the information is correct as it is entered in the database.

### **Hall of Fame Warren Obert**

Regarding the By-Laws, the timeline is at the 3<sup>rd</sup> regular meeting of the year, nominations are open. Warren passed out nomination forms. On the timeline, it says that the nominations will close at the October meeting, we don’t have an October meeting, so they will probably close in December. All these guidelines are on the website. The online book for the Hall of Fame is in much need of updating, as some data and information has never been entered. Elaine Obert is trying to update the book and they have questions for some of the clubs as they need some information to bring the book up to date. Warren will talk to the various clubs to try to fill in some gaps. Terry thanked Warren & Elaine for offering to help Mickey with this information. The question was asked who nominates candidates. The Governors do and it is sent back to Mickey. She wants it put in a blank envelope and then put that in another envelope. She wants the nominations to remain anonymous. On line, there is a list of requirements. Standing Rules and By-Laws that cover this are on line.

### **Round Table**

Al Flanhofer, Corvette Cleveland. Al had nothing to report.

Chuck Stephens, Kanawha Valley. They have locked in June 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> for Longaberger. He asked how many people attended the Convention. Approximately 400-500 people.

Mike Getzy, Competition Corvettes. Nothing to report

Doug Lawrentz, Mahoning Valley Corvettes. Nothing to report.

Terry Sells, Buckeye Corvettes. Terry mentioned the Convention in Omaha.

Peggy Quine, Tiretown Corvettes. Mentioned their car show next Saturday.

Rich Brooks, Medina Corvette. Medina was the only club that did a concours and as far as he can tell, they are the only ones that did a rally and they have another one coming up on the 25<sup>th</sup>. He thinks that 2017 will probably be the last year for a concours, because he had nothing but complaints.

Dan Gallagher, Mid-Ohio Corvettes. Dan has the 50/50 tickets. Mid-Ohio is having their last event on October 8<sup>th</sup> at Chevy of Wooster. There will be special awards, free food, music, and dash plaques. They will have two tickets for entrants, one for the barbecue and one for door prizes.

TJ Aldrich, North East Ohio Vettes. Nothing to report.

Roger Flading spoke about the concours and how most people don't know how to judge and what is being judged.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ryki Woods  
Secretary 2016