

National Council of Corvette Clubs, West Region

Minutes of West Region Meeting held in St. Louis, MO

May 5, 2018

Those in attendance included: Gary Foster, RE (Corvette Club of Iowa); Gary Brisbois, RCD (Cornhusker Corvette Club); Bob Williams, Governor (Boone Trail Corvette Club); Garland Groom, RMD (Cedar Rapids Corvette Club); Sheila Wyman, Governor (Corvette Club of Iowa); Jonathan Brown, Governor (Cornhusker Corvette Club); Teresa Eller, guest (Cornhusker Corvette Club); Linda Hommer, guest (Corvette Club of Iowa); Mike Finley, guest (Cedar Rapids Corvette Club).

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by West Region Regional Executive, Gary Foster.

Regional Executive (RE) Meeting Report:

- The RE's are responsible for the review of the national By-Laws and Standing Rules. The Standing Rules were reviewed at the meeting last night and a few semantic changes were discussed.
- The national level finance report was discussed. Membership cards costs were around \$29,000. These reports will not be posted to the "Members Only" page on the National Council of Corvette Clubs website any longer.
- The charity raffle of a Corvette has been discontinued, but a signed guitar was donated as a raffle prize. Those who bought tickets for the car may 1) put those tickets toward the guitar raffle, 2) ask for a refund or 3) donate the cost of the tickets to St Jude.
- Convention currently has 411 registered to attend. In order to break even, there needed to be 400 registered, so that goal has been met.
- Dave Heinemann discussed changing the national meetings to three times a year instead of the current four. There was much discussion at the officer meetings on the pros and cons of this suggestion.
- Blue Bars will no longer publish the drag records. The records will be on the National Council of Corvette Clubs website only. Blue Bars will be mailed next week.
- The hospitality room for this Governors meeting was hosted by the West Region.
- Currently there are 18 applications for a national level scholarship.

Secretary's Report:

- Minutes of the last meeting were emailed to all the Governors by Gary Foster.
- There were no additions or corrections.
- Motion made by Bob Williams to approve the minutes; 2nd by Garland Groom; **the motion was approved.**

Treasurer's Report:

- The RE presented the information provided by the Treasurer, Ron Bockerman. Since the last Governors meeting, there were deposits of \$4,486.51; withdrawals of \$4,746.68 leaving a balance of \$20,383.90. Since January 1, 2018, the Treasury overall balance has dropped between \$250 and \$300.
- The RE stated that he would send out the Treasury report to the Officers and Governors prior to the next meeting so there would be time for review.

- There was discussion on whether or not the current report format is adequate for a Treasurer report. It was noted that there is not a breakdown of funds and current fund balances between the competition fund, the general fund and the scholarship fund. The RE will converse with the Treasurer and get a breakdown of monies in each fund.
- Since the report did not show the breakdown of the three separate funds, Garland Groom made a motion that the Treasury report be tabled until the funds can be identified individually; 2nd by Bob Williams; **the motion was approved.**

Regional Competition Director (RCD) Meeting Report:

- There will be 1/8 mile record drags held in Onawa, NE on July 29, 2018.
- The C7, ZR1 will be in class "N" for both low and high speed at the present time.
- Proposed changes to the 2019/2020 rule book were discussed. The RCD's decided that Group II tires must be DOT approved and that there must be at least 2 competing cars in a group in order to earn the extra points for a group win.

Regional Membership Director (RMD) Meeting Report:

- There is a new approved membership application on the national website that is dated 2018. Club membership applications need to be dated 2018 and include all information that is on the national membership application.
- Clubs can adapt the national application form to fit their individual club use but they cannot delete any of the information that is on the national application.
- Membership now exceeds 18,000 members nationally.

New Business:

- The RE noted that the scholarship committee needs to be appointed. A motion that Diane Bowen be appointed Chairperson and she appoint her committee members was made by Sheila Wyman; 2nd by Bob Williams; **the motion was approved.**
- Discussion was initiated on how to fund the scholarship program in future years. The RE stated that he thought it would be in the best interest of the Region to have a scholarship account that was fully funded and to not overspend that account leaving no monies for the following year. A motion was made by Garland Groom to award a maximum of three \$500 scholarships yearly AND to amend the Operating Rules and Procedures, Dues #1 beginning in calendar year 2019 to read "each club in WR shall pay \$1.00 per NCCC member of their club annually, by last day of November, to the Regional Membership Director with .50 cents going to the Scholarship Fund and .50 cents to General Fund."; 2nd by Sheila Wyman; **the motion was approved with one "No" vote via email.**
- The RE initiated general discussion on how to improve the Governor attendance at the West Region Governor meetings. After discussion and finding no immediate solution, it was decided to leave meetings on the current schedule.
- West Region Governor meetings will begin at 9:00 AM unless otherwise deemed necessary by the RE.
- The RE initiated discussion on the care and custody of regional corporate property. After discussion by the Governors, it was determined that the Region currently has no corporate property and this statement be included in the minutes of this meeting.
- The RE initiated discussion on the handling of the proxy Governor votes. After discussion by the Governors, it was determined to make no changes to the current handling of proxy votes.

- Linda Hommer stated that the 2017 West Region tax form 990N has been filed with the IRS. There was an expense of \$39.95 associated with this filing that was paid by Jay Hommer. She asked that Jay be reimbursed for this region expense. Garland Groom made a motion to reimburse Jay Hommer for this expense; 2nd by Bob Williams; **the motion was approved.** Jay will forward a copy of the expense receipt to Ron Bockerman (West Region Treasurer) for reimbursement.
- Linda Hommer also stated that Jay Hommer is currently filing the Biennial Report for the West Region with the Iowa Secretary of State and is designated as the “Registered Office/Agent” for the West Region per the Articles of Incorporation. She made a request to the Governors as follows: 1) that Jay Hommer be designated as the West Region Registered Office/Agent and that this designation be in writing somewhere for future reference. She also stated that as the Registered Office/Agent, Jay would be willing to file the yearly West Region 990N tax return that is required to maintain the tax exempt organization status of the West Region. Garland Groom made a motion to this effect with the additional comment that these statements be placed the Operating Rules and Procedures as Appendix B; 2nd by Bob Williams; **the motion was approved.**
- The RE recommended that the By-Laws and Operating Rules and Procedures of the West Region be reviewed. It was determined that all Governors present meet at 8:00 AM prior to the next Governor meeting and complete a review.
- The topic of waivers was discussed. It was determined by the Governors to make no changes to the procedures clubs in the West Region are currently employing.
- Jonathan Brown reminded everyone that the Cornhusker Corvette Club is hosting a weekend event on October 20 and 21, 2018 that is a funding raising event for the West Region scholarship fund. Lunch will be available at the event. He encouraged everyone to go back to their membership and point out the need for participants and workers if this event is to be a successful fund raiser.

Old Business:

- No old business was presented

At 10:31 AM Garland Groom made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Bob Williams; **the meeting was adjourned.**

Respectfully Submitted by
Linda Hommer, Acting Regional Secretary