

**Porsche Club of America (Final)  
Chicago Region  
Board Meeting Minutes  
Oct 3 2018**

**Voting Board Members Present (“”):**

X	Neil MacDonald – President	X	Keith Clark - Director
X	David Angelus – Vice Pres	X	Kurt Konrath – Director
X	Robert Danko –Treasurer	X	Scott McClement - Director
X	Todd Conforti – Secretary	X	Bob Rath– Director
X	Chuck LaMantia – Past Pres	X	John Ruther – Director

**Coordinators Present: (“X”):**

	John Blyth – Concours	X	Pete Hackenson – BH / RA DE		Susan Shire – Club Race Reg
	Buz Browne – AX Tech	X	James Jacisin – Historian	X	Ann Snyder - Rallye
	Pete Bukantis – AX Timing	X	Steve Kuk – Social Coordinator	X	Tom Snyder - Rallye
	Cheryl Lehman Collier, AX School		Dan Leavitt – Asst DE Tech	X	Jack Stephensen –Zone 13 rep
	Ross Conforti RA Registration		Ed Leed – Database Manager.		Carl Walstad - Webmaster
	John Diwik – Tours	X	Mark Prescott - Membership	X	John Westra –Social Media
X	Pete Faehnrich – Tech		George Schaefer III – T&S		

**Members and Guests Present:**

Toby Duckett, Adam Kern, Dennis Costis, Stanley Sangdahl

**President's Report: (Neil MacDonald)**

No report.

**Secretary's Report: (Todd Conforti)**

With a quorum present Neil MacDonald called the meeting to order at 7:34 PM.

Minutes from 9/5/18 meeting were discussed. A copy was circulated via email to all Board Members and Coordinators.

Motion to accept the minutes as presented: Bob Danko

Second: Chuck LaMantia

Motion: Approved

**Treasurer's Report: (Robert Danko)**

Danko reviewed his financial summary report; a full report was emailed to Board members and Coordinators. Top income sources are the TRAC golf carts, Clubrace, Siebkens dinner , DE and PCA National payment for Trophy East GTC6 entry fees. Other income includes charity and Gingerman. Largest expenses are to Siebkens for TRAC dinner, TRAC expenses TD, NPN360 umbrellas, Blackhawk advance for Corner workers, Victorian village for National dinners. Year to date income is up while year to date expenses are down providing a positive cash flow.

Motion to approve Treasurer's report: Keith Clark

Second: Scott McClement

Motion: Approved

**Vice President's Report: (David Angelus)**

No report

**Autocross Report (Scott McClement)**

McClement reports that all AX events this year except one were sold out at 60 drivers therefore next year he suggests closing registration the night before to streamline timing and scoring setup. McClement is also interested in trying Motorsportreg.com for registrations next year. McClement proposed combining the men's and lady's classes into a single class. This is due to the issue of class bumping when there are limited numbers in the lady's classes. After a spirited discussion this subject was tabled for a future meeting. Next year's coordinator Adam Kern will keep most or all AX events at Boomers.

**Timing & Scoring Report: (Pete Bukantis)**

No report

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

No report

### **Blackhawk Farms Report: (Todd Conforti, Peter Hackenson)**

Conforti thanks Toby Duckett, Jim Ptak and Helga Hausner for onsite registration, Peter Faehnrich and crew for Tech, Joe Gaucher for coordinating the BBQ dinner, Larry Hebenstreit and Katie Mark for decorating the pavilion. Conforti reports registration for Oktoberfest was down due to both the weather and the Rennsport reunion but a good time was had for all those who attended. Saturday had no rain, no incidents and plenty of good food. In addition we were joined by several Brass Era cars who took to the track for touring laps. Track touring and registration collected over \$300 for charity. Next year is the Chicago region's 50th year at Blackhawk and we are looking at ways to celebrate with special offers and promotions.

### **GingerMan Report (Peter Faehnrich, Kurt Konrath)**

Konrath reports he was contacted by Gingerman with an offer to provide a substantial discount if he was willing to move the event date from Aug 10 & 11 to Aug 17&18. This date is actually favorable to him because it moves it off the Blueberry Fest weekend so the availability of lodging is improved. The Board is in favor of the date change.

Motion to provide \$5,500 payment to GingerMan for track rental: Chuck LaMantia  
Second: Bob Danko  
Motion: Approved.

### **Autobahn DE (Chuck LaMantia)**

LaMantia will contact the track to get available dates in 2019.

### **Chief Driving Instructor's Report: (John Ruther)**

No report

### **Technical Report: (Peter Faehnrich)**

Faehnrich thanks everyone who came out to help him with tech throughout his tenure as Tech Chair. He would like to make arrangements for someone take all the tech gear that is currently in his garage. The Fall Tech Session will be at G Design Racing November 4<sup>th</sup>.

### **Safety Report: (Todd Conforti)**

Conforti reports one minor incident at Oktoberfest where a car took out about 50 yards of stacked tires. Luckily only the front splitter on the car was knocked off. He even made at back out in the same session. Driver will be charged \$100 for re-banding tire stacks.

### **Insurance Report: (Keith Clark)**

Clark reports all events should be covered.

### **Sponsorship / Dealer Liaison Report: (Chuck LaMantia)**

LaMantia thanks all those sponsors that contributed to TRAC and is actively collecting funds due.

### **Concours Report: (John Blyth)**

Kuk reports the combined Social and Concours held at the Biergarten in Hoffman Estates had about 25 Concours cars and the social portion was well attended. He likes the site and will plan to return next year.

### **Rallye Report: (Tom & Ann Snyder)**

Tom Snyder reports they had 18 teams for the challenging Olson Rallye and the team of Jack Franks and Megan ended in the lead. He is still looking for a Rallye coordinator for next year. Rallye Master Toby Duckett reports Rallye five has 12 teams registered so far and will be run in honor of Dan Gallagher and Ed Barnicle.

### **Touring Report: (John Diwik)**

No report.

### **Social Report: (Steve Kuk)**

Kuk reports Porsches and Pastries 4 at Randhurst shopping center had a large turnout .The shopping center was lively due to their hosting a car show and festival. Kuk will look to return there next year. The social in conjunction with Concours 5 at the Biergarten was very nice, free pretzels to the 10 or so who showed up in German Oktoberfest attire. The next Porsches and Pastries will be downtown this coming weekend and the last one will be at Collectors' Car Garage November 10<sup>th</sup>. Kuk is looking at different venues next year including a tour of Whiting and NW Indiana.

### **Dinner Dance**

Costis presented the budget for this year's Dinner Dance and Awards Gala to be held December 8<sup>th</sup> at the Hyatt (MacDonald's campus) in Oakbrook. Budget is in line with past events with an additional cost to produce a Club video to display during the event. A block of hotel rooms have been reserved. Admission price will be held to \$100 per person.

Motion to approve entry fee and allocate \$30,000 to subsidize the Dinner Dance: Kurt Konrath

Second: Bob Danko

Motion: Approved

### **Membership: (Mark Prescott)**

Prescott reports membership is at another all-time high with 2107 primary with 3336 total members. The new price for replacement badges will be \$15 each.

### **The Scene Report:**

McDonald reports the deadline for the third *Chicago Scene* is November 1<sup>st</sup>. New advertisers include Autobahn Country Club and Collectors' Car Garage. He will poll the club to get membership opinion on future publication, printed and mailed or just online PDF versions.

### **Webmaster's Report: (Carl Walstad)**

No report

### **Zone 13 Rep Report: (Jack Stephensen)**

Stephensen reports the AX standards are available and he would like to hear comments back from the AX coordinators. The Rennsport Reunion at Laguna Seca had over 85,000 attendees.

### **Historian Report: (Jim Jacisin)**

No report

### **Social Media Report: (John Westra)**

Westra reports we have over 1500 Facebook members and he is expanding on Instagram. Checked-it-out Chicago was a great success, looking forward to the next one.

### **Old Business:**

MacDonald reports that since no petitions were received the ballot will be published with recommendations from the nominating committee. He will email a mock ballot to the board to confirm names and mailing addresses.

### **New Business**

None

**Next Meeting:**

Wednesday Nov 7<sup>th</sup> 2018 7:30 PM  
White Eagle Banquet Hall  
6939 N. Milwaukee  
Niles, IL

**Adjournment:** 9:14 PM

Motion: Kurt Konrath  
Second: Bob Danko  
Motion: Approved