

**Porsche Club of America Chicago Region**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025**  
**FINAL Minutes**

**Voting Board Members Present**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dana Comolli – President	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Michael Bene – Director
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Adam Kern – Vice President	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Pete Bukantis – Director
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Catherine Fischer – Treasurer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Grace Chen – Director
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Pete Hackenson – Secretary	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ross Conforti – Director
<input type="checkbox"/>	Stanley Sangdahl – Past President	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Robert Safe – Director

**Coordinators Present**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dana Comolli – Autobahn/Website/Sponsor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Cheryl Lehman Collier – RADE/TRAC
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Adam Kern – social media	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Pete Bukantis – Blackhawk/AX Timing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Todd Conforti – Blackhawk, Safety	<input type="checkbox"/>	David Bowers – Autocross
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Pete Hackenson – Blackhawk	<input type="checkbox"/>	Barb Mashburn – Concours
<input type="checkbox"/>	Glenn DeWeirdt – Gingerman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Robert Safe – Social
<input type="checkbox"/>	Neil French – Gingerman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	John Moore – Concours
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mark Palmer – Gingerman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jack Steidle – Future Rallye
<input type="checkbox"/>	Susan Shire – Club Race Registration	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jake Steidel – Future Rallye
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Bob Rath – Insurance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Brian Scifers – Future Rallye
<input type="checkbox"/>	James Kaikis – Membership	<input type="checkbox"/>	John Ruther – Chief Driving Instructor
<input type="checkbox"/>	<open> - Historian	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cliff Horn – RADE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jody Freund – Drivers Ed Tech	<input type="checkbox"/>	Todd Benz – Zone 13 Representative
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Natalie Szabo – The Scene	<input type="checkbox"/>	Debbie Leed – Car Numbers/Member DB
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ed Leed –Car Numbers/Member DB	<input type="checkbox"/>	Steve Olson - Rallye
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tess Conforti – social media	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Karen Stephensen – Rallye
<input type="checkbox"/>	Derek Chen – Dinner Dance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sharon Gregor – Rallye
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Grace Chen – Dinner Dance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Jack Stephensen – Rallye

***This meeting was held via Zoom video conferencing***

**Others:**

Mark Prescott, Joel Kaphengst, PCA's Fathom Notetaker,

### **Secretary's Report (Pete Hackenson)**

The meeting started with 8 present; a quorum at 7:02pm

Request motion to accept Minutes with minor corrections to be made based on a few comments received.

Motion: Robert Safe

Second: Ross Conforti

Accepted: Passed unanimously

### **Treasurer's Report (Catherine Fischer)**

The club's financial summary starts with total assets in March 2025 of \$795,056, compared to March 2024 of \$701,718. Cash assets in March 2025 was \$496,615 compared to March 2024 of \$516,330. Income for March was \$16,737 with a YTD of \$43,690. Our expenses were \$16,312 and YTD of (\$58,880).

Top income sources were Events, PCA Rebate and Scene.

Top monthly payments were RADE deposit, Autobahn deposit, Scene, and Valentines Day.

Total bank account balances, including checking, savings and CDs Total \$447,482 as opposed to 2024 of \$457,716.

Charity money will be paid quarterly. YTD is \$5,455.

Request: motion to accept financials

Motion: Pete Bukantis

Second: Robert Safe

Accepted: Passed unanimously

### **President's Report (Dana Comolli)**

Dana attended Zone Meeting in Springfield on March 14-15 via zoom. Good meeting.

Dana reported one of our members is a PHD student doing a study on brand loyalty. They asked if this student could interview some of our members, which is completely optional. Dana will coordinate.

### **Vice President's Report (Adam Kern)**

Looking forward to autocross school. No further report.

### **Past President's Report (Stanley Sangdahl)**

No Report

**Autocross Report (David Bowers)**

Helmets dated 2020 and 2015 are still usable. 2025 are not available yet. No other report

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

No Report

**Blackhawk Farms Report (Todd Conforti, Pete Hackenson, and Pete Bukantis)**

Upcoming instructor school and novice day. Novice day is down about 25 drivers currently. The Exchange will buy lunch for instructor day. We have security starting Wednesday and overnight to Friday for those doing both days.

**Gingerman Report (Glenn DeWeirdt)**

No report

**Road America Report (Ross Conforti, Cheryl Lehman Collier)**

Moving along. Corner workers will be through RA. T Shirt design in place. Cliff will chair, Todd and Ross as backup. Working a To Do list for prep. RA will help manage registration and Joel is working on volunteers. Need more novices. Might have a sponsor for Pizza party.

**Autobahn Report (Dana Comolli)**

Street survival is almost sold out. No other report

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

The instructor workshop had 44 instructors

**Concours Report (John Moore, Barb Mashburn)**

The concourse school went well with 85 people attending. A Turtle Wax R&D Director from Texas was the featured speaker.

Judges school at MPC in Westmont was well attended

1<sup>st</sup> Show and shine coming up in May

**Dinner Dance (Grace and Derek Chen)**

The Club is very pleased that Grace has volunteered again to coordinate the 2025 Diner Dance event at the Weston in Wheeling. She will be working with their planner, Jennifer to start the "Process"

**Historian Report (Open)**

No Report

**Insurance Report (Bob Rath)**

No additional Report

**Membership Report (James Kaikis)**

Membership Information provided directly from James, no other report. Dana noted many folks moving out of the region.

**Rallye Report (Jack, Karen, Sharon, Steve)**

Registration is open for the rally school on May 4. Rallye 1 is open on CR.

There was a discussion about publishing Rallye events in the scene. Pictures need to be included and should be available on our website. Dana can help coordinate photos on our website.

While the coordinators understand now that photos need to be included with the Scene article(s) presented for publication, the real crux of the meeting's discussion revolved around whose responsibility it is to secure a photographer for a Club event. It was/is not clear whether the coordinators need to recruit a photographer for any of their events or is photographer representation pre-scheduled. The other question was how to gain access to the photos.

In the end, it was left that the Club photographers (Neil, Jeff and Derek) would organize among themselves attendance at the events. With respect to access to the photos, the event coordinators could contact Dana. If Neil, Jeff, or Derek are not available, participant's photos could be submitted as well.

**Safety Report (Todd Conforti and Jody *Freund* Tech)**

No Report

**Social Media (Adam Kern)**

No Report

**Technical Report (Jody *Freund*)**

Our First Tech Session will be our Spring Event at NorthStar Motorsports. The new Tech sheets will be presented with a lot of Q & A.

**Social Report (Robert Safe)**

Up and Coming events with Registration open

- Calibre Coffee was well attended. Body Builders sponsored cups.
- May 4<sup>th</sup> Labriola

#### **Potters Picnic (Catherine Fischer)**

No report

#### **Sponsorship / Dealer Liaison Report (Dana Comolli)**

Iron Gate will be building a new facility and will be sponsoring events. Body builders would like to sponsor events. Dana will coordinate with them about RADE pizza party and possibly Blackhawk.

#### **The Scene Report (Natalie Szabo)**

No report

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

No Report

#### **Webmaster's Report (Dana Comolli)**

Web report was supplied in meeting invitation

#### **Zone 13 Rep Report (Todd Benz)**

Todd Benz is the new zone rep, no report.

#### **New Business**

None

#### **Action Items**

Next meeting is May 7, 2025

Motion to Adjourn

Motion: Pete Bukantis

Second: Robert Safe

Meeting Adjourned at 7:58PM