



Central Pennsylvania Region Sports Car Club of America

Monthly Meeting Minutes

3 November, 2009

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order @ 7:06 pm by Ron Dotts, (RE).

Members present: Ron Dotts (RE), Dan Warner (ARE), Steve Lower (Sec), Gami Sanchez (Treas), Charlie Faris, Charles Leighty, Zoha Memari, Chris More, Chuck Carroll, John Cuprisin, Paul Stinson, Dave Kraige, Jim Wegielewski, Ryan Lower. Guest: Max Stinson

Report of the Regional Executive:

No Report

Report of the Assistant Regional Executive:

No Report

Report of the Secretary:

Steve presented the October 2009 meeting minutes by making a motion for approval. 2nd by Ryan Lower.
Approved

Report of the Treasurer:

Gami presented the financial report.

Bill received from Mid State Airport for taxiway light repair.

Noted a recall on the van due to fire hazard. Dan will handle.

Report of the Allegheny Highlands chapter Representative:

No representative, No report.

Committees:

Membership: Steve reported 115 on the membership list. Of that, 4 are expired.

NOTE: at this time the Secretary had to leave the meeting for another commitment. The following notes are from Ryan Lower.

--Sponsorship: Dix Honda willing to step up to be title sponsor if cost does NOT increase.

--Registration: N/A

--Website/Newsletter: Chris addressed issues regarding season end points, should be correct on website.

--Witches Rallye: RTL reported the event went smoothly with 11 vehicles entered. Appx. \$120 was the net profit, with all proceeds to be donated to The Four Diamonds Fund through THON 2010.

--Rules: No submissions were given to STL as of meeting time (Jim & Dan had not yet met). Ron indicated that the by-laws should be reviewed by higher ups in the SCCA and, with their aid, should be updated to bring them more in line with national by-laws. Paul Stinson recommended the creation of a By-Laws Review/Revision

committee to help streamline the process of updating the by-laws. Chuck Carroll suggested a formal letter be written to Rick Myers from the National Office requesting assistance in updating these by-laws. The following individuals volunteered for the committee: Jim Wegielewski, Paul Stinson, Ron Dotts, Dan Warner, and Chris More. The motion was made by Ron, seconded by Chuck, to recognize this committee, passed unanimously, with Dan Warner serving as chair. Ron will re-open commentary with Rick Myers to begin process of establishing framework for changes.

--Year End Awards: It was decided that if anything will be done to change the current system, changes must be in place by the start of the autocross season. Criteria for 2009 awards will be posted to website once received from Dave Kraige. Charlie Faris will search through old newsletters to try and located documentation of system previous to one currently in place.

-Merchandise: No changes since last time. Two umbrellas and two ponchos were given away as prizes at the Witches Rallye.

Old Business:

--Supps: Jim made note of the requirement by the SCCA that a person intending to be chair/co-chair of any CPR-presented event (e.g. Witches Rallye, CKC, etc...) MUST be a member of the SCCA.

--Hill Climbs: Chris made note that he had only found one possible route that fit the criteria needed for Hill Climbs. Paul Stinson, Dan Warner, and Jim Wegielewski suggested multiple other roads that could be possible. Chris will compile suggestions given and explore them.

--2009 Awards Banquet: Dan had not received quotes from other locations as of this meeting, but will press for them and report back for December meeting. Paul Stinson suggested adding Mt. Nittany Inn to list of possibilities. Dan will explore.

New Business:

--Nominations for 2010 Officers: Incumbent RE Ron Dotts will not run for re-election, and Incumbent Secretary Steve Lower will also not run for re-election. Incumbents Dan Warner (Asst. RE) and Gami Sanchez (Treasurer) will run for re-election. Dave Kraige has stepped up to run for RE, and Jim Wegielewski has stepped up to run for Secretary. As of the November meeting, no other nominations have stepped up. Charlie Faris reminds the attendees at the meeting that a quorum MUST be present at the December meeting for elections to be official. Each candidate present at the November meeting was given 5 minutes to state their platform for election. Each candidate will also be given 5 minutes at the December meeting. Nominations will be accepted until the time to vote is declared at the December meeting. Members of the Allegheny Highlands Chapter who are members of CPR AND AHC may vote in the election. Dave Kraige also asked the elections committee to attempt to seek out a candidate interested in becoming Solo Chair.

Competition

--Charles Leighty, Ron Dotts, and Dave Kraige participated in the most recent event at Cumberland and had a very good time. Ron was 3rd overall PAX Sunday, 4th overall PAX Saturday.

--Paul discussed his vintage racing exploits over the summer, including his participation in the Pittsburgh Vintage Grand Prix, finishing first in feature races on Saturday and Sunday. He also traveled to Limerock Park and finished second in the feature race there. He traveled to Watkins Glen and finished 11th overall in the 6-lap sprint race, and was 5th overall, 1st in class in the endurance race. He traveled to Thunderbolt Raceway and finished 15th overall in the 2-hour endurance race (despite a mechanical failure around the 1.5 hour mark that parked him) and was 1st in class and 4th overall in the feature race. He was 2nd overall in group 8 endurance points and 4th overall in sprint points for the season.

Other Business

--Charlie made note of the ability to rent the State Theatre complex for a venue for a social activity outside of the racing season (possibly a showing of a vintage racing movie).

--Chris made note of Loretta More's exploits at an indoor karting facility in Indianapolis, which inspired comments by Paul and Jim for a visit to the Lehigh Valley indoor kart complex in Allentown. Paul said he would be willing to help coordinate a trip.

Jim Wegielewski made motion to adjourn at 8:30pm, seconded by RTL.

Respectfully Submitted,

Steve Lower, Secretary

Minutes approved @ 8 December, 2009 meeting. Financial information omitted for internet posting. The Secretary will retain a printed and electronic copy of the full minutes for records.