

Northwest Region SCCA

Minutes from the NWR Board Meeting of 04 August 2014

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by RE John Taylor at Poodle Dog in Fife.

In Attendance: John Taylor, RE;
 Scott Miller, ARE;
 Chuck Huffington, ARE - Race;
 John Forespring, Membership Chair;
 and Steve Schattenbild, Secretary

The July minutes were reviewed, modifications to the TRSS donation were made concerning Sonya's handling of the Sponsorship revenue. Chuck Huffington moved to accept the minutes, Steve Schattenbild seconded, and the motion passed with no objections.

Treasurer report:

New corporation paperwork has been submitted, and response is being awaited from Secretary of State. The new corporation will be SCCANWR, Inc. Sonya Vasquez will act as the registered agent for the first year. Tax Exempt paperwork has been started, and 3-year projections will be required. We will file for a business license as a new corporation and open a retail sales tax account with the state. Region currently has roughly \$15,000 in accounts.

Race

Due to some recent questionable events of relative import at the last race event, a 35 MPH speed limit has been imposed on all tracks with the exception of sessions. The only individual able to waive this limit would be the chief steward of a given event. Other questionable events involving a particular member call for an Executive Event at a subsequent board meeting to allow this member to present his perspective of events. He may face sanction, including possible expulsion. Also discussed is the need for a more accountable method of radio tracking, such as specific signouts with specific numbered units. An event is coming up on Saturday at the Ridge, currently with 43 participant applicants, 12 of which are Time Trials. Approximately 50 participants are required to avoid losing money. Also, concern has been raised as to implementing a more direct track liaison interface to expedite interaction with track personnel, especially in situations of potential SCCA member malfeasance.

Time Trials

Discussed under Race.

Solo

Solo had an event on August 3rd at Bremerton, with highlights to be presented at the next meeting. Upcoming events include an event at Packwood on August 17th, Pro Solo Series #3 on September 20th, and an Solo event the following day of September 21st, also at Packwood.

Drift

No new business.

Website

The National Web template has been purchased, it merely awaits Steve Schattenbild's tender attentions. Some website URLs to purchase include sccanwr.org, and scca-nwr.org. Current website is nwr-scca.org.

Membership

It has been brought to attention that standard email addresses posted on the current website should be connected to the current pertinent recipients, to include membership@nwr.scca.org. Further investigation into whether these links are current is necessary.

Tire Rack Street Survival

No new business. Still waiting on Sonya's determination on where to deposit the sponsorship check.

Rally Cross

Pomeroy has shown interest in having Rally Cross back in town, John Forespring will meet with Steve Warner and meet with City officials concerning holding events in Pomeroy. The Subaru dealer in Lewiston would also be interested in participating in Rally events in Pomeroy. John indicates he will speak with the Pomeroy City Council members, and liaise them with the Lewiston Subaru dealer to try to make it all come together. This would be a high-speed rally, as the roads are smoother than the previously used logging roads common to the west side. More information will be presented at the next board meeting.

Old Business

Inventory from Solo has been provided in a .pdf. Inventory from Race is currently unavailable, and will necessitate a re-inventory. This will require transferring Race inventory from storage. Asset transfer to the new corporate entity may raise some use tax issues, and should be depreciated to salvage value. Newsletter has been created and is on the website. Board members are encouraged to submit articles to future newsletters.

Budget

No new business.

New Business

Elections are approaching, and Karen Babb will chair the Election Committee. John Taylor will run for re-election as RE. Two member-at-large voting positions are also open. Dick Willy, Karen Babb, Chuck Huffington, Steve Schattenbild, and Scott Miller are all on board for another tentative term. Richard Weixler most likely will not be available for another term.

As part of the election process, new by-laws for the new corporation will be drawn up, and a new Board of Directors email list should be enacted.

John Taylor moves to create a new Board of Directors email list to include only currently elected Board members, Chuck Huffington seconds the motion, with no objections, and the motion is passed.

John Forespring moves to purchase alternate website URLs, Scott Miller seconds the motion, and with no objections, the motion passes.

A Banquet Committee also needs to be set up, and the banquet may be pushed back into December.

Steve Schattenbild moves to adjourn and Chuck Huffington seconds the motion. With no objections, the motion is passed.

The meeting is adjourned at 8:50 PM.

Good of the order

John Taylor has been looking at Kart venues, specifically at Sykart in Tukwila. An event for 50 drivers at \$50/head would garner 2 sessions, with 3 sessions for the finalists. For 50 people, approximate time is 3.5 hours, and the track is leased at \$900/hr. John Taylor would like to authorize Region funds to cover the shortfall, to include food, at an approximate draw of \$1500. Participation would be available to any member. This would be contingent on 50 participants. If the participants fall short, the event is canceled. If there is an overwhelming response, open a second date. John will also investigate a venue in Lakewood, and possibly the electric carts in Bellevue. Key would be to schedule this around other events. September 13-14 is considered a possible date.