West Region Meeting September 13, 2025

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 am.

Those in attendance and on conference call:

Regional Executive – Denny Luther

Regional Membership Director – Deb Hird

Regional Competition Director – Lauren Killam

Secretary – Sheila Wyman

Treasurer – Linda Hommer

Webmaster - Kathy Brisbois - Phone

Governors:

Jay Hommer – Corvette Club of Iowa (CCI)

Gary Thompson – Cedar Rapids Covette Club (CRCC) – Phone

Gary Brisbois – Cornhusker Corvette Club (CCC) - Phone

Bob Williams – Boone Trail Corvette Club (BTCC)

John Hird– 4 State Vettes, Inc (4SV)

Frank Wietharn – Topeka Corvette Association (TCA) - Phone

Guest:

Diane Bowen – Cedar Rapids Corvette Club - Phone

Mary Lou Bruggeman – 4 State Vettes, Inc.

Secretary – Sheila Wyman

May minutes were posted on the West Region website. Any corrections or additions to the minutes from February meeting? Hearing none, motion to approve by Bob Williams and seconded by John Hird. Approved.

Treasurer - Linda Hommer

Sanctions, permanent numbers and interest money has been received. Treasury reports sent out. Motion made to accept treasury report by Bob Williams and seconded by John Hird. Approved.

Regional Executive Report (RE) – Denny Luther

Dues increase standing rule will be voted on today. No proxies will be used. Governors can verbal indicate at the meeting how they are voting. It will be a roll call vote.

\$15 increase for primary and \$5 increase for spouse

\$300 increased to \$500 for lifetime for current NCCC member

\$550 for lifetime new member

There is a marketing video being produced and the preliminary one will be viewed to NCCC members only prior to being released

Looking at eliminating a Governors meeting from 4 to 3 to defray costs. Zoom calls were discussed but decided not a good idea.

Looking at where money is being spent and the cost of membership cards each year is about \$20,000. And if most members elect to receive a soft copy of Blue Bars instead of hard copy would also save the organization money.

Lengthy discussion on the cost of printing Blue Bars and how money can be saved. Information was sent on to Elaine Heretta, Director of Publications.

The discussion is continuing about combining regions.

Prior to the dues increase about \$18,000 in new lifetime members were made.

Linda Fairlamb, NCCC Treasurer, has put \$200,000 into Chase CD earning at 4.73%.

Regional Competition Director (RCD) – Lauren Killam

Larry Walker talked about the drags at the convention. C8 records were set. Didn't program Z06 so don't have data-going forward will be available. Testers designed for only C8.

The RCD's asked Rene for a yearly rulebook update instead of every 2 years since doing a line item pass or fail; is now available. He will check.

Steering wheel rule proposed on what kind, will be taken out as determined that any steering wheel can be used.

Transponders are recommended when available at high speed autocross and high speed time trials.

Seven documents are up on the website and Rene indicated that his committee cataloged at least 200 hours working on these documents and will be presented at Governors meeting.

Safety guidelines will be separate issue on the website.

Regional Membership Director (RMD) – Deb Hird

NCCC has 17,437 members with 233 clubs. Two new clubs will be joining the West Region. West Region is the 5th largest region with 1,390 members and Cornhusker Corvette Club being the largest at 291 members.

FCOA is in need of donations. Looking at raising dues for FCOA prospective members. Came up that some FCOA members when they turn 16 want to compete in race events. Must become a Youth member, however some clubs do not have that option so need to check with your local clubs' by-laws.

Corvette deliveries at the museum receive a free one-year membership to NCCC. Need to find a club closest to the recipient to contact to continue membership. The VP of Membership will contact the RMD of the region where the person lives who will then contact the club governor to contact member.

Walt is working on the website to include a map showing all clubs within a state.

Need to make sure that the website for each member is being updated with the newest car information for each. This is being used for sponsorship.

If you are using "square" or some other type for payment that is charging a fee, be advised that if it exceeds \$600.00 you will get a 1099 for tax purposes.

Governors need to poll their members about discontinuing sending out membership cards. Costs about \$20,000 to send out the cards.

Renewal database will be updated immediately, after vote at the Governor's meeting, with the new rates. Must have all renewals completed and sent to Deb Hird, RMD, by November 17th.

Total of lifetime members in NCCC is 451.

Spoke with Jack Bidding on hosting an event and using other clubs sanctions. Deb will contact Jack and get him in touch with Lauren Killiam.

Webmaster - Kathy Brisbois

Website updated with the minutes of last meeting and competition car numbers. Did not get the scholarship app on the website. Also the RE indicated that he did not see the West Region By-Laws on the website. Kathy will check on.

Will check into putting the past recipients of the West Region scholarship on the website. Diane Bowen will look at prior winners and send to Kathy.

Governors Roundtable

Bob William indicated that it was a bad month for his club as they lost two members. They have a non-sanctioned car show on October 5th.

Jay said CCI had a matching time event which is not a speed event was a complete success. CCI will be holding a 14-event autocross on September 27-28 and a Bat rallye and Poker rallye on October 5th.

Lauren reported that Cornhusker Corvette Club are planning the following events:

September 20-21 – 14 Low-speed events
October 4-5 – 14 low-speed events
October 25-26 Spooktacular -wear Halloween costume or shirt
Saturday - 2 rallyes, 1 car show, 4 funkhanas
Sunday – 7 funkhanas

Lauren reported that they have a new venue which is great and very large "Interstate Sports Complex" just NW of Omaha.

Cedar Rapids Corvette Club is selling their timing trailer and equipment. Governor Gary Thompson will put together a list of what is for sale and will send to Denny who will distribute to the Governors. Kathy will also put it on the "Sell" on the West Region website.

Old Business

Diane Bowen presented the candidates for the West Region scholarship award. Had 5 applicants.

Mia Adanskee – Boone Trail Corvette Club attending Stephens College Chase Dawes – Cornhusker Corvette Club attending Iowa Western Allison Reed – Cornhusker Corvette Club attending University at Nebraska Tyler Brittin – Corvette Club of Iowa attending University of Iowa Mackensie Sult – Corvette Club of Iowa attending

Scholarship committee recommended scholarships be awarded to Mia, Chase and Allison. Morions made by Jay and seconded by Lauren to award \$500 to top three. Passed

Sheila Wyman, Secretary, reported that she has received no other nominations for 2026 West Region Officer positions. She will be emailing out the ballots for voting on 2026 West Region board to be returned prior to the November meeting.

New Business

Dues will be the main topic of discussion at the Governor's meeting.

Frank mentioned at a recent SCCA event a transgender man ran in the ladies class. Protest was made in favor of the transgender which was decided that whatever is shown on the drivers license is what was used. Just something to watch.

Motion to adjourn from Jay Hommer and seconded by John Hird. Adjourned at 10:43.

Submitted by

Sheila Wyman

West Region Secretary