# **West Region Meeting**

# **November 11, 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:

Linda Hommer (Proxy) – Corvette Club of Iowa (CCI)
Bob Williams – Boone Trail Corvette Club (BTCC) Phone
Jeff Bruggeman (Proxy) – 4 State Vettes, Inc.
Jim Walton – Corvettes of Southeast Missouri (CSM)
Gary Brisbois – Cornhusker Corvette Club (CCC)
Frank Wietharm-Topeka Corvette Association (TCA)-Phone
Mike Finley – Cedar Rapids Corvette Club (CRCC) - Phone
Jack Bidding – Glass Express Corvette Club (GECC)-Phone

#### Guest:

Mary Lou Bruggeman – 4 State Vettes, Inc. Barb Zornes – Cornhusker Corvette Club Randy Zornes – Cornhusker Corvette Club

Any corrections or additions to the minutes from May meeting? Frank Wietharn had a correction to the September meeting minutes. His name was misspelled. Correction made. Motion to approve as corrected by Jim Walton and seconded by Frank Wietharn. Approved as amended.

### **Regional Executive Report (RE)**

As reported last meeting, \$400 in cash was anonymously donated. Kathy received a note explaining that a family member had been granted a West Region scholarship and would like to pay it forward. and wanted to donate the money to the scholarship fund. Family was at a point they wanted to give back.

From the Regional Executive meeting, Kathy reported that a by-law change was submitted to have the Sponsorship Fund go to the General Fund instead of the Convention Fund. Much

discussion on if this is implemented. might deter clubs from hosting a convention Costs of everything for convention is continuously rising so need to really look at moving the money. This will be presented at the February 2024 meeting.

We have \$2,000 in Charity Fund and paid out \$4,000 in catastrophic incidents. Looking into purchasing a \$100,000 CD at 5% interest. NCCC lost approximately \$100,000 last year so looking for ways to supplement the Treasury .

By-law proposal for the number of members in a club need to be at 51% NCCC for the club to be considered an NCCC club. How can this be policed and is there a reason for having this a by-law. Also pushed to next year.

# **Regional Competition Director (RCD)**

Discussed budget, three big expenses are Insurance, Blue Bars and travel to meeting. IT closed on December 15<sup>th</sup> with all results final on January 15<sup>th</sup> Last meeting for VP of Competition Bill Docherty. Updating rulebook will be presented at the Governors meeting.

# Regional Membership Director (RMD)

Tammy Dewitt, NCCC Treasurer reported having issues on deposits reconciling with what is being submitted by the RMD and Governors. West Region is doing very good with all their inputting and Nan thanked them. December 15<sup>th</sup> the database is shutting down and should have all input completed. Nans cutoff date for all input is November 20<sup>th</sup> to include the payment sent to her. Walt thinks that the shutdown of the system might be a little longer than usual. Four clubs have completed their renewals and Nan thanked Frank Weitharn for being the first.

West Region dues are to paid at the same time. All but two clubs have paid their dues, Platte Valley Corvette Club and University of Okoboji Corvette Club. Platte Valley has disbanded and are no longer members. Motion made by Jim Walton and seconded by Gary Brisbois to waive the 2023 WR dues of \$6.00 owed by Platte Valley Corvette Club since they have disbanded. Approved.

As this is the final meeting for Nan as RMD, she wanted to thank the governors and really appreciated working with all the clubs. Offered her assistant to the new RMD as she is probably busy with convention.

# **Secretary**

Ballots were electronically sent out and responses from eight clubs were received.

The following names are your 2024 West Region Officers:

Regional Executive – Gary Foster, Corvette Club of Iowa Regional Competition Director – Gary Brisbois, Cornhusker Corvette Club Regional Membership Director – Deb Hird, 4 State Vettes, Inc Secretary – Sheila Wyman, Corvette Club of Iowa Treasurer – Linda Hommer, Corvette Club of Iowa

#### **Treasurer**

Treasurer's report was sent out prior to this meeting. No questions.

Accounts receivable is showing sanction fees have not been paid for 2023. Linda had invoices to distribute to those clubs.

#### Webmaster

Kathy Brisbois reported that her email has been hijacked so do not communicate to her with the old email. She is trying to get it shutdown but so far is unsuccessful. Got knocked out of GoDaddy. Tell your Governors to not use her old email. If anyone is thinking they are communicating with Gary or Kathy Brisbois and the person is asking for money, it is not them. They will never ask for money, it is a scam.

GoDaddy finally got back to her and she has been able to once again get into the West Region website. She is in the process of updating the website. She has update the minutes, Operating Rules to show our Registered Agent has changed from Jay Hommer to Nichole DiMaio and permanent number information. She is continuing to update everything and if there is anything the Governors would like to see, let her know. Barry Conn was very slighted that he was not shown as the Regional Champion in 1999. She will get that corrected. Jack Bidding wanted to know if the For Sale site was up and running and Kathy indicated that it was.

# **Competition Schedule for 2024**

**Linda Hommer Proxy Corvette Club of Iowa** – Our club has scheduled a 14-event low speed weekend on September 21-22. The 3-day Memorial weekend at the Ankeny Airport is questionable depending on what we hear from the airport. Gary and Don Angeroth will be

corresponding the beginning of the year about the Memorial Day weekend. If Ankeny airport does not want to host this coming year this weekend may become available.

**Gary Brisbois** – CCC had a board meeting and have the following schedule for their events for 2024.

May 21-22 Autocross – no location June 1-2 Driving School at South Roads June 9 Peoples Choice Car Show June 22-23 Autocross - no location Autocross - Lincoln SECC July 13-14 July 27-28 Autocross – no location August 10-11 Autocross – no location August 30-September 2 Summerfest September 28-29 Autocross – Lincoln?

October 5-6 Autocross – Lincoln?

**Jack Bidding** – Five events on August 24<sup>th</sup>. – fun day

**Midwest Early Corvette Club** – Two peoples choice car shows on June 9<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup>.

**4 State Vette, Inc** − 14 event autocross-date to be determined.

**Mid America Corvette Club** – Looking again in 2024 putting on a 14-event autocross weekend in August.

#### Governors

**Jim Walton** – Thanked Kathy and Gary for supporting the 4 State Vettes autocross event.

**Bob Williams** – Thanked Nan for all her help the past 4 years.

**Frank Weitharn** – Thanked all the old officers for their hard work and welcomed the new officers.

**Jack Bidding** – Glass Express Corvette Club always hosts an event called Rock the Tots family Christmas at a local restaurant. They collect donations to give about 20 families a great Christmas. If you would like to donate to this event, contact Jack.

# **Other Discussion**

West Region Banquet is held every year. Kathy explained that this event recognizes the West Region champions. It has previously been held in either Omaha, Des Moines or Cedar Rapids. Last year it was held in Omaha in conjunction with their club's banquet. The majority of the recipients of these awards are from the Cornhusker Corvette Club. A motion was made by Gary Brisbois and seconded by Jim Walton to incorporate the West Region Banquet with the CCC Banquet. Passed.

Motion to adjourn from Jim Walton and seconded by Gary Brisbois. Adjourned at 10:08.