

Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting Wed September 14, 2016

7:00pm @ Box Bar and Grill, Plymouth, MI

Attendees:

Pat Barber, Jennifer Glass, John Jareo, Jennifer Merideth, Eric Penn, Ken Wiedbusch, Sue Wiedbusch, Greg Anthony, Aaron Usher, Brian Thorpe, Matt Wolfe, Steve Balanecki, Jeremiah Mauricio, Mike Nienhuis, John Lisiecki.

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Pat Barber, RE

1. August meeting minutes approval

Minutes were approved online.

2. Current Business and Online Business

October Rallycross budget received only 5 votes online and was passed unanimously in the meeting.

3. Reports

a. Rallycross (JJ)

i. Rallycross #8 is at Thistle Hill Farm this weekend.

b. Solo (JM)

- Great Lakes Divisional, held at Wurtsmith AFB, Oscoda on August 5-7, went well.
- c. Solo Nationals were held at Lincoln, NE on September 2 7.

There were 1287 drivers entered, including 40 drivers from the Detroit Region! When rain intervened, officials threw out all the dry runs leading to protests. Phil Mitchel, a rookie, came 2nd in H Street, losing by only 4/100 second!

d. Asst. RE (MN)

i. Looking at having the Banquet at "One Under Craft Beer & Eats" in Livonia. Cost is \$25 per dinner, less than previous venues. Discussion on whether to have an open bar as opposed to a cash bar – no conclusion.

e. RE. (PB)

i. Nothing to report

f. Treasurer (JG)

- i. End of August cash was ~ \$152k, up \$8k, not including Grattan Majors Race income.
- ii. Whereabouts of vehicle titles not immediately known. PB to look in his files.

g. Membership report (SB)

- i. In August we had 1,457 members, in September we have 1425 members, down 32, but with 18 new and 50 non-renewals. Non-renewals forfeit their worker points.
- ii. 9 Service Awards were mailed at the beginning of the month.

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h. Equipment (KW)

- i. Equipment damaged by wind at the aborted Ohio Rallycross was repaired.
- ii. Empire Hill Climb KW will tow the Rallycross Trailer with his car.

i. Open Exhaust (BT)

i. The Summer Issue was e-mailed using Constant Contact with a 40% open rate.

j. Street Survival (EP)

- i. Next event on Sep 24 at Fowlerville.
- ii. 15 students are registered. We can have up to 30.
- iii. We have 16 volunteers.

k. Website

i. No updates.

l. Race

i. No report

m. Rally (KW)

A full report from John Fishbeck is in Appendix A attached.

Briefly:

i. Press On Regardless rally

This year's running of Press On Regardless was the most successful in recent years. A total of 21 teams entered and competed, with 19 teams making it to the end.

The event is expected to make a small profit.

ii. Clare Color Tour rally

David Stone's Clare Color Tour rally will be held on Saturday, October 1.

The event sanction request has been submitted to SCCA Nat'l HQ. Registrar Mary Shiloff created and opened up the event registration page on MotorSportsReg.com.

iii. Pavement Ends rally

Cancelled.

4. New Business

a. Event Budgets

- i. Rallycross
 - Day/nite at Oakshade budget; motion to approve, Jeremiah Mauricio, 2nd, Jen Meredith, unanimously approved.

ii. Solo

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 Season Ender at MIS, October 9 budget; a calculation error was corrected; motion to approve with corrections, Eric Penn, 2nd Jen Meredith, unanimously approved.

b. Board of Director Election

- i. End of Term: John Lisiecki, Jennifer Glass; Term Limited: Patrick Barber, Eric Penn.
- ii. Nominations to be received by September 30.
- iii. October 22 is the deadline for members to receive completed ballots, which must be returned to the Secretary by November 7.

5. AOB

- **a.** Matt W. "Back Roads Tour" will be held on October 8. This is a social tour, no sanction is required, but contact Deena at SCCA for an insurance certificate.
- **b.** John L. Michigan Turn Marshals has a new President, Lynn Bertin.
- c. M1 Concourse is contracting workers for Track Days.
- d. The next Solo event is a charity event.
- e. Ken W. suggested we contract out the job of preparing a new website.
- **f.** Need to decide who wins which awards to be given out at the banquet.

6. October Meeting Date and Location

Next meeting will be at the Box Bar & Grille, Plymouth, MI on Wednesday October 12 at 7:00pm.

7. Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 8:13pm.

Attached are budgets discussed at the meeting.

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Appendix A – September Rally Report, John Fishbeck

Sadly, I must report that I will again be absent for this month's DR SCCA BoD meeting. After running POR bride (and navi) Laurie and I have proceeded up north for a vacation, so I will not be able to make it down to Plymouth for the meeting. This does not mean, however, that I have been negligent in my responsibilities as Rally Director. Find below my report for this month. Either of you can update the board members accordingly - or perhaps you can tag team, or perhaps read the report in unison and two part harmony. Whatever works...

Press On Regardless rally

This year's running of Press On Regardless, the 67th running of this historic and tradition filled rally, was the most successful in recent years. A total of 21 teams entered and competed, with 19 teams making it to the end. Bruce Fisher did his usual outstanding job of putting on an excellent and challenging TSD rally, traversing nearly 370 miles of gnarly roads at an entertaining pace through the woods of northeastern lower peninsula Michigan. All who ran gave the event high marks.

Press On Regardless overall winners were:

- Scott Harvey Jr./Rob Moran, 1st overall and 1st Equipped, with just 16 points over 35 controls (avg less than 0.05 minutes error per leg!)
- Nathan and Aaron Usher, 1st Limited and 2nd overall, with just 17 points! Incredible performance!
- Adam Spieszny/Piotr Roszczenko, 1st Stock with 247 points
- Ryan Vindua/Tristan Koivisto, 1st Novice with 797 points

A special shout out goes to brothers Jim and Jerry White, who with this running have competed in 22 consecutive PORs! A remarkable achievement.

I posted a number of photos and comments on the Region's Facebook page and in the DR SCCA road rally message forum. Many FB 'likes' and forum comments. All in all a very successful and well received Press On Regardless!

POR chairman/rallymaster Fisher surely won't have had a chance to update the event financials in time for this meeting, but I'm confident when we do see them, most likely at next month's board meeting, we'll see that he more than covered his expenses, with a surplus remaining, given the excellent number of entries.

Clare Color Tour rally

Next event on the DR SCCA road rally calendar is David Stone's Clare Color Tour rally, to be held

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on Saturday, October 1. This will be a fine event, covering some 220 miles in Clare, Osceola, Lake, and Mecosta counties. With any luck the weather will cooperate and competitors will be treated to fall colors while competing.

The event sanction request has been submitted to SCCA Nat'l HQ. Registrar Mary Shiloff created and opened up the event registration page on MotorSportsReg.com. I've created an event for the rally on the Region's Facebook page, and also created a posting in the Region's website road rally message forum. We're looking forward to enjoying another successful and fun Clare Color Tour TSD rally.

Pavement Ends rally

Regrettably, the Pavement Ends rally is cancelled for this year. Due to a number of personal factors chairman and rallymaster Aaron Usher is simply unable to make the time to put on the rally this year. At one point I had considered that perhaps I could pick this up, but that just did not work out. Aaron believes that next year things will be much calmer and he'll be able to resume the event. If he can't then I will consider picking it up, or perhaps I can co-chair with Aaron to help him out and ease the enormous workload of organizing a TSD rally.

Regards, John

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