

**Porsche Club of America (Final)
Chicago Region
Board Meeting Minutes
Aug 2 2017**

Voting Board Members Present (“X”):

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

Coordinators Present: (“X”):

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

Bob Danko

Secretary's Report: (Todd Conforti)

With a quorum present Chuck LaMantia called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM.

Minutes from 7/7/17 meeting were discussed. A copy was circulated via email to all Board Members and Coordinators. A motion was made to accept the minutes

Motion: Dennis Costis
Second: Peter Faehnrich
Motion: approved

President's Report: (Chuck LaMantia)

LaMantia reviewed the election process email that he sent to the board earlier this week. The nominating committee will be headed by Chuck LaMantia and consist of Keith Clark, Bob Rath, Toby Duckett and Peter Faehnrich. There are seven positions open, President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and three Directors. If you are interested in one of these positions please send an email to LaMantia before the end of day August 11, 2017. The committee will present its recommended slate for the 2018 board at the next meeting September 6th 2017.

Treasurer's Report: (David Angelus)

Angelus distributed the 7/29/17 Financial Report and reports that we are up year to date and cash flow is going positive. Top income sources are Gingerman, Autobahn, Road America and Scene Ads, Top expenses are Road America and Gingerman. Angelus will be out of town from August 14th to September 1st so please make arrangements if you require funds prior to his return.

Motion: Toby Duckett to accept the Treasurer's report.
Second: Peter Faehnrich
Motion: approved

Vice President's Report: (Neil MacDonald)

No Report

Autocross Report (Scott McClement)

McClement reports that Autocross III had record turnout with 74 drivers. Included were 44 drivers that preregistered and an additional 30 walk ins. Since these drivers create a bottleneck at registration and timing/scoring setup he is looking to increase onsite registration fees to promote online registration. There were 29 X class (non Porsche) drivers and 7 female drivers. McClement will not be at AX 4 but registration will be handled by Stanley and Niki Sangdahl.

Timing & Scoring Report: (Pete Bukantis)

No report

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

Clark reports registration for the club race is on track with 120 test & tune, 145 sprint race and 116 enduro drivers registered to date. DE registration is behind schedule and if registration doesn't pick up it may lead to eliminating one DE group in the future. Escort fees to Elkhart Lake Police and insurance fees being paid this week.

Blackhawk Farms Report: (Todd Conforti, Peter Hackenson)

Conforti reports registration for August event is growing slowly with 25 registered to date. Plans are set for Oktoberfest with BBQ caterer and room block at Best Western.

GingerMan Report: (Peter Faehnrich, Kurt Konrath)

Konrath reports they had 59 drivers at this year's event. Two nice days, weather was good, a little warm but no rain. They lost some track time when one driver had a leaking turbo oil line and decided to ignore black flags and dropped oil for two full laps. Overall the event may break even or have a small loss. He would like to schedule a date for next year event with greater spacing from other DE's and possibly promoting camping at the track to improve attendance.

Autobahn

LaMantia reports this year's event was well received and to improve it next year perhaps start one hour earlier and all have dinner together at 7 pm (and no board meeting). Financials worked as planned as a break even or slight loss event.

Chief Driving Instructor's Report: (John Ruther)

No report

Technical Report: (Peter Faehnrich)

Faehnrich thanks all that have helped out with tech this month.

Safety Report: (Todd Conforti)

Conforti reports there was a car to car incident at Gingerman. An over aggressive driver pinched another car at the turn in of a corner and there was contact left front to right rear. Damage was minimal however a report was filed with National and the over aggressive driver was reprimanded.

Insurance Report: (Keith Clark)

Clark reports all events listed are insured.

Sponsorship / Dealer Liaison Report: (Neil MacDonald)

MacDonald reports he has 3 platinum and 5 silver sponsors for TRAC so far and he's going after 3 more who are missing. Jim Drury will be recording the sponsor ads for TRAC in the next week or so.

Concours Report: (Michael Grove & John Blyth)

Blyth presented Grove's reports that Potters Picnic Concours 2 had great weather, great turnout with 40 cars in the judged Concours and a number of new participants. We had over 125 Porsches on the lawn with a wide range of models, colors and years. Nice showing of 356's and early 911's. Over 300 members in attendance. Thank you to: Peter Fisher, Rip & Linda Patterson, Dennis Costis, Steve Kuk, John Blyth, Tom & Barb Stark, Nancy Grove, Toby Duckett, The Kutill family, Jim Dorfman and all the volunteers and participants. A fun day was had by all!

Steve Kuk has volunteered to store supplies related specifically to this event. Thank you

Concours 3 at Autobahn CC is all set; a flyer is on the web. Unless advised differently, plan on Concours on grass left side of drive before food concession building. Concours 4 at TRAC will be moving to location at the track on Saturday between the Gear Box and the front straight. Schedule for Concours moved up by one hour so cars can participate in drive to Siebkens. Concours flyer will emphasize this. Would like option to acquire Banquet tickets for Concours participants.

The Board suggested that the Concours group reach out to the 3 participants that were turned away for arriving late to the judging at Potter's Picnic. We should be more accommodating to novice members.

Rallye Report: (Tom & Ann Snyder)

Our next Rallye is August 6th and will be led by new rally masters Anna and Andy Skura. Looks like a good Rallye and 15 have registered to date.

Touring Report: (John Diwik)

LaMantia reported that after reviewing the contracts for the proposed Spring 2018 Tour to Cleveland OH. In order to receive full refunds of our deposit money we would need to cancel by Jan 1, 2018. This would provide very little time for our membership to register and commit without allowing refunds so after discussion the Board has decided not to provide deposit money for this tour.

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

Social Report: (Steve Kuk)

Kuk reports that the social events are moving along nicely. Potter's picnic was well attended but next year he would like to see more food coordination and more promotion prior to the event. Golf outing has 21 registered and he needs 1 more to complete a foursome. Kuk will purchase golf prizes this week.

Dinner Dance

LaMantia reports Karen Cooper (National President) will join us this year as we celebrate our club's 60th anniversary at the dinner dance.

Membership: (Mark Prescott)

No report

Charity Report:

Jim and Nancy Hopp raffled off several items and collected \$445 for the Mighty Acorns at Potter's Picnic. Jim asked if we can get more info on the Mighty Acorns on our website.

The Scene Report: (Kim Faehnrich)

Kim Faehnrich reports that she needs all articles and ads by August 15th for the next Scene.

Goodie Store (David Angelus)

Angelus reports that he will try to keep the Goodie Store going for 2018 with more select garments and accessories.

Webmaster's Report: (Carl Walstad)

No report

Zone 13 Rep Report: (Jack Stephensen)

Stephensen reports there is a new National program for PCA juniors, a yearly birthday card. For 2018 HANS devices are required for all DE participants if their car is equipped with a harness seat belt / race seat / harness bar combination. Stephensen will file the Secretary of State report as our regional agent.

Historian Report: (Jim Jacisin)

No report

Social Media Report: (John Westra)

Westra reports via email that for the month of July, we reached more than 5,800 people with more than 35 posts, events and photo albums. We engaged more than 12,500 people with likes, comments, and shares. We added 32 new page followers. 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 me of any date changes.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

Peter Faehnrich would like to see the name of our charity “The Mighty Acorns” prominently displayed on our website PCA-Chicago.org including a descriptive overview and links to their website. LaMantia will contact our webmaster.

Next Meeting:

Wednesday Sept 6 2017 7:30 PM
White Eagle Banquet Hall
6939 N. Milwaukee
Niles, IL

Adjournment: 9:12 PM

Motion: Keith Clark
Second: Bob Rath
Motion approved