

Northwest Region SCCA

Minutes from the NWR Board Meeting of 02 December 2013

The meeting was called to order at 6:59 PM by RE John Taylor at Poodle Dog in Fife.

In Attendance: John Taylor, RE;
 Sandy Taylor, Treasurer - Race;
 Chuck Huffington, ARE - Race;
 Richard Willy, ARE - Solo;
 and Steve Schattenbild, Secretary

Minutes from the November 4th meeting were incomplete; to be reviewed at the January 6th meeting.

Treasurer report:

John Taylor provided a comprehensive reconciliation of accounts as of 02 December 2013. In review, salient points are Region with a current balance of \$14,206.29 and accounts payable of \$5,625.05, with a remaining balance of \$8,581.24, and Race with a current balance of \$11,914.68 and accounts receivable of \$3909.30 and accounts payable (including 2014 deposits) of \$19,245.42, with a remaining balance of -\$3,421.44. Accounts payable not included are considerable legacy accounts from previous years currently totaling \$12,986.38, which are currently being addressed with structured payment plans. As such, Race is short approximately \$4000. Some differences between this year and next is the consolidation of Time Trials with Race, which should result in more entries, thus more revenues. This years April event for Race lost \$11,000. Next year will have no April event; we've now moved into a July event. The August Race from Ridge netted about \$9,000 surplus. Chuck is working on bringing these events from running in the red to running in the black. Sponsorship is key to this endeavor. Rally has a \$174 balance with a \$14 account payable.

Due to an accounting confusion, accounts for Race and Regional were transposed, resulting in a confusing picture of account statuses. This has been rectified.

In simplifying account management, a switch to Wells Fargo from Bank of America for all accounts is being considered. The executive is working toward a regularly generated financial report in order to work towards generating a fiscal budget. Due to changes with National's billing for the Majors, we will be receiving a consolidated due as opposed to an itemized breakout. Additionally, Majors cost will be increasing. Until this is received, we are unable to set entrance fees.

John Taylor motions to advance a loan of \$4000 to Race from Region. This is to help current Race expenses, to be reimbursed as revenues allow in the coming year. The motion is seconded by Richard Willy and passed, with no opposed.

Race

All race issues have been previously discussed.

Time Trials

Combining Time Trials into Race events will decrease costs of Time Trial events and increase revenues of Race events. Resistance to bringing Time Trials into race has been encountered, and while it would be preferable to maintain separation between those events, it is not a financially viable alternative at this time.

Solo

There are some invoices from National that are unclear as to their disposition, and the request is made to Solo to review these invoices to determine if they have been paid and if evidence of payment is available.

As some of these invoices date back to 2011, it is important to pay them if they are valid. One of the problems was that previously, if partial payments to National did not specify what the payment was for, it was applied to outstanding invoices haphazardly. All payments should be associated with an invoice and tracked by NWR.

John Taylor has consolidated ordering permissions on the Authorized Order List with Rick Martin, allowing three authorized persons to order materials; John Taylor, Christie Dunn, and Sonya Vasquez. This has been done to increase accountability in ordering materials from National.

Drift

No discussion.

BMP/Ridge

Contract with Ridge has been set. Some discussion ensued about attempts by one partner to sell the Ridge and effects on any contracts. Belief is that it will not affect current contracts.

BMP has forwarded an invoice to Gretchen Everett for the Tire Rack Street Survival, and she has forwarded this to John Taylor, who has resolved it. Due to the dilapidated nature of the track and the lack of maintenance performed by BMP, and the consolidation of Time Trials into Race, the only foreseeable possible continued use of BMP would be for Tire Rack Street Survival courses. Overall opinion of continued use of BMP is not positive.

Website

No new discussion on website.

Membership

John Forespring is not available with membership numbers.

Tire Rack Street Survival

The last event was held in October, the next will be held at Pacific Raceways at zero cost to NWR. They will allow the use of classrooms, and they would like to split proceeds, to which we have agreed. We need to determine if their concessionaire will be used or whether we can provide our own lunch process.

Rally Group NW

No new business.

Rally Cross

Steve Warner held the last Rally Cross was held on November 16th and 17th, holding both a day and night rally cross. Rally went well with no incidents. John Taylor would like to confer with Steve Warner and John Forespring concerning coming up with a better situation for holding additional events, as that property can only support four events per year without a special land use permit.

Road rally

No new business.

Old Business

60th Banquet turned out well. As John has planned the banquet for the last three years, he recommends strongly that next year be planned by committee. A north venue is recommended to closer position the event to members living in the northern sound area. Southcenter, Bellevue, Issaquah are possible recommendations.

Both calling and mailings were positive drivers for the event, however next year they need to happen

earlier. Venue search should probably begin as early as March. Venue should include relatively close lodging to allow for those who desire to stay overnight.

Budget

To be discussed at next meeting.

Nominations

Most of the open board positions have been filled, and this will suffice for the present.

New Business

No new business.

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No new business.

John Taylor moved to adjourn, Chuck Huffington seconded and the motion passed.
The meeting is adjourned at 8:31 PM