

## MEETING MINUTES – December 11, 2007

**Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 7:04 pm at Damon's. Present were, David Mohar (RE), Gary Gurchik (Ass't RE), Lauren Mohar (Treasurer), Ron Dotts, Mike Cunningham, Steve Lower, Ryan Lower, Steve Eastman, Charles Faris, Mike Sember, Rob Beck, Josh Duvall, Barry Duvall, Steve Shuss, Paul Stinson & son, Jon Dershimer & daughter, Dan Warner, Dave Dix, Zack Beckel.

**RE Report:** .No report.

**Competition:** There was no autocross competition since the last meeting, but Paul Stinson indicated that a new track would be opening in 2008 – Thunderbolt Raceway in New Jersey. Nate indicated there was another track that may begin construction in the Reading area.

**Assistant RE Report:** Gary wanted to thank everyone for another great year.

**Secretary:** Minutes of the November meeting were presented to the members present. After a stern review by Mike, various grammar and punctuation errors were found, but otherwise found to be accurate and accepted as presented.

**Treasurer:** Current fund balance is \$20,780.64. This includes two \$5,000 Certificates of Deposit. Lauren said we got another \$42 from Tire Rack and the total for the year was about \$300. Lauren suggested we make a donation to Easter Seals' "Million Penny Drive" in State College Nittany Mall. This would get us some good year-end promotion and it would be fore a good cause. Ryan motioned and Barry seconded that we donate \$100 to Easter Seals. Motion passed.

**Solo:** Josh said that he was very pleased with the 2007 season, indicating that we had great attendance and consistent attendance. We tried a new course layout that's working well and will improve. He also discussed the cancellation of our final event and pointed out that we learned from that experience, as we now know the remedy for an absent Safety Steward.

**Newsletter:** Nate indicated a desire to step up to the position of Newsletter Editor, so he is officially on the list of Chairperson nominees.

**Membership:** Current count is 117. Three have dropped and one new member, Mike Sember.

**Merchandising:** No report

**Sponsorship:** Sponsorship brochure will have few changes. Dave mentioned the title sponsorship is \$1,000 and the \$250 level sponsors will no longer be on the trophy glasses.

**Website:** No new updates. Nate continues to work on it and expressed his desire to chair that responsibility in 2008.

### **Old Business:**

*Assistants to Chairpersons:* Charlie working on producing a Word document to be updated progressively as additional job descriptions become available.

*Video for Rally Training:* No new work on it. Aaron will be contacted for a status report.

*Cone Killer Classic Trademark:* Lauren indicated she had a conversation with Bryan and found that his attorney has actually done nothing regarding trademark work. Other alternatives were discussed including trying to do it ourselves. Jon suggested we contact the National office for guidance. Paul Stinson offered to contact his attorney to handle it. It was agreed that Paul would take responsibility for this project. Lauren will send Paul the CKC logo.

### **New Business:**

*Social Events:* Gary suggested we consider some social events during the off-season, and wanted to know if there was any interest. He suggested a bowling night. Several were interested so Gary will work on a location and date in March. Also considered was a kart day trip to Lehigh Valley Grand Prix in the Allentown area. Mike Cunningham will get more information and get back to us.

*Officer Elections:* Charlie announced the nominees' names and passed out voting ballots. Those nominees were:

Regional Executive	Dave Mohar and Steve Lower
Assistant Regional Executive	Gary Gurchik and Dan Warner
Treasurer	Lauren Mohar and N/A
Secretary	Ron Dotts and Ryan Lower

Each nominee was given a chance to speak just before the voting. Members then cast their ballots. The counting was done by Rob Beck and Steve Eastman and the results turned over to Charlie. Charlie announced the following winners:

Regional Executive	Dave Mohar
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Assistant Regional Executive    Gary Gurchik  
Treasurer                            Lauren Mohar

Secretary                              Ron Dotts

Charlie thanked everyone for their participation and Barry gave special thanks to those who stepped forward for nomination. Charlie turned over the voting ballots and count to acting Secretary Ron Dotts to confirm the tabulated results.

Chairpersons: All those wishing to take a Chair position must come forward and offer their services no later than December 31, as the Board must make it's decision prior to the January 8 meeting.

Cone Killer Classic 2008: Ron indicated that he would like to set up the committee by January or February at the latest. He'll be asking for participants in the upcoming meetings.

2008 Year End Awards Points System: Dave Mohar indicated he would have difficulty in making a meeting prior to January 1 and asked Dave Dix to chair a meeting for that purpose – Dave accepted. The committee is made up of Dave Dix, Dave Mohar, Ron Dotts, Lauren Mohar, and Charlie Faris. Dave Dix will try to plan a meeting for December 17.

New Material for the "X"'s on the Runways: Some discussion of what materials to use and what would be acceptable by the airport. Dave Dix will find out if there are any requirements and let us know.

New Timing Software/Finish Line Printout: Mike Sember gave a report of progress and also talked with Josh about the manual for the existing equipment. He will keep us updated on progress.

Awards Banquet: Invitations were sent out and are due back by January 20. All the sponsors will get special invitations. An airport representative will also be sent an invitation.

2008 Membership Requirement: No new information, but it is believed there will be some clarification on this at the National convention.

Water Donations: Steve Eastman said he would look into getting water donations as his wife works for a water bottling company. Lauren asked Ron Dotts to prepare a donation request letter for Steve to use.

2008 Season Scheduling: David asked Ron to try to coordinate schedules with Susquehanna Region and National Road Autosport in Cumberland, Md. Dave also said that we must have a schedule to the airport at least 60 days prior to the first event, which would put the schedule deadline no later than mid February. Gary indicated he would work with Ron on this, as he did the coordinating last year.

2008 Witches Rallye: Paul indicated he would not be interested in chairing the 2008 event. Dave Mohar volunteered and also said that Bryan Smith was interested.

Evolution School: Gary has looked into the possibility of an Evolution Driving School at Mid-State Airport. It would be a two-day event held May 3 and 4. It would be Phase I only, as the airport doesn't have sufficient space for the Phase II layout. The estimated registration fee would be \$250 per day, consistent with registration fees charged at other sites. Gary asked that people get back to him with expressions of interest as soon as possible because there must be at least 12 students each day for the event to go forward.

Adjournment: There being no further business, at approximately 9:15 pm, a motion to adjourn was made by Paul, and seconded by Steve Shuss. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Ron Dotts  
On behalf of Karen Hoover, Secretary