

West Region Meeting

May 6, 2023

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 am.

Those in attendance and on conference call:

Regional Executive – Kathy Brisbois
Regional Membership Director – Nanette Brittain
Regional Competition Director – Gary Brisbois
Secretary – Sheila Wyman
Treasurer – Linda Hommer

Governors:

Mike Finley – Cedar Rapids Corvette Club (CRCC) Phone)
Gary Foster – Corvette Club of Iowa (CCI)
Bob Williams – Boone Trail Corvette Club (BCC - Phone)
Jeff Bruggeman (Proxy) – 4 State Vettes, Inc.
Jim Walton – Corvettes of Southeast Missouri (CSM)
Gary Brisbois – Cornhusker Corvette Club (CCC)
Frank Weitharn Topeka Corvette Association (TCA – Phone)

Guest:

Mary Lou Bruggeman – 4 State Vettes, Inc.

Any corrections or additions to the minutes from February meeting? Motion to approve as written by Jim Walton and seconded by Gary Foster. Approved.

Regional Executive Report (RE)

Acquired three new NCCC clubs. There will be three bylaw changes presented at the September meeting for a vote in November. Will be requesting the approval of the Governors to extend another night stay for the Treasurer and Vice President of Competition to assist with transition of the new officers.

Last year's championship rings for the recipients will be approximately \$4,000 more than the prior year due to the increase in gold. Will be asking for approval for increase expenditure at the Governors meeting. Will be researching other less costly options for purchase of rings in the future.

There are 750 members who have registered for the convention in Bowling Green.

Alan Morris reported that E-cars are an issue. E-ray cars will be allowed at events, however the venue will have the final word. Insurance is becoming in jeopardy as there are still claims

pending. Reported 90% of NCCC members do not compete so questioning why we have costly insurance for 10% of the members.

Non-sanctioned events should be completing the forms on the competition website to be recorded for insurance purposes. However, if the paperwork is not completed the insurance will still cover your event, but need to make sure the waiver is signed.

East Ohio is holding a high speed event at the museum racetrack the weekend prior to convention at a cost of \$550 for both days (4-20 minute sessions).

Regional Competition Director (RCD)

Much discussion on E cars. Determined that anything with a Corvette plate on it will be allowed. However, will be up to the clubs whether E cars will be allowed at their events.

Everyone must sign the waiver. New forms on the NCCC website. Must use the one that has all the verbiage on it which only allows for just a few signatures. Do not use the sheet that can have several signatures. Also need to sign a waiver every day of you event. The initial signature is not valid for the entire weekend.

The E-Ray car will be in the PP class until it is determined if this is the correct class if a new one needs to be established.

On a C8 you cannot judge the engine on a concours as you can't really see it. Question on tech for the E-Ray. What else beside the lug nuts?

Rule Change on the floor today for vote is ride alongs at an autocross. Anyone can ride at anytime during the event.

Fast Time of the Day – If a minimum of people show in your class you must beat someone to be entitled to the FTD points.

At a time trial event you now point for someone passing not wave.

Rene Cardenas is proposing on eliminating times on funkhana.

Mike Finley, Governor of Cedar Rapids Corvette Club indicated that this will possibly be the final year for events at Hawkeye Downs due to lack of participation.

Regional Membership Director (RMD)

Three new clubs in NCCC – Northwest Region, California, and West Ohio.

Problems inputting into the membership database include spouses information, addresses with the nine digit zip code, and duplicate NCCC #'s. Need to use the lookup feature to see if they have been a prior member of NCCC. If unsure, need to call and ask. Florida representative that a non-member of NCCC can sign up at the event as enthusiast MAL member and they will be covered by our insurance.

The RMD position will be open for next year. Reminder that all WR office positions are for a one-year commitment with a total of 4 years Membership for the West Region is slowing down.

Secretary

No report.

Treasurer

Treasurer's report was sent out prior to this meeting. No questions. Our Corporate Agent has been Jay Hommer since 1990. He has stepped down from this position and Nichole Parnell-Stilley has kindly volunteered to become West Region Corporate Agent. A tax return needs to be filed every 2 years and since it is filed in the State of Iowa the Corporate Agent needs to reside in the state.

Corvette Club of Iowa has donated \$750 to the West Region scholarship fund. Three scholarships for \$500 will be awarded this year. The deadline to apply is August 1st.

Governors

Mike Finley – Hawkeye Downs event scheduled for July 22-23

Gary Foster – Reminder of the Memorial weekend at Ankeny Airport.

Gary Brtisbois – Two weeks away from a 14 event weekend. Will hold a driving school prior to the event.

Jim Walton – Gearing up for the 2024 Corvette caravan.

Jeff Bruggman – Working on 2024 convention in Joplin.

Bob Williams – Nothing to report.

Frank Weitharn – Asked when the rulebook will be back online. Questioned if MACC is going to do an event this year. CCI is doing an event on September 22-23 weekend.

Other Discussion

None.

Motion to adjourn from Jim Walton and seconded by Gary Brisbois. Adjourned at 10:30.