

**Porsche Club of America, Chicago Region
Board Meeting Minutes
May 4, 2022
Called to Order 7:01 PM**

Voting Board Members Present (“X”):

X	Stanley Sangdahl – President	X	Pete Bukantis - Director
X	Dana Comolli – Vice President	X	Keith Clark – Director
X	Robert Danko – Treasurer	X	Adam Kern- Director
X	Anna Skura – Secretary	X	Cheryl Lehman Collier - Director
X	Bob Rath – Past President	X	John Ruther – Director

Coordinators Present: (“X”):

X	Alex Block – Concours		Buz Browne – AX Tech	X	Pete Bukantis – AX Timing/Blackhawk
X	Dana Comolli – Webmaster/Sponsorship/Dealership	X	Ross Conforti – RADE Reg	X	Todd Conforti – Blackhawk/TRAC Tech/Safety
	Glenn DeWeirdt – Autobahn & Gingerman		John Diwik – Driving Tours		Neil French – Gingerman
X	Jody Freund – DE Tech	X	Pete Hackenson – Blackhawk		Jeremy Holleb – Social Co-Coordinator
X	Adam Kern – AX Coordinator/Social Media		Shannon Lange – Historian	X	Cheryl Lehman Collier – RADE/TRAC Coordinator
	Debby Leed – Database Manager/ Permanent Car Numbers		Ed Leed – Database Manager/ Permanent Car Numbers		David Mansfield - RADE
	Joe Morsello – AX School	X	Neil McDonald – The Scene		Mark Palmer – Gingerman
	Mark Prescott – Membership	X	Bob Rath – Insurance	X	Henrique Regina – Concours
	Mark Roethemeier – Zone 13 Representative	X	John Ruther – Chief Driving Instructor		Susan Shire - Club Race Reg
	Andy Skura – Rallye Co-Coordinator	X	Anna Skura – Rallye Co-Coordinator		John Westra - Autobahn

To minimize COVID exposure this meeting was held via Zoom video conferencing.

Quorum

A quorum was confirmed and the meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM.

Members and Guests Present:

Shonali Ditz - SparkShop

Tiernan Murrell - SparkShop

SparkShop Update (Shonali Ditz/Tiernan Murrell)

SparkShop has finished the school year – participating schools are running the fourth quarter curriculum. SparkShop hired a new employee from higher education who has worked with university and high school readiness programs and in the corporate professional development arena. Eileen will be the Alumni and Impact Specialist tracking students after 5th grade to ensure they have access to resources through high school and college. This role is the direct result of the High School Leadership Development program that the club is supporting.

SparkShop will be attending some events in May and throughout the summer.

SparkShop is planning its annual fundraiser on September 17, 2022, which will be their 5th anniversary. They are looking for an outdoor venue for the event that will be at low or no cost where 150-200 people can be accommodated in the downtown Chicago area. If anyone has any ideas or options, contact:

Tiernan@sparkshop.org or Shonali@sparkshp.org

SparkShop will offer some free invitations to the club for anyone who may have an interest in attending.

An invitation was extended to SparkShop to bring some students to the Road America DE event over Memorial Day.

Secretary's Report: (Anna Skura)

The Secretary's report for April 6, 2022, was presented and a motion made to accept and approve meeting minutes.

Motion: Dana Comolli

Second: Cheryl Lehman Collier

Motion Approved

Treasurer's Report: (Bob Danko)

April 2022 total assets are down 47K year over year.

April's highest income sources:

Charity Collections
Autocross School
The Scene
Concours School

April's top expenses:
RADE Final Deposit
2022 Dinner Dance Deposit
Oct 2022 Autobahn Event Deposit
PCA Instructor Jackets
2022 Multi-Region BBQ
2022 Tech shirts
Advance for Blackhawk #1
Autocross School

The Treasurer's report for April 2022 was presented and a motion made to accept and approve the report.

Motion: Cheryl Lehman Collier
Second: Bob Rath
Motion Approved

President's Report: (Stanley Sangdahl)

Charity has been set up as a 'Special Event' on clubregistration to allow members to make online donations to SparkShop and we have a link on our website in the charity section to clubregistration for donations.

Contact is being made with the VFW in Niles to resume periodic in-person meetings. Virtual meetings will continue as they are efficient for all.

A motion was made to move the June meeting from June 1, 2022 to June 8, 2022.

Motion: Stanley Sangdahl
Second: Dana Comolli
Motion Approved

A motion was made for a \$1,000 deposit to The Onion in Barrington for the General Membership meeting scheduled for January 15, 2023.

Motion: Bob Rath
Second: Cheryl Lehman Collier
Motion Approved

Cooper's Hawk in Arlington Heights required a credit card to hold the venue and date for the St. Valentine's luncheon on February 18, 2023.

A motion was made to secure Cooper's Hawk,

Motion: Cheryl Lehman Collier

Second: Bob Rath

Motion Approved

Vice President's Report: (Dana Comolli)

No Report

Past President's Report: (Bob Rath)

No report.

Dinner Dance (Adam Kern)

A deposit for the dinner dance has been made. Shannon Lange will prepare a slide show of the early history of the region for the dinner dance.

Autocross Report: (Adam Kern)

Autocross School was a great time.

Autocross #1 is coming up at the NOW Arena (former Sears Center) on May 14, 2022.

Timing & Scoring Report: (Pete Bukantis)

Pete is preparing documentation/instructions on the timing equipment for the first event as he will not be attending.

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

There are 47 novices registered, 23 driving instructors, 12 instruct only participants for the May 6, 2022, event. The pre-event webinar had 43 participants.

All other events are moving along.

Autobahn DE: (Glenn DeWeirdt/Reported by Stanley Sangdahl)

No report

Gingerman Report: (Glenn DeWeirdt//Reported by Stanley Sangdahl)

No Report

Road America Report: (Cheryl Lehman Collier)

RADE is in good shape; T-shirt design has been finalized and payment will be made this week.

A motion was made to increase the budget for T-shirts from \$2,000 to \$2,600.00 to purchase long sleeved T-shirts.

Motion: Anna Skura

Second: Stanley Sangdahl

Motion Approved

A payment was made to the Elkhart Police Department for street closures. This payment is in lieu of the donation that we have made in the past.

There is a Road America meeting on May 12, 2022, which will be the last meeting before the RADE event.

One or two black and white printers will be purchased for RADE events to use at registration and tower for race sheets.

Porsche NA event at Indy will conflict with TRAC. To promote TRAC, we are taking a full page ad in Club Race News to promote the event. We get a half page ad free so the full-page ad is the cost of a half page ad at \$375.00.

Chief Driving Instructor's Report: (John Ruther)

Instructor jackets have been received and distributed.

The Driving Instructors' Workshop held on March 26, 2022, was a good return on our investment. A vast majority of attendees are going to instruct at Blackhawk and hopefully many will also instruct at RADE.

Safety Report (Todd Conforti)

No Report.

A discussion was held regarding occasional requests for non-members (pro driver) to instruct. An agreement was reached that instructors should be Porsche owners and PCA members who are properly vetted.

Technical Report: (Jody Freund/Reported by Stanley Sangdahl)

No Report.

Concours Report: (Henrique Regina, Alex Block)

There were two events in April. The first Show & Shine partnered with Porsche & Pastries at Labriola had 23 participants. There were four minors participating in the youth judging event. There were several participants from Porsche & Pastries casting votes for Peoples' Choice. Two awards were given – one for newer models and a second for older models.

The Concours Judging School was held on April 24, 2022 and had some participants from the Show & Shine event. Members from the Milwaukee region were in attendance as they are creating a Concours program. This may lead to some joint Concours events in the future.

Looking forward to the first Concours in June.

Rallye Report: (Anna Skura)

Rallye School was held on May 1, 2022, with 15 teams registered. The school was held at Midwest Performance Cars in Northbrook which was an ideal venue because of its location and available space. Rallye School went well and the first part of the practice rallye was good. In the second half of the rallye one of our participating teams was involved in an accident which they did not cause. There was considerable damage to their vehicle but luckily neither occupant sustained any injuries.

Rallye #2 scheduled for July 10, 2022, will be cancelled as we do not have a Rallyemaster. Rallye #1 on May 15, 2022, currently has 12 teams registered.

Approximately eight members participated in the Richta App training. Feedback from most participants was that the presentation was too technical.

Touring Report: (John Diwik/Reported by Stanley Sangdahl)

Approximately 60 individuals are signed up for the Pittsburgh tour. Advertising will continue to increase participation.

Insurance Report: (Bob Rath)

The incident at rallye has been reported, there is damage to the vehicle, but no one was injured.

Social Report: (Reported by Stanley Sangdahl)

Porsches & Pastries along with Concours Show & Shine was well attended with over 100 vehicles despite the weather. LaBriola was great and had a sign outdoors welcoming members.

We have 82 cars and 135 people signed up for Big Door on Saturday, May 7, 2022.

The Chicago Region has been slow to register for the four region BBQ. There are 270 individuals registered with several 356s coming. There are 15 members attending from the 356 Club. A Peoples' Choice contest will be held. Caterer and supplies have been confirmed.

Porsche & Pastries #3 at Black Dog has not yet opened. Food trucks will be available, and beverages will be provided. Robert Safe has a concern about cars being on lifts so we will work with Black Dog to ensure that no vehicle is on a lift.

Membership: (Mark Prescott/ Reported by Stanley Sangdahl)

The Chicago region has 2,418 primary members (a decrease of three since April) and 1,312 affiliate members (a decrease of one since April).

Sponsorship / Dealer Liaison Report: (Dana Comolli)

The Exchange is sponsoring Blackhawk Novice Day and will bring a GT3 that is wrapped. The Exchange is getting into doing wraps themselves rather than outsourcing it. They will provide samples.

The Scene Report: (Neil MacDonald)

The Scene is holding at 40 pages per issue. We will have three new advertisers in the May issue. The half page advertiser on the back inside cover page will be rotated based on seniority.

Social Media Report: (Adam Kern)

No report.

Webmaster's Report: (Dana Comolli)

Web traffic for April 2022 is flat over April 2021. Our page on Porsche model and type codes continues to gain popularity with an average of 20 hits per day.

PCA National is embarking to get Panorama online and they reached out to see how we got our historical *The Scene* editions online.

Historian Report: (Shannon Lange/Reported by Stanley Sangdahl)

Stanley will be working with Shannon Lange to gain access the storage facility to obtain historical information on the region to present in a slide show at the Dinner Dance.

Zone 13 Rep Report: (Mark Roethemeier)

No Report.

Old Business:

Donations to our charity via ClubReg are working well.

New Business:

The 356 Club is sponsoring a presentation by Haggerty discussing the valuation of 356s and early 911s. An invitation has been extended to the Chicago region to attend on November 12, 2022. Before we promote the event, we must ensure it does not conflict with our Fall Tech Session. We are waiting for Jody to confirm the date of the Fall Tech session.

A statement needs to be developed and included in instructions for Rallye and Touring about what needs to be done in the event of an accident. Stanley Sangdahl will work with Bob Rath to create the statement.

Geneva Concours has asked who our contact will be for the event. Registration is done on the Geneva website, but someone from our Club must be listed as contact. Stanley Sangdahl volunteered to take the lead.

A Motion was made to adjourn.

Motion: Dana Comolli

Second: Cheryl Lehman Collier

Motion Approved

Adjournment at 8:50 PM

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday June 8, 2022, at 7:00 PM via Zoom Meeting or at 7:30 PM if in person.