

NCCC WEST REGION MEETING MINUTES
November 11, 2006

Regional Executive Jay Hommer called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

The following officers were present: RE Jay Hommer, RCD Tim Bailey, RMD Diane Bowen, Regional Treasurer Linda Hommer, and Regional Secretary Kathy Brisbois. Regional Web Master Joe Eller was absent.

Governors in attendance were Sheila Wyman (CCI), Chris Beebe (CRCC Proxy), Kenny Hartkopp (MCS), Frank Wietharn (TCC), E.J. Poss (CCC Proxy), Gary Brisbois (HCA), Tim Bailey (MACC), Grant McDowell (RCCA) and Larry Walker (BTCC).

Secretary Report – Kathy Brisbois

Kathy reported that 16 ballots had been received. Sandy Hartkopp and Denny Luther were appointed to count the ballots.

There was an introduction of individuals in attendance.

Jay requested any additions or corrections to the last meeting minutes. Frank Wietharn moved that the minutes from the last meeting be approved as distributed and Kenny Hartkopp seconded. The motion was passed by the governors.

Election results as presented by Denny Luther: the individuals running for West Region positions were elected.

Web Master Report – Joe Eller (not present)

Larry Walker said that Joe was doing a “good job” with the WR Website.

Treasurer Report – Linda Hommer

There are still 8 clubs who still have not paid their dues. No sanctions will be issued until they are paid.

Linda handed out financial reports. The Profit and Loss statement and Balance sheet were reviewed. Fund raiser efforts for the West Region garnered nearly \$2100 which contributed to the overall revenue this year.

Frank raised a question regarding the 2007 budget. Jay has requested that officers submit their expected budget to the Treasurer by December 15, 2006.

Regional Executive – Jay Hommer

RE Jay Hommer reported that there was a loss on the 2006 convention. This was primarily due to the commitment for rooms that were not filled and NCCC had to pay for. Larry Walker asked what made the difference between a successful convention and one that was not successful. Jay responded that events that are more centrally located tend to do better. Anita stated that the location on Disney property also was a contributing factor for the losses this year.

Jay also reported that Joan Thomas is working on setting up a generic contact on the Website so that personal e-mail addresses won't be available.

Jay presented a discussion of Rule 14 regarding conducting an audit of the NCCC records. A budget will be presented with our funding for an audit. It was agreed at the last Governors' meeting that Rule 14 would be addressed at the February meeting. He presented some issues that have contributed to the current financial state of NCCC. These included paying for the E-Board to attend convention and the number of regional officers who are paid mileage for the Governors' meetings. Dave Pierce and Frank read the NCCC minutes from the last Governors' meeting as they pertained to the suspension of Rule 14. Frank will present a motion to rescind the decision to suspend Rule 14. Still at issue will be the funding for an audit since the governors will vote to approve the budget presented at the September meeting.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the financial reports. Governors voted to approve the motion.

Regional Competition Director– Tim Bailey

Tim reported that the RCD meeting had been "rousing" the previous evening. At issue was the format for the updated Rule Book. On a vote of 13 to 2, the RCD's voted in favor of the spreadsheet version. Also as part of the Rule Book discussions, the RCD's discussed eliminating the FTD and OFTD points.

There were two clarifications reviewed. The first item involved the rule regarding the presence of a wrecker and ambulance at events. The RCD's decided that this rule pertains to Hi-speed and drag events and not low-speed events regardless of the length of the track. The other clarification dealt with Chance Rallyes; the current rule was upheld but will be rewritten in the new Rule Book. The event that raised the question had entrants drive out 35 miles from the starting point and drive back where they then drew cards, tossed dice and other activities to make up 7 events. Although this meets the letter of the rule it doesn't meet the intent. They also discussed awarding points for chance rallyes the same as PC car shows, i.e. 3 points per event.

Another item to come out of the RCD meeting was a decision following last month's decision to allow a car that broke down after tech to receive DNF points. If this is a two car class the second driver will be awarded points as if both cars ran. Larry Walker raised a question regarding Chair points in a two car class. Larry felt the second car should be given the same consideration as in the case above. Tim said he would raise the question at the next RCD meeting in February.

Tim recounted a recent incident where a corner worker was injured and asked governors to ensure worker safety at all events.

TripMaker, the tool the current rulebook specifies to determine the distances between club's "declared cities," is no longer commercially available. It is, however, now available free over the Internet at the Rand McNally web site. Some of the RCDs raised a question about this product's ability to produce consistent distances. However, others insist it is consistent, if you ensure the options (like quickest route) are properly selected. Tim will try out the version of "Trip Maker" on the web site and give you his recommendation

Tim is also considering having a Sanctioning meeting in Kansas City in January. With club banquets, it looks like the last weekend in January will be the best time. Tim will send out an email with the details.

Finally Tim brought up that this is the last year for him as RCD because of term limits. He said that if there is someone interested in this position, he would be willing to work with that individual this year to ensure a smooth transition.

Regional Membership Director– Diane Bowen

Diane reported that they have been working on automating the communications so that member packets can be distributed more efficiently.

Diane asked if anyone knew Raymond Johnson. It seems he indicated an interest in joining NCCC but Diane has not been able to contact him.

New Business

Kenny Hartkopp brought up the issue of timely dissemination of the WR minutes. He brought up 3 purposes: 1) to document what took place which could be sent out at any time; 2) to refresh memory and set the agenda for upcoming which could be sent just prior to the next meeting; 3) inform individuals not in attendance what took place in which case they would need to be out as soon as possible after the meeting. Kenny felt the minutes needed to be posted on the WR Website in a more timely manner.

Chris Beebe suggested that the minutes did not need to be posted at all since they are emailed to governors and governors can report to their clubs. Jay suggested that minutes should be sent out two weeks after the meeting to set the expectations for delivery. No other action was taken on this item.

Old Business

Frank moved that the Operating Rules and Procedures be approved as last published. Gary Brisbois seconded the motion. The motion passed on a vote of the governors in attendance.

Governor's Reports

Cornhusker Corvette Club– Anita Poss

Anita reported that Steve Werchan, a 30 year member of Cornhusker, passed away.

Corvette Club of Iowa– Sheila Wyman

Sheila bid farewell and thanked the governors for their support. She introduced Denny Luther as the new governor for CCI.

Midwestern Corvette Society

Kenny distributed invitations to the WR Banquet to be held March 31st, in Sioux City. The emphasis this year is on a WR Party.

Dave Pierce suggested that the fund raising efforts for 2007 be directed toward the WR scholarship program.

Kenny had a question regarding the timing of their event in relation to the NCCC convention. Tim stated that it would not be a problem.

Tim thanked outgoing RE, Jay Hommer for his efforts on behalf of the WR region

Gary Brisbois moved that the meeting be adjourned. Sheila Wyman seconded the motion which was passed by a vote of the governors.

Meeting adjourned.

Kathy Brisbois, Secretary