

National Council of Corvette Clubs, West Region

Minutes of West Region Tele-conference Meeting

April 18, 2021 at 7pm

Those on the call were: Gene Gau, RE (Cornhusker Corvette Club); Kathy Brisbois, RCD (Cornhusker Corvette Club); Linda Hommer, Secretary (Corvette Club of Iowa); Jay Hommer, Treasurer (Corvette Club of Iowa); Gary Brisbois, Governor (Cornhusker Corvette Club); Frank Wietharn, Governor (Topeka Corvette Club); Bob Bowen, Acting Governor (Cedar Rapids Corvette Club), Fred Johnson, Governor (Central Kansas Corvette Association) and Tim Bailey, Governor (Mid-America Corvette Club)

The tele-conference was called to order at 7:00 PM by West Region Regional Competition Director, Kathy Brisbois.

Secretary's Report:

- Minutes of the last tele-conference as reported by the Regional Competition Director, Kathy Brisbois, were posted on the West Region website.
- There were no additions or corrections.
- Motion made by Frank Wietharn to approve the minutes; 2nd by Gene Gau; **the motion was approved.**

Treasurer's Report - Jay Hommer:

- The West Region Profit and Loss Report and the Balance Sheet from January 1 through March 31, 2021 has been sent to the Governors via email from the Regional Executive.
- Jay stated that he completed and filed the 2020 IRS Tax Report for the West Region with the IRS.

Regional Membership Director (RMD) Meeting Report - Nan Brittain:

- There was no report.

Regional Competition Director (RCD) Meeting Report - Kathy Brisbois:

- Kathy said she is approving sanction requests from the Governors as they come to her. Please check the West Region Competition website for event details. There is uncertainty right now with some clubs being unable to confirm event sites, but details will be posted on the website on all sanctioned events as soon as they are available.
- Since the Regional Competition Director is charged with controlling the Regional sanctions, Kathy stated that there are still some sanctions available if a club would like to host additional sanctioned events. Please contact Kathy if you need additional sanctions.
- The national Vice-President of Competition, Bill Docherty Jr., has informed all Regional Competition Directors that sanctioned events are not allowed the weekend before Convention (June 12 and 13) and the weekend after Convention (June 19 and 20). The Regional Competition Directors need to remind the Governors of this restriction.
- Kathy stated that she has been told by the national officers that the in-person Governors meeting scheduled for May 1 will take place as planned at this time. She reminded everyone that there will be no guests allowed, masks will be required and if you are not comfortable in this setting to please stay home.

- Kathy asked the Governors on the tele-conference call if they thought these type of tele-conference meetings were useful. The Governors agreed that there was value to this type of meeting, so Kathy will schedule another one for late August. She will email specifics as the date draws closer.
- Kathy reported that Midwest Early will be hosting an unsanctioned car show on Saturday June 12, 2021.
- Kathy reported that the sanctioned events for the region as known to date are as follows:
 May 15-16: Cornhusker Corvette Club, Harrah's in Omaha, Low speed
 May 29-31: Corvette Club of Iowa, Ankeny airport, Low speed
 June 5-6: Mid America Corvette Club, GM Fairfax plant in Kansas City, Low speed
 June 26-27: Corvette Club of Iowa, Chariton airport, Low speed
 July 10-11: Cornhusker Corvette Club, SE Community College in Lincoln, Low speed
 July 24-25: Cedar Rapids Corvette Club, Hawkeye Downs in Cedar Rapids, Low speed
 August 21-22: Cornhusker Corvette Club, Southroads Mall in Bellevue, Low speed
 August 22: Glass Express Corvette Club, St. Joe, Car show, Chance ralleye, Economy run
 September 4-6: Cornhusker Corvette Club, Bellevue and RPM, Low speed, High speed, Car Show, Funkhana, Ralleyes (multiple)
 September 25-26: POSSIBLY Cornhusker Corvette Club, Lincoln Air Park, Low speed

Regional Webmaster Report:

- There was no report.

Regional Executive (RE) Meeting Report - Gene Gau:

- Gene asked the Regional Competition Director about a change in the number of sanctioned events a club may host per day. Kathy stated that the Regional Competition Directors as a group have proposed a new rule book change that addresses this topic. The change would allow five sanctioned events per day rather than the current seven sanctioned events per day. This proposed change will be voted on by the Governors at the national meeting in November.

Old Business:

- Not addressed as such in this tele-conference meeting.

New Business:

- Not addressed as such in this tele-conference meeting.

Governor Round Table:

- Frank Wietharn, Topeka Corvette Club: Frank stated that his club is working on the details of the clubs' 50th anniversary celebration. Frank asked about West Region attendance at the national Convention and there was an indication that a small group from the region are planning on attending. It was noted though that participation in the Convention as a whole is down from past years. He stated that there is an SCCA event April 24 and 25 at Heartland Park in Topeka if anyone is interested in attending. The topic of online event registration was discussed with positives and negatives pointed out on the various platforms available. Gene Gau stated that the Cornhusker Corvette Club has two new members who are familiar with the online registration system so they may be a resource for the region on this topic.
- Bob Bowen, Acting Governor, Cedar Rapids Corvette Club: Bob stated that the National Corvette Restorers Society (NCRS) will be holding their Regional meeting in Cedar Rapids this

year in June. They have asked the Cedar Rapids Corvette Club to help them host an autocross as part of their meeting activities. Diane Bowen, Cedar Rapids Corvette Club member and Scholarship Committee Chair, asked the Governors if they were wanting the current Scholarship Committee to continue on in 2021. There was no objection to this but Gene Gau, RE, said it would be officially discussed and voted on at the upcoming West Region Meeting on May 1, 2021.

- Tim Bailey, Mid-America Corvette Club: Tim stated that the June 5 and 6 date they have for their low speed autocross weekend in Kansas City may be changed. The event is to be held in the parking lot of the GM Fairfax plant which is currently not in production due to inability to get specific chips needed in the production process. If the chips would become available and the plant resume production, the parking lot may be unavailable. As of now, he has not been able to procur an alternate site if he would need one. He will let the RCD and the Governors know final details as soon as possible.

At 7:45 PM Frank Wietharn made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Gene Gau; **the meeting was adjourned.**

Respectfully Submitted by
Linda Hommer, Secretary