

MEETING MINUTES – December 12, 2006

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 7:04 pm at Damon's. Present were Dave Mohar (RE), Gary Gurchik (Asst RE), Lauren Mohar (Treasurer), Ron Dotts (Sec.), Josh Duvall, Mike Cunningham, Doug Kellander, Charlie Faris, Ryan Lower, Steve Lower, Steve Shuss, Jon Claypool, Steve Eastman, Nate Coraor, Karen Hoover, Jim Wegielewski, Chris Barnard, Brian Smith, Paul Stinson, Philip Maynard, Frank Varano.

RE Report: Dave thanked everyone for a great year and thanked everyone for all there help.

Competition: Brian Smith stated that he and Gary had performance testing done at Godspeed. It was very interesting and helpful.

Secretary: Copies of November Meeting Minutes distributed. Regarding the 2007 Solo Schedule, the minutes failed to state that the second day of Test & Tune is open to all competitors. Karen motioned to accept the Minutes as distributed, subject to that correction. Steve Lower seconded. Minutes were approved as subsequently amended.

Treasurer: Current fund balance is \$14,013.59, which includes certificates of deposit totaling \$10,000.

Solo: Little to report as the competition has ended for the season.

Newsletter: Ron Dotts indicated that the next newsletter would be published the week of December 18. He requested that Jim provide a write-up or summary of the Witches Rallye plus pictures for the newsletter.

Membership: Current membership remains at 104. .

Merchandising: Josh has possession of all the merchandise inventory and if anyone needs anything or wants to buy anything, he should be contacted.

Old Business:

Witches Rallye: Profits for the event totaled \$232 and a check for that amount was sent to United Way as a donation. Jim stated that an SUV full of food goods was donated to the local Food Bank. Local United Way officials were very grateful and expressed their willingness to help promote next year's event. Nate and his wife said they would Chair next year's Witches Rallye. Nate took a list of names for Road Rally Steward School and will coordinate scheduling and planning the school. He will get back to those who indicated interest.

Winter Rally Cross: Discussed getting sanctioning for the Port Matilda site. Dave indicated that all the sanctioning rules are changing for 2007 so sanctioning cannot occur until the first week in January. There was a discussion and concern regarding the status of event planning and lack of specifics regarding fees, site set-up, facilities, and logistics. Because of this, it was decided that the first event scheduled for January 7 would be cancelled. It was mentioned that Klinglers have arranged for a storage trailer to be place on site to secure some basic equipment.

2006 Awards Banquet: Official date is February 10, 2007. Gary reported that 11 people have signed up.

Organization of Assistantships: Dave suggested that we form a Solo Committee. Steve and Chris offered to be on that committee.

New Business:

Night Autocross/Alternative Location: Steve Shuss gave a Site Acquisition Package to Sheetz Distribution Center in Claysburg. Dave will take a look at the site. Jon said another possible site is Ames in Huntingdon. Brian will check it out.

Year End Awards Points: Gary indicated that the only application submitted was Barry Duvall. Gary reminded everyone that his or her applications are due in by late January.

Election of Officers for 2007: Charlie indicated that no new nominations had come in since the last meeting. No new nominees came forward at the meeting. Therefore, the nominees are:

Regional Executive	Dave Mohar
Assistant Regional Executive	Gary Gurchik
Treasurer	Lauren Mohar
Secretary	Ron Dotts and Karen Hoover

Charlie passed out ballot forms. The members present circled their respective choices. The ballots where handed to Nate for counting and Nate turned over the results to Charlie. Charlie announced the elected Officers for 2007 as follows:

Region Executive	Dave Mohar
Assistant Regional Executive	Gary Gurchik
Treasurer	Lauren Mohar
Secretary	Karen Hoover

2007 Solo Event Trophy Standings: There was much discussion of how to count trophy positions, in that we have a policy of requiring a minimum number of events to qualify for a trophy position. This could cause a situation where a

driver could otherwise qualify for a trophy but for the fact that he didn't meet the minimum requirement (i.e. person in 5th place gets no trophy but person in 6th place get's 5th place trophy because the actual 5th place didn't meet the minimum). Recognizing that in all rules, some members may benefit while others become victims, there's no way to please everyone. Because the current rule encourages more participation, a decision was made to keep the rule unchanged.

Ron Dotts left the room at this point and Karen Hoover took over taking notes of the meeting

Solo – Competitors Riding with Competitors: There was much discussion of whether or not to allow passengers (that are competitors) in 2007. As of now, the previous decision to not allow them in the summer series but allow them in the fall series stands.

Registration Update: Both days of the Test & Tune shall be free to any member pre-registering AND pre-paying for ALL summer events. Any non-member pre-registering AND pre-paying for ALL summer events shall receive free Test & Tune on Sunday only as Saturday is set aside for members only.

Running By Classes: Steve Lower reported on some research he gathered regarding running in classes, stating that (from his "carting" experience) the majority required pre-registration in order to run by class effectively, although open registration is possible if a class "cap" of 20 (or so) cars was done. Jim stated that he was in favor of running by class but pointed out the safety issues involved with running novices all together as well as having all novices working the track at the same time.

Sponsorship: 2007 Sponsorship Committee will consist of Dave Mohar, Gary Gurchik, and Paul Stinson.

Other: The 2007 Solo Event Schedule is still tentative, as discussed at the November meeting. No changes were made. Paul stated that perhaps there should be an article in the upcoming newsletter as to the need for more workers to come forward in order to add more events to the schedule, as well as the "job description" of the Solo Chair, his/her assistant, and volunteering workers. It was also agreed upon to have the club officers appoint a Solo Committee for 2007. Anyone interested in being on that committee should contact Dave or Gary. A Safety Steward School is being planned for 2007, hopefully sometime in March before the Summer Series begins.

It was also discussed the need to train workers on the proper use of fire extinguishers at events and during Safety Steward Schools.

Adjournment: There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made Mike, and seconded by Ryan. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ron Dotts, Secretary