

I. Call to Order (RE -Terrance) - 9:04 AM

II. Roll Call (Secretary - Julia)

Terrance Pearson - RE

Matt Helm - ARE

Becky Pearson - Treasurer

Julia Moore - Secretary

Kevin Cose - Trustee

Mike Bankowski - Trustee, AutoX Chair

Kent Hamilton - RallyX Chair - Zoom

Tiffany Miranda - Membership Chair

Mike Miranda - Member

Ulf Asplund - Member

Don Hendrickson - member - Zoom

Quorum is met - must include 10 members, 4 of which are on the board with 2 of those being officers.

III. Opening Comments - (Terrance) - It's dark and Winter is here! We keep rolling along and have made lots of progress this year. All programs have done well with increased participation and a great safety record.

Kent Hamilton held a RallyX safety steward training program with 6 participants. Three of them shadowed 2 events and when the paperwork is complete they will be official RallyX safety Stewards.

We're all looking forward to the 2024 Season!

IV. Changes to and Approval of Agenda

Julia motions to approve the agenda, Mike B 2nd, no objections. Approved

V. Approval of Minutes from last BoD meeting

Julia passes around a copy for members to read or they view them online through the club website. Matt motions to approve the minutes, Becky 2nd, no objections, BoD meeting minutes from Sept 9, 2023 Approved.

VI. Approval of Minutes from annual Meeting

Again a copy is available for review on the website and a hardcopy was available at the meeting. Julia motions to approve the annual meeting minutes from October 26, 2023. Matt 2nd, no objections, annual meeting minutes Approved.

VI. Program Reports

A. Treasurer (Becky)

Bank account = \$ 14,915.67 as of 12/9/2023

Autocross \$ 18,177.28 credits
 \$ - 10,400.78 debits
 \$ 7,776.50 profit

Rallycross \$ 421.12 credits
Misc expenses \$ - 3,339.21 (web site, van insurance, new cones, PO box, st of AK)
Road Rally '22 \$ 445.27
Adam - van store\$ -1575.00

B. Membership (Tiffany)

134 Current members (up from 126 at the end of last year), 4 due to expire, 2 renewals. Goal is to produce 2 news letters a year and keep posting flyers. Would be great to add print expenses into the budget so we can post flyers in high traffic areas.

C. Auto Cross (Mike)

We had a successful season, the only thing left for this year is the end of the season trophies, which has a \$1000.00 budget. Thinking about engraved coffee mugs for 1st places and pint glasses for 2nd /3rd places. Any objections?

Terrance adds that as Autocross Chair Mike gets to decide how he's going to spend his budget and that the hardest part is scheduling and locking in the venue, it can be really tedious. Hopefully we can continue to build our pool of safety stewards and also get more volunteers to run timing and scoring.

Becky suggests holding another training class for timing and scoring in the spring. Kevin agrees and adds that our AxWare software has a help file.

Mike Bankowski proposes to have 2 schools next year. The first school would be for those new to autocross and the 2nd school could be for more advanced drivers. With this idea he says we could hold the race event on Sat and then using the same course the school would help drivers hone their skills. Terrance liked this idea and said that the contacts and pro drivers he met last year he thinks we could draw some talent to help with this idea. Becky recommended we bring up some of the lady drivers they met. Becky has great ideas!!!!

D. RallyCross (Kent)

RallyCross had a good season and we're finished for the year. After championship trophies have been purchased we should break even for the season.

Kent held a RX safety steward training class in early October. There were 6 participants. 3 of them shadowed 2 events each and when the paperwork is complete we'll have 3 new safety stewards. The other 3 participants need 1 more shadow event each to be fully qualified. Let's Go!

Safety Steward training will also be given for the Kenai Peninsula. Dates TBD.

Action Item : Kent will reach out to the City of Palmer to renew the Fairgrounds permit.

E. Road Rally (Terrance) - We'll kick off the road rally season this December 30 with the annual winter year end event and championship celebration at the last stop.... Gallos Mexican Restaurant, where we'll crown the Season champ!

Terrance proposes \$ 100.00 budget for printed material and to set up the road rally course. Matt 2nds the motion, No objections. Approved.

Terrance is hopeful that we could have a few more road rally events in 2024. We, the Arctic Region SCCA, support anyone who wants to hold an event provided they go through proper SCCA channels complete with listing and registration on MotorSportsReg and proper Safety Officials. We'd also support Road Rally Safety steward training.

VII. Old Business

A. Kenai Peninsula committee report and Recommendations

Committee comprised of Becky Pearson - chair, Kent Hamilton, Kevin Cose, David Carpick, Claire Holdaway, Jack Holdaway, Cheryl Babbe

The committee met twice and came up with the following recommendations:

1. Work on growing the membership in the Kenai/Soldotna areas by:

a. Incorporate a co-Chair program where one person from Anchorage works with a person from the K/S area to co-chair events for autocross/rallycross/road rally in order to educate and help the process flow and transition smoothly.

- b. Create opportunities to provide more safety steward trainings
- c. Offer more events in the K/S area for AutoX/Rx/RR and possibly Hill climb
- d. Hold some of the general membership meetings and at least 1 BoD meeting in the K/S area and make the Anchorage meetings available via zoom.

2. There was a discussion of starting a new chapter for the K/S area, however, the majority thought it is something to discuss in the future, possibly, but for now the work should focus on the items listed above.

3. There is a Sports Show May 3-5, 2024 by the Realtors Association and it is said that it reaches almost 12,000 folks in the K/S area. The thought is to get a booth for the Arctic Alaska SCCA and hopefully get more people in the area interested in joining us for some good fun and building community and increasing our membership. Booth would cost approx \$450.00. We would need volunteers to help work the booth.

A long discussion followed the K/S Committee Report...

Don is willing to work the booth, and is hoping more folks will join him. Terrance and Becky plan to help also if we do indeed go ahead with the booth. Had more discussion on this topic about how we could entice people to check us out. Could offer a free weekend membership or just invite folks to ride along (like we regularly do).

Terrance brought up some concerns about starting a new chapter. He thinks that there should already be approximately 50 members in an area to support a new chapter. And that we should start with an initial K/S co-chair/ representative/ liaison at the grassroots level that has been advertised and solicited on social media/ email etc to let interested participants know that we are actively seeking to fill the position. Ultimately this would be a Board approved volunteer that would help coordinate autocross, rallycross and road rally events. This person would make sure all events have proper SCCA sanctions and insurance and meet all safety requirements. Currently the autocross is probably the easier one to start with because we already have the venue set (Sky View Middle School). For Rallycross, the questions were directed more to Don as he is involved with the Lions Club at the Twin City Raceway on the Peninsula. How do you see we coordinate rallycross events considering the lions club is already active?

Kent commented that he would like to work with Don and see about setting up a test and tune event this winter. Don and Kent agreed to collaborate and co-chair.

B. Van Storage -

Sometime in the spring or summer of 2022 Former RE and beloved friend Chad Barnes had entered a verbal agreement with Adam Poole to store the Van on Adam's property

with a rental fee of \$75/month. The van has indeed been stored on Adams property since May 2022 (recorded in Oct 2022 BoD meeting minutes). Terrance comments that we should pay Adam and write up a BoD authorized formal contract complete with a monthly invoice and receipt.

Kevin chimes in that yeah, the only time we had security issues was when the van was stored at an official storage facility..... Laughter.

Julia suggests we make the contract annually or semi-annual for ease of paperwork.

Terrance proposes we pay Adam \$1575.00 = (21 months x \$75.00 / month) for the time the van has been on his property. Matt motions to approve the proposal, Kevin 2nds the motion, No objections except that Terrance asks for a Roll Call vote:

In favor of paying Adam Poole \$1575.00 for the time period May 2022-Dec 2023?

Terrance - yes, Matt - yes, Becky - yes, Julia - yes, Kevin - yes, Mike - yes, Wayne - not present. Motion approved.

Action Item - Becky to cut a check to Adam and ask for confirmation of receipt.

The BoD members took a short break from 11:58 am to 12:02 pm

VIII. New Business

A. Radio's -(Kevin) Motorola T270 (\$56/pair)

The club currently has 8 working radios, 2 have stopped working, and 1 has microphone problems. Kevin proposes replacing those non working radios with 3 new pairs of Motorola T270 models. They are waterproof and compatible with our current radios. The proposed 3 pairs will fill up the storage box which can hold 14 radios and we will have enough as the club grows. $\$56 \times 3 \text{ pairs} = \$ 168.00$.

Terrance Motions to approve budget of \$200 for buying new radios. Matt 2nd, no objections. Approved

B. AxeWare Status- Kevin has been working with the AxeWare software to use all the functions available to us. He is setting it up to be able to have it reliably calculate event points and championship places. Good work Kevin!

C. ARP booth - Mike Bankowski, autocross chair, is really on top of it...he proposes planning now for the free booth space we are allotted at the big car show at Alaska Raceway Park that happens in conjunction with Race Wars and our usual autocross event in July. Everyone agrees and is thankful that he is thinking proactively. We're hoping more members will consider volunteering at the booth and helping us grow the club.

D. BoD nominations for volunteer of the Year - Tiffany suggests recognizing one of our outstanding volunteers and making this an annual event. We could engage members and have them decide in the future. All board members have noticed there is a lot more participation and agree this is a good idea. Benefits of achieving this award were tossed around... trophy, certificate, free event, gift card, engraved award. Terrance asked for nominations...

The names that came up were: Curtis Hupton... often the first to arrive and the last to leave, goes out of his way to talk to folks. Both Mike Bankowski and Kevin Cose for their fortitude in making the autocross a successful season. Becky and Tiffany for their attention to detail and for showing up at events without the benefit of competing.

Julia tally's the votes and Curtis Hupton, the 2023 winner, will be announced at the year end Party.

E. Season Trophies

Terrance motions for a budget of \$100.00 for Tiffany to spend on the volunteer award. Matt 2nds the motion, no objections. Approved.

F. Registration Modification - Tiffany

Tiffany proposes to adjust closing registration to 1hr before the course is set up. This modification would allow and promote participants to help set up the course after preparing their cars, then everybody (including the registrars, timing & scoring personnel, and others helping with set up) would have time to prepare their cars and walk the course. The new schedule flow would look like this:

7-8 am Car Registration and Preparation

8-9 am Course set up and walk the course

9:30 am drivers meeting

10 am first car on track

G. Charter Renewal (Kent)

This is an online self certification - form 990 with the SCCA that needs to be completed by the end of February 2024. Kent says he's on it! Terrance chimes in that our 2023 season needs to be closed out and that everything including the road rally event has to be audited and completed before Kent can complete this task.

A question - do we have to do the audit all over again for the end of the year and before Kent can renew the charter. The answer was - no- that we already completed the first Arctic Region annual audit that took place in October and it will be performed again in October 2024.

IX. Board Comments and Other Business

Julia asks what we decided to do regarding the 60 extra cones that were printed and offered to the club at the same price and shipping as the 200 we ordered. Most everyone reacted in unison with the thought that if there was a discount on shipping or ½ price on cones for their mistake we would have considered purchasing the additional cones but no deal for the extra cones is a no deal from us.

In closing Terrance exclaims that he is passionate about autocross and our club! He Doesn't want to come across as inflexible or dictatorial but has expectations to function at a high level and do our best for the good of the members. It's our responsibility as a Board to establish the direction and tone with measurable results. Mike and Kent have done phenomenal jobs as Chairs for Autox and Rallyx, respectively. Lets keep up the good work!

Matt addresses Terrance and says he appreciates Terance's drive and vision. He has seen other boards become unmotivated because of dysfunction and unrealistic demands. Currently we have a well functioning, supportive Board.

X. Adjournment - Julia motions to adjourn the meeting, Mike 2nds, no objections.Meeting adjourned at 11:53 PM

Action Item : Becky to cut a check to Adam and ask for confirmation of receipt.

Action Item : Kent will reach out to the City of Palmer to renew the Fairgrounds permit.

Action Item : Kent renew Charter