

**Porsche Club of America
Chicago Region
Board Meeting Minutes
March 3, 2019**

Version: FINAL

Call to Order at 7:32 pm

Voting Board Members Present (“X”):

X	Neil MacDonald – President	X	Keith Clark - Director
X	Bob Rath – Vice Pres		Kurt Konrath – Director
X	Robert Danko – Treasurer		Scott McClement - Director
X	Stanley Sangdahl – Secretary		John Ruther– Director
X	Chuck LaMantia – Past Pres	X	Steve Kuk – Director

Coordinators Present: (“X”):

X	Henrique Regina – Concours	X	Pete Hackenson – BH / RA DE		Susan Shire – Club Race Reg
X	Alex Block – Concours		Peter Faehnrich – Gingerman		Steve Rashbaum – Rallye
	Buz Browne – AX Tech		James Jacisin – Historian		Ann Snyder – Rallye
X	Pete Bukantis – AX Timing		Toby Duckett – RA Reg.		Tom Snyder – Rallye
	Tom Miller – AX School		Anna Skura – Rallye	X	Jack Stephensen – Zone 13 rep
	Joe Morsello – AX School		Andy Skura – Rallye	X	Adam Kern – AX
	Ross Conforti – RA Reg I-net		Ed Leed – Database Manager.		Carl Walstad – Webmaster
	John Diwik – Driving Tours	X	Mark Prescott – Membership		John Westra – Social Media
X	Jody Freund – RA Tech		George Schaefer III – T&S		
	Todd Conforti – Blackhawk		Glenn DeWeirdt – Autobahn		

Members and Guests Present:

- **Dominique Sangdahl (M)**
- **Greg Giniacki (M), Brian Floriani (G) – Bernie’s Book Bank**
- **Doug Kush (M), Shoshana Miller (G) – Cradles to Crayons**
- **Dana Comolli (M), Shonali Ditz (G), Tiernan Murrell (G) – SparkShop**

Secretary's Report: (Stanley Sangdahl)

- Two drafts of 2/6 meeting minutes sent out, all comments/corrections incorporated, final version issued with no subsequent changes

Motion to accept the February 6, 2019 BOD Meeting Minutes: Bob Rath

Second: Bob Danko

Motion: Passed

Treasurer's Report: (Robert Danko)

- Relatively quiet month saw an increase in total assets over last year
- Significant income items were the PCA quarterly rebate and the sponsorship deposit from Barrington Porsche
- Significant expenses were printing cost for the Scene and the deposit for the Dinner Dance venue
- Autobahn and Blackhawk events pre-paid, 1st deposit for RADE made
- Bob met with our Chase banker, the terms for the two CDs are nearly done, a better rate can be realized if they are combined into a single CD. Bob suggests doing this for a 5 month term and then renewing for a longer term when the rates rise in the summer
- Bob also met with JP Morgan to explore other investment vehicles, because of all the paperwork involved the suggestion was to remain solely with Chase
- Some discussion was had regarding the savings accounts which suffer a very low rate of return, looking for possible alternatives within Chase
- Bob is to follow up with Burt Bowen to determine potential tax issues and report back

Motion to approve Treasurer's report: Bob Rath

Second: Chuck LaMantia

Motion: Passed

President's Report: (Neil MacDonald)

- **Received 13 nominations for the 2019 charity.**
- **Information on all of the charities was distributed to the Board via email**
- **The screening committee (Neil MacDonald, Bob Rath and Stanley Sangdahl) reviewed the applications and selected 3 for consideration by the Board**
- **Information on the 3 charities presented during the meeting appears on a separate page of these minutes**

Vice President's Report: (Bob Rath)

- No Report

Autocross Report: (Adam Kern)

- LN Engineering shirt design for the AX school completed, very nice, considering selling at all of the AX events in 2019
- AX school registration started, to date 25 students and 15 volunteers/instructors
- Has evaluated trophies for 2019, cost estimated to be \$1500
- Needs to purchase 50 cones to replace ones in very poor condition (25 orange, 25 yellow) cost estimated at \$500

Motion to approve \$1500 for trophies and \$500 for cones: Chuck LaMantia
Second: Stanley Sangdahl
Motion: Passed

Timing & Scoring Report: (Pete Bukantis)

- No Report

Road America Report: (Keith Clark, Chuck LaMantia, Peter Hackenson)

- Registration for RADE to open week of March 11th

Blackhawk Farms Report: (~~Todd Conforti~~, Peter Hackenson)

- Registration for Novice day has started, 10 Novices, 4 Instructors and 6 Experienced
- Suggestion was made to replace using the 600 #'s with X1, X2, X3, etc. Easier to put on the car and more identifiable as a Novice

GingerMan Report: (~~Peter Faehnrich, Kurt Konrath~~)

- No Report

Autobahn DE: (~~Gleensure conformitynn DeWeirdt, Chuck LaMantia, John Westra~~)

- Preparing flyer for event, event is up on ClubReg
- Capping entry to first 75 paid participants
- Pricing to rise incrementally for late registration

Chief Driving Instructor's Report: (~~John Ruther~~)

- No Report

Technical Report: (Jody Freund, Buz Browne)

- Has gotten most of the equipment from Peter
- All set for the Spring Tech Session, registration available on ClubReg, 12 registrants so far
- The scales used at TRAC need to be calibrated, will do some research on cost
- Also researching cost for a Tech popup tent
- Need loaner helmet donations, SA2010 or later
- Torque wrenches need to be replaced, 4 total, estimate is \$750
- **Move to approve:** Keith Clark; **Second:** Bob Danko; **Motion:** Passed
- Tech team meeting this week, considering two more tech events this season

Safety Report: (~~Todd Conforti~~) Peter Hackenson

- All coordinators need to review the latest PCA National Standards and Region Procedures Manual (RPM) for their disciplines to ensure conformity of tech sheets and event operations.

Insurance Report: (Keith Clark)

- All good, no issues

Sponsorship / Dealer Liaison Report: (Chuck LaMantia)

- Barrington Porsche has paid their sponsorship pledge
- Has heard that PCNA is considering offering car insurance to Porsche owners that will be based on miles driven. Insured will need to report mileage at certain intervals

Concours Report: (Henrique Regina, Alex Block)

- Chili tasting was a very successful event, 145 members in attendance
- Chili winners will be asked if their recipes can be published in the Scene
- Registration for the Concours School is at 49
- Has finalized with the Promenade for Concours 1
- Flyer for Potters Picnic is done
- Awards for 2019 season are still being researched. Total should be about same as last year, \$1600 but looking to expand to more places

Rallye Report: (~~Anna & Andy Skura~~)

- Looking for volunteer(s) to run the mini Rallye at the Rallye School
- Planning for Rallye 2 is underway
- Still evaluating trophies for the season, should have a request by the next meeting

Touring Report: (~~John Diwik~~)

- No Report

Social Report: (Steve Kuk)

- Swap meet was very successful, 150 attendees, sold space for 32 tables, good charity collection. Considering repeat next year
- Registration for the St. Patrick's Day event is at 35
- Request \$1200 deposit to cover the minimum of 40 for the St. Patrick's social at Haymarket
Move to approve: Bob Rath; **Second:** Keith Clark; **Motion:** Passed
- Kane County Cougars baseball social on May 11th (to follow Iron Gate event), looking to reserve single suite which has a capacity for 65. Will need a deposit of \$1235 for minimum of 35 people, this will cover the ticket and food
Move to approve: Bob Rath; **Second:** Bob Danko; **Motion:** Passed
- Social event at Aurelios Pizza in Homewood for the Art Festival on June 8th. Looking for a \$600 deposit to hold room, minimum of 30 people. Looking to get the Michiana Region involved.
Move to approve: Bob Danko; **Second:** Stanley Sangdahl; **Motion:** Passed
- Potters Picnic – starting planning for event, will need to secure tent. Neil MacDonald will be the lead with assistance from Concours and Social. Neil to contact long time members about attending for recognition
- Chuck LaMantia reported that the Geneva Show & Shine (part of the Concours d'elegance) is all set for late August

Dinner Dance: (Neil MacDonald)

- Deposit made to the Renaissance Schaumburg for December 7
- Dennis and Jan Costis will be chairing the event with help from Kurt Konrath

Membership: (Mark Prescott)

- 2109 primary members, up 72 from last year
- We didn't make the top 5 in the PCA Membership Contest either for factored or actual growth

The Scene Report: (Neil MacDonald)

- Invoices have been sent to all of the advertisers
- 19 full page ads
- April 1st is the submission deadline for the May issue

Webmaster's Report: (Carl Walstad)

- Neil met with Carl to discuss timeliness of posting to the website
- Remember to cc Neil with any submissions for posting on the website

Zone 13 Rep Report: (Jack Stephensen)

- Thanks to Neil for participating in the National Board meeting last Monday
- National has hired a new “digital architect” to work on website, rebuilding the extranet
- Jim Hemig is new Marketing Director/Membership chair employed by National
- Spring Treffen is sold out, Fall Treffen will be going to Woodstock, Vermont
- Jack watched some of the SIM racing added to PCA, pretty amazing graphics

Historian Report: (~~Jim Jacisin~~)

- No Report

Social Media Report: (~~John Westra~~) Adam Kern

- Social media is popular and running smoothly

Old Business:

- None

New Business:

The Board heard presentations from the three charities selected by the committee for consideration as the 2019 charity:

- Bernie’s Book Bank – this charity distributes books for children up to 12 years old in the Chicago and surrounding 6 counties. They are currently serving 360,000 children with their program. Books are sourced via donations of used books and purchase from publishers.
- Cradles to Crayons – this charity accepts donations of new and gently used clothes and necessities for some 60,000 children in Chicago. Volunteers inspect, sort and assemble packages of goods based on “shopping lists” based on the needs of the children served.
- SparkShop – this charity developed and runs a program to introduce 4th and 5th grade children to various engineering fields. They are currently at 13 schools in Chicago with funding going towards adding more. They provide direct presentation and workshops to the class and then assist teachers with continuing involvement.

Meeting went into Executive Session at 9:46 pm to deliberate on the selection of the charity for 2019

- SparkShop was selected as the supported charity for the 2019 season.

<p>Adjournment: 9:59 PM Motion: Chuck LaMantia Second: Bob Rath Motion: Passed</p>	<p>Next Meeting: Wednesday April 3, 2019 7:30 PM White Eagle Banquet Hall 6939 N. Milwaukee; Niles, IL</p>
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