

**Porsche Club of America (Final)
Chicago Region
Board Meeting Minutes
July 7 2017**

Voting Board Members Present (“X”):

X	Chuck LaMantia – President	X	Keith Clark - Director
X	Neil MacDonald – Vice Pres	X	Dennis Costis – Director
	David Angelus --Treasurer	X	Kurt Konrath - Director
X	Todd Conforti – Secretary	X	Peter Faehnrich – Director
X	Toby Duckett – Past Pres		Bob Rath – Director

Coordinators Present: (“X”):

	John Blyth – Concours co-chair		James Jacisin – Historian		Susan Shire – Club Race Reg
	Buz Browne – AX Tech		Steve Kuk – Social Coordinator		Ann Snyder - Rallye
X	Pete Bukantis – AX Timing		Dan Leavitt – Asst DE Tech		Tom Snyder - Rallye
	Ross Conforti RA Registration		Ed Leed – Database Manager.		Tom Stark - Concours
X	John Diwik – Tours		Scott McClement - AX		Jack Stephensen –Zone 13 rep
	Kim Faehnrich – The Scene	X	Mark Prescott - Membership		Carl Walstad - Webmaster
	Michael Grove – Concours co-chair	X	John Ruther – Chief Driving Ins		John Westra –Social Media
X	Pete Hackenson – BH / RA DE		George Schaefer III – T&S		

Members and Guests Present:

None

Secretary's Report: (Todd Conforti)

With a quorum present Chuck LaMantia called the meeting to order at 8:01 PM.

Minutes from 6/2/17 meeting were discussed. A copy was circulated via email to all Board Members and Coordinators. A motion was made to accept the minutes

Motion: Toby Duckett
Second: Peter Faehnrich
Motion: approved

President's Report: (Chuck LaMantia)

LaMantia reports since last meeting we had several successful events including Concours One, Blackhawk II, Wrigley Field Tour, Rallye Two and today's Autobahn evening event. LaMantia thanks all the coordinators for the hard work putting on these fine events and hopes we schedule another Autobahn CC event next year.

Treasurer's Report: (David Angelus)

Angelus distributed the 6/30/17 Financial Report via email to all Board Members and Coordinators but could not make this meeting. LaMantia reports for Angelus that our funds are down however not unusual for this time of year. Top income sources are Road America, Blackhawk II, and Spring Driving Tour. Top expenses are Road America, Goodie Store and Spring Driving Tour. LaMantia reports that on a net basis, RADE incurred a deficit greater than expected. Fees were lowered in the "give back" spirit of the 60th while also hoping that would help spur additional registrations. The end result was that we had fewer paid registrants and those who did pay, paid less than 2016

Motion: Toby Duckett to accept the Treasurer's report.
Second: Neil MacDonald
Motion: approved

Vice President's Report: (Neil MacDonald)

No Report

Autocross Report (Scott McClement)

No Report

Timing & Scoring Report: (Pete Bukantis)

Bukantis reports that the local WI-FI connected timing application has been well received. Drivers like being able to see the results on their smart phones. Bukantis is looking into the costs for a subscription to allow this data to be placed on line or in the cloud for later reference and review.

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

LaMantia reports that the RADE loss was greater than expected. As mentioned in the Treasurers report, the lowering of fees did not entice additional entrants, the paid entrant count was actually down slightly and came nowhere near the additional entrants we were hoping for to offset the lowering of cost in fees. There was continued discussion on RADE attendance including suggestions to possibly open up attendance to other car clubs and promoting our track events by having some sort of a "new driver" social on the calendar between AX school and the RADE event.

Clark reports that the TRAC application has been submitted and he has a call scheduled with National next week. Clark would like to keep pricing as in 2016.

Motion: Keith Clark to hold TRAC DE and Club Race entry fees to 2016 pricing.
Second: Peter Faehnrich
Motion: approved

Blackhawk Farms Report: (Todd Conforti, Peter Hackenson)

We had a nice turnout for June 23rd event with 56 drivers, beautiful weather and no incidents. Picked up \$130 for charity.

GingerMan Report: (Peter Faehnrich, Kurt Konrath)

Konrath reports 30 have registered to date and that he would like an email blast sent out promoting the event.

Autobahn

LaMantia reports the Autobahn DE event today was sold out with 75 drivers. He thanks Barrington Porsche for sponsoring the buffet dinner that was enjoyed by all. The evening event went well and there were no incidents. Perhaps next year we start one hour earlier and all have dinner together at 7 pm (and no board meeting).

Chief Driving Instructor's Report: (John Ruther)

Ruther reports we had just enough instructors for Blackhawk II and thanks all for the nice job they did instructing the 16 novice drivers attending.

Technical Report: (Peter Faehnrich)

Faehnrich thanks all those who volunteered for tech at Blackhawk and today at Autobahn

Safety Report: (Todd Conforti)

No issues to report.

Insurance Report: (Keith Clark)

Clark reports all events listed are insured.

Sponsorship / Dealer Liaison Report: (Neil MacDonald)

MacDonald reports he is working to secure a Rallye sponsor and starting to align sponsors for TRAC.

Concours Report: (Michael Grove & John Blyth)

Grove reports via email that Concours 1 had a great turnout by the membership. Over 50 cars showed up in the corral and another 27 participated in the Concours judged classes. Special thanks to Tom Stark for all his efforts chairing the event and coordinating with The Promenade staff. Thank you to everyone that attended and helped make Concours 1 successful.

Potters Picnic / Concours 2, contract and check secured for the tent, tables and chairs. Volunteers are currently being solicited via e-mail volunteer schedule. Please contact Dennis, Steve or I if you would like to assist. We have decided to cancel the Pinewood Derby at Potters. E-mail and Facebook posts need to mention this. Grove will hand over a number of items (banners, signage, and sign posts) that are specific to this event at its conclusion. Concours 3, the flyer has been provided for posting on the web.

Rallye Report: (Tom & Ann Snyder)

Snyder reports via email that Rallye 2 Sunday June 25th went well and we had 19 teams participate, six of them Novice teams. Thanks to new Rally masters Con and Sue O'Mahoney - they provided some very scenic roads, a challenging Rallye, and the weather cooperated. The Lucky Monk restaurant in S. Barrington was a nice place to finish up the Rallye.

Our next Rallye is August 6th and will be led by new rally masters Anna and Andy Skura.

We've been working with Neil Mac Donald regarding a simple sponsorship with Porsche Barrington for our rallyes.

Touring Report: (John Diwik)

Fall tour will be at Tan-Tar-A resort Lake of the Ozarks the location of next year's Porsche Parade.

Diwik presented his ideas for a 2018 Spring Tour to Cleveland, OH. Since it is an urban setting Diwik would like to tour to Cleveland in our Porsches but then travel around the city in motor coaches. Members would stay at Hotel Intercontinental Suites and visit West Side Market, Great Lakes Brewing, Crawford Auto / Aviation Museum and Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. Diwik is hoping to get close to 100 people to attend and would like to reserve sites with a refundable deposit.

Motion: Toby Duckett to provide deposit funds up to \$4000 with the condition that Neil MacDonald review the contracts and confirms full refunds are available.

Second: Dennis Costis

Motion: approved.

Social Report: (Steve Kuk)

No Report

Dinner Dance

No report

Membership: (Mark Prescott)

Prescott reports we have peaked over 2000 primary members!! He presented a historical chart to show year end membership and YTD for the period he has records for. Very nice and a good reflection on our region, the club, and the work by all.

We are also listed in this month's national membership report as in the top 12 (6th) actual growth:

Charity Report:

No report

The Scene Report: (Kim Faehnrich)

MacDonald reports that Scene content deadline for September 1st edition is August 1st. Kim Faehnrich has agreed to be Editor of the Scene through 2017. If we wish to continue to publish the Scene in 2018 we will need to find a new Scene Editor. A discussion followed about the viability of the Scene and whether it should be continued or move into more Social Media and only publish lower cost flyers and mailings. Further discussion to follow next meeting.

Goodie Store (Peggy Atcher)

Peggy Atcher provided an email to the board announcing her resignation as Co-Chair of Concours and from the Goodie Store. The last event for the Goodie Store was the Bolingbrook Concours. Peggy and Charlie will be moving to Florida. The Board thanks her for her service and wishes them all the best.

Webmaster's Report: (Carl Walstad)

No report

Zone 13 Rep Report: (Jack Stephensen)

No report

Historian Report: (Jim Jacisin)

No report

Social Media Report: (John Westra)

Westra reports via email that all PCA Chicago July and August events have posted to Facebook with full sponsorship info included and links to PCA Chicago website for full details and flyers. Please notify Westra of any date changes.

For the month of June, we reached more than 5,000 people with more than 50 posts, events and photo albums. We engaged more than 19,000 people with likes, comments, and shares. We added 12 new page followers. The RADE pictures taken by Jeff Brown were uploaded to Facebook today. We have 1150 followers to date.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

Next Meeting:

Wednesday Aug 2 2017 7:30 PM
White Eagle Banquet Hall
6939 N. Milwaukee
Niles, IL

Adjournment: 9:12 PM

Motion: Toby Duckett

Second: Keith Clark

Motion approved