

Aug 4, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Arctic Alaska Region, Sports Car Club of America via Zoom

BOD in attendance: Paul Anderson (acting RE), Ken Martens (Treasurer), Julia Moore (Secretary), Kevin Cose (Trustee), Ulf Asplund(Trustee),
Committee Chairs: Becky Pearson (membership), Terrance Pearson (AutoX), Kent Hamilton (RallyX)
Members: Michael Bankowski, brief appearance at the end Wayne Curtis

Call to Order (Paul): (6:33 pm)

Move to amend Agenda (Julia) to include discussion of contents of mailbox

Group Approval of Agenda

Past minutes: April and May 2022 Motion to accept the drafts (Ken), seconded (Ulf). Motion passed and will be posted on Arctic Region SCCA to website.

REPORTS:

Treasurer (Ken): as of 7/29/22 there is \$16,204.00 in the bank account. \$738 outstanding debt - \$600.00 to Kids Kupboard from our fundraiser and \$138.00 to Kevin Cose for PO box rental. Ken requested receipts from Kevin in order to get reimbursement for timing equipment. Motion to accept treasure report (Kevin), 2nd (Julia), no objections, approved.

Membership (Becky): currently 129 Members with 1 to expire in August. Motion to accept membership report (Ken), 2nd (Ulf), no objections, approved.

AutoX (Terrance): as of the meeting time 22 competitors are signed up for the upcoming Aug 6 autocross event # 7, trophies have not been ordered. (But were ordered the next day - whew! 1 day before the event! Bovey Trophies have been good to us!).

Recap of event #6 - The event was well attended and the presence of Chad's family was an extra bonus. Chad's Father led a parade lap in Chad's Miata (#7) and then he completed a solo lap to honor Chad. Thanks to everyone who stayed after the event and manned the corners so that Chad's family could get a feel for the sport Chad loved. The canvass of his picture will also be at the next event. All members are encouraged to sign it and share memories for Shannon and his 2 young sons, Graham and Nolan.

The Expert season ended prior to event # 6 with Chad Barnes taking the winner spot. Going forward, the rest of the season will determine the outcome for 2nd and 3rd places.

Sunday Aug 7 is the Parkstrip show and shine - all are encouraged to show up and help create a welcoming, intriguing, and inviting atmosphere for potential new SCCA members.

RaceWars got moved to August 27, we will have a booth. Terrance plans to go out early and set up. Again - help manning the booth would be greatly appreciated!
Motion to accept AutoX report (Ken), 2nd (Julia), no objections, approved.

RallyX (Kent) - scheduling and paperwork are being submitted for 4 events this fall:

Oct 8 & 22,

Nov 5,

Dec 3

Kevin is going on record that he is not thrilled with ice events at the fairgrounds! It tends to rip studs out of tires :(

Motion to approve RallyX report (Kevin), 2nd (Julia), no objections, approved.

Road Rally - none planned at this time unless someone is willing to organize... Paul asked if anyone wanted to take this on with no response from those attending the meeting. He exclaimed that we have a board to support RoadRally but no volunteers to organize or run it.

OLD BUSINESS:

Van: more discussion about storage costs and ease of location. There will be a rate hike to \$80 per month at the end of August. The financial worry is that if we cancel our contract now and want to pick it up again at a later date that the cost will double or more. Current rate was quoted as \$147/month for a new corporate account. Brainstorming questions - can we keep the same payment schedule but move the van to a northern lot like Eagle River? (action item for Ken to check on)

Could we store it at ARP, maybe their rate would be acceptable? (action item for Terrance)

Continue storing van at Adam's ?- which has already been at Adam's for 3 months and is acknowledged as a lot of goodwill on Adam's part (Thank you for your Generosity Adam!) Now the question becomes how much does the club owe him? Going forward Is a handshake deal good enough for the club or do we need a formal contract? (action item for Paul to reach out for clarity and to check if this is a realistic possibility and for how long?)

Drifting- at the last meeting it was suggested that maybe we need to update supplemental materials but the comment at this meeting is that no intentional drifting rules are already part of the SCCA Standards. For clarity and as a reminder it was suggested that it be mentioned again at drivers meetings. If intentional drifting is pursued during an event the correction will be for the Safety Steward to approach the driver with a kind reminder. If the driver walks away a refund may be considered. If the behavior continues the driver may be disqualified and asked to leave the premises. If the situation escalates it might be necessary to stop the event for the rest of the day.

NEW BUSINESS:

Nominating Committee - Kent Hamilton agreed to chair this committee. Now he is seeking interested members to serve and keep our club functioning and running smoothly. We'd all love it if you would get involved!

Terrance suggested that we ask the general membership for interested individuals. Kevin suggested that it be at the next drivers meeting. We reviewed the bylaws which say the Regional Executive has to have served on the board for at least 1 year and that has to have been within the last 5 years. That person also has to be a current member of the Arctic Region

SCCA. While most of the current board members are willing to continue serving, it is also paramount to bring on new members in order to grow the potential for future RE's and to have a generally involved membership.

Other ways members can be of service other than being on the board of directors would be to help with the timing and scoring, become a safety steward, course design, being on autoX, rallyX, or road rally committees and help put on events, help the club have a presence on social media, help get the van from storage to the event and back to the storage location.

Big Shout out and **THANK YOU to Michael Bankowski** for taking the initiative to complete the online Safety Steward class. With a few shadow/mentor events he can be autonomous as a Safety Steward. Whoop, Whoop!!! (So could you Wayne...with a kind and jovial nudge... get your paperwork done!!!!)

Season Awards - the 2 big questions to be answered are the obvious when and where? Last year the awards ceremony was a combined event in December at Gallos that included AutoX, RallyX and Road Rally. Terrance raised the question: do we want to do that again? The ensuing discussion centered on the pros and cons and personal taste.

Pro: Gallos has a reasonably nice room and set up. They are willing to work with us and the room rental is free if you also get the buffet. Ken liked the combined event last year and Paul liked the holiday party atmosphere.

Con: same thing, different year (? Is that a con or a pro? Why invent the wheel again unless you get a better grip!!?) Also Xmas and New Years are both on Saturdays this year.

Other ideas: Palmer Ale house might be a more central location but might cost more. I knowledgeable estimate was room rental of \$300 or more with an additional \$1600 min for food. Another idea could be to combine our end of the year awards with Porsche Club. If you want to have input, speak up! - contact Terrance, chair of the autoX committee.

Marketing: (Maybe this should come under the old business heading since it is a common meeting item?) Terrance stated that we have potential to show a greater presence at community events such as 4th of July and Fur Rondy parades. Of course the concern about what it would cost the club came up and a further suggestion that the club consider each event case by case.

Quarterly Grants might be available from the national SCCA for marketing and radio spot announcements etc.

Mail box: A bill from progressive for van insurance renewal. **Thank you Ken for taking care of that the next day!** That would totally suck if the van was not able to be on site for our events.

Biennial Report is due. (Action item for Kent)

Kevin motioned to end the meeting. Ken 2nd, no objections. Meeting adjourned at 7:49 pm