Detroit Region SCCA



March 14, 2011

Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting March 9, 2011 Courthouse, Plymouth, MI

Attendees:

Jennifer Glass, Pat Barber, Bob Martin, Brian Thorpe, Bob Pierson, Ray Jason, Aaron Usher, Scott Harvey, Eric Penn, Nathan Usher, Jennifer Merideth, Brian Sumeracki.

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm.

1. Current Business

- **a.** Online approvals February BOD Meeting Minutes approved.
- **b.** Hal Goff donation of \$250 to Cancer Charity was proposed by Bob Pierson, seconded by Ray Jason, unanimous.
- c. By-laws Pat Barber suggested, for next meetings agenda, a discussion on By-Law changes to allow assistance to Treasurer.

2. Reports

a. Race

- i. Spring Training Seminar, just completed, was not very professional and needs more planning.
- ii. PDX planned for June 10. Entry fee was increased from \$125 to \$150, which is still considered to be a bargain. The registration form will be on the website within the next two weeks.

b. Solo

- i. On Feb 26, we were approached by MSCC regarding a Belle Isle gate, which was knocked off its hinges. This did not occur at an event and was probably vandalism. SCCA and MSCC were asked by the City of Detroit to share the repair cost. Ray Jason will liaise with MSCC and the City of Detroit to determine the cost. Then a decision will be made as to DRSCCA s response.
- **c. Rally** Nothing to report.
- **d.** Rallycross Nothing to report.

e. Treasurer

- i. Solo budget was changed, reducing loss to around \$5000.
- ii. There was concern over the 2011 P and L Budget showing a loss of \$10,193. Discussion included: The economy gas prices, jobs etc reduce income, which should increase as the economy improves; Expenses need to keep under control.

f. Assistant RE

- i. Membership Meeting at 7pm on Wednesday, March 23, at the Automotive Hall of Fame.
- **g. Equipment** Nothing to report.

h. Membership

- i. There were 1088 members, up 2.
- ii. Worker points

Discussion on switching worker points to another region was disputed due to the following from the Region Policies:

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- D. Worker points will only be awarded to Region members who maintain continuous membership in the Detroit Region of SCCA.
- iii. It was suggested that we charge \$5 for weekend memberships at Schools and FSAE, considering that SCCA National reduces the membership fee by \$15 if they join. This is seen as a way to encourage new members. Note: *This was discussed later but seems to fit here.*
- **i. Website** Nothing to report.

3. New Business

- **a.** Open Exhaust will be rushed to printer to try to have available at the Membership Meeting in March.
- **b.** Event Budgets
 - i. Solo
 - 1. Solo School (April 28, 2011). Note that there are neither worker points nor lunches in the budget. Classroom session is reduced from 4 to 2 hours. Approve Bob Martin, second Bob Pierson, unanimous.
 - 2. Season Opener (May 1, 2011). Approve Bob Martin, second Bob Pierson, unanimous.
 - ii. Rallycross

Rites of Spring (May 21, 2011). Take out \$45 for marking paint and move to Rallycross supplies since it lasts several events. New surplus is \$72. Approve Bob Martin, second Bob Pierson, unanimous.

iii. Rally.

POR. Approve Bob Martin, second Brian Sumeraki, unanimous. Aaron Usher to discuss with Bruce Fisher whether sponsorship money was omitted from the budget.

iv. PDX

Online approval is being sought for this budget.

- **c.** Electric Car solo Nothing to report.
- **d.** Impala Club

They want a lot near the Dream Cruise. Silverdome is \$2500 and may be too much.

- **e.** Street Survival Eric Penn will chair the Street Survival Event at the Fowlerville Proving Grounds to be held some time in the fall.
- **f.** Secretary inquired about adding approved budgets to the minutes. It was felt this is too public and they would be better on the BoD restricted forum.
- g. Jen Meredith wants to open a Twitter account for DRSCCA. Approved by all.
- **h.** Jen M. suggested using Motorsportreg.com for event registration since it is cheaper than MAE, and SCCA National prefers it. We will try it for one event and if successful, use it for all.

4. April Meeting Location

Brian Sumeraki has reserved Jimmy's Tavern (aka National Coney Island) at 30140 Van Dyke Warren, from 6:30 to 10:30pm on April 13.

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5. Adjourn 9:05pm