

# Porsche Club of America Chicago Region

## Board of Directors Meeting

July 9, 2025

### FINAL Minutes

#### Voting Board Members Present

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dana Comolli – President	<input type="checkbox"/>	Michael Bene – Director
<input type="checkbox"/>	Adam Kern – Vice President	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Pete Bukantis – Director
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Catherine Fischer – Treasurer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Grace Chen – Director
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mark Prescott – Secretary	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ross Conforti – Director
<input checked="" 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 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 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 type="checkbox"/>	Bob Rath – Insurance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Brian Scifers – Future Rallye
<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Jody Freund – Drivers Ed Tech	<input type="checkbox"/>	Todd Benz – Zone 13 Representative
<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Steve Olson – Rallye (in background)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tess Conforti – social media	<input type="checkbox"/>	Karen Stephensen – Rallye
<input type="checkbox"/>	Derek Chen – Dinner Dance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sharon Gregor – Rallye
<input type="checkbox"/>	Grace Chen – Dinner Dance	<input type="checkbox"/>	Jack Stephensen – Rallye

*This meeting was held via Zoom video conferencing*

**Others:**

**Secretary's Report (Mark Prescott)**

The meeting started with 7 board members present: a quorum at 7:01pm

Request motion to accept Minutes that were sent out.

Motion: Stan Sangdahl

Second: Pete Bukantis

Accepted: Passed unanimously

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

Need to approve May financials now that all RADE costs are in (and added May Concours). Additions for RADE totaled \$400. The net difference was about \$13.

Motion to approve May 2025 financials:

Motion: Pete Bukantis

Second: Stanley Sangdahl

Accepted: Passed unanimously.

For June:

The club's financial summary starts with total assets in June 2025 of \$690,378, compared to June 2024 of \$751,349. Cash assets in June 2025 were \$417,977 compared to June 2024 of \$429,919. Income for June was \$31,904 with a YTD of \$270,461. Our expenses were -\$24,559 and YTD of -\$245,827.

Top income sources were Events, Scene.

Top monthly payments were Scene, Events.

Total bank account balances, including checking, savings and CDs Toal \$437,404 as opposed to 2024 of \$406,899.

Charity collected YTD is \$15,955 versus \$10,480 last year.

Top receivables are Napleton.

Net profits YTD versus last year are +\$21,414 due to Rade clearing costs this year.

Events were reviewed by each, everything did well.

Motion: Stanley Sangdahl

Second: Ross Conforti

Accepted: Passed unanimously

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

No report

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

No report.

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

No Report – Will be getting together a nominating committee for next year positions.

### **Autocross Report (David Bowers)**

From David Bowers via Email:

We held our 2nd event on 6/14 with 59 timed entries and 8 no-shows. It was a great event with competitors getting 11 runs in during the day.

Looking ahead to the 9/13/25 AX5 event that coincides with PCA's 70th anniversary, I'm thinking of ways to make the event unique and have explored the following:

- 1) Having the team from MPC fire up the grill for attendees with hot dogs/brats/burgers – estimate of costs tbd.
- 2) Have a one-off competitive event for those that have top time in each of their respective classes – where the highest and lowest times of that competitor's class are averaged, and the competitor will have 1 attempt to get as close to that average time as possible. (i.e. – top time for B1 is 35 seconds, but the average time is 40 second. They will have to try to get as close to 40 seconds on a single attempt as possible). The top three competitors with the closest times to their class average would each receive a \$50 voucher good towards any future event within 1 year (\$150 total). Dana, please let me know if you see any issues here.
- 3) I considered having Sim Drive Chicago bring their trailer with 3 sim rigs out for the day, however their quoted price is \$4000 and that would wipe out most (if not all) of the AX program's budgeted profit for the year. I don't see this as a feasible option given the cost, but I wanted to make note of it to see if any board members felt I should be doing more for the 9/13 event than what I'm planning on with items 1 & 2.

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

No Report

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

June 20 event made some money. Thanks to all who helped. Modified schedule to help with track time. Wet in the am, dry in the PM

July event upcoming – room for more.

New this year, having Tacos at the track.

**Gingerman Report (Glenn DeWeirdt)**

No report

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

TRAC is ramping. Registration opens on 7/14/25. Pricing is set for all drivers. Minor changes to schedule and will augment registration with RA personnel, Pricing for camping and electricity is set and better planned for this year. EHL Police have not responded about blocking the street. Need pricing for dinner. Quotes needed for swag. Need to discuss trophies based on feedback from surveys.

John Ruther and Greg Turek will drive pace car.

Offering a track walk on Friday night.

Eurosport will offer snacks during the Intro to Club Racing reception on Friday evening.

Stanley is working on parking, Joel organizing volunteers.

This year the racing will be live streamed including DE. May turn off a few cameras during DE for privacy reasons.

**Autobahn Report (Dana Comolli)**

Full track event on July 28. Registration is on par with previous events. Expecting 60-some-odd drivers.

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

No report

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

No report

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

No report

**Historian Report (Open)**

No Report

**Insurance Report (Bob Rath)**

No report

**Membership Report (James Kaikis)**

Membership report was emailed for everyone to review.

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

Rallye 1, Sunday June 8th. Steve and Sharon Olson were the Rallyemasters. Twenty teams participated. Jack and Karen Stephensen won first place.

Bob and Lynn Friend won first place Novice.

Rallye 2 is Sunday, July 20th – Registration is open. New Rallye Masters – Charles Mills and Laura Ferraro. They are being mentored by Susan Shire and Steve Rashbaum, who will also perform the pre run.

Rallye 3 is Sunday, August 17th – Registration is open. New Rallye Masters – Jack and Jake Steidle. They are being mentored by Steve and Sharon Olson, who will also perform the pre-run.

News: Parade Rallye. Bob Rath and Cindy Jacisin won first in their class and 3<sup>rd</sup> overall, Jack and Karen Stephensen won 2<sup>nd</sup> place in their class and 6<sup>th</sup> overall. Particularly good results for Chicago region

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

One incident at BHF with brake failure.

### **Social Media (Adam Kern)**

No Report

### **Technical Report (Jody Freund, Cliff Horn)**

No report.

### **Social Report (Robert Safe)**

Barnaba was well attended and excellent job by volunteers. Next is Palos Heights (non PCA event, then Potters. Need Volunteers. Westmont upcoming (non PCA). Super Dawgs is firm. Booked Coopers Hawk for next Valentines day to hold the place.

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

No band – playlist with speakers. Yes on ice cream. Expecting 275 people.

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

Exchange will provide Pace car, need more to respond

### **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)**

No report.

**New Business**

After the BOD meeting, an email discussion occurred among voting members regarding the need to switch the region accounting software to QuickBooks online due to the desktop version of QuickBooks being terminated. It was also noted that we do not have a license; we are currently using the license held by our Treasurer's company.

Motion - by Dana Comolli to purchase a license and move to the online version

Second – Mark Prescott

Motion passed unanimously via email

**Action Items:**

Next meeting is August 6, 2025

Motion to Adjourn

Motion: Pete Bukantis

Second: Ross Conforti

Motion passed unanimously

Meeting Adjourned at 7:34PM