

Central Pennsylvania Region
Sports Car Club of America
Meeting Minutes- March 8th 2011

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 7:00m at Damon's Grill. The following members were present: Dave Kraige (RE), Steve Car (Ass't RE), Tom Tremper (Secretary), Ron Dotts (Treasurer), Brindsey Beard, Charlie Faris, John & Josephine Cuprisin, Jessica Black, Lee Watson, Bryan Smith, Jeremy McCauley, Gary Gurchik, Steve Lower, Steve Eastman, Dave Dix, Charles Leighty, and Jim Wegielewski.

RE Report: Dave reported that the sponsors for the 2011 season have been confirmed. This season the sponsors will have the additional feature of having their logo on the van as well as the schedule cards and fliers (which will be available soon). The first event will be April 17th at CPI. Also the Solo Safety Steward (SSS) class will be held at Damon's on March 13th at 1:00 pm. Please bring \$25 for the purchase of a rule book

Assistant RE Report: Steve reported on the change in the trophies for 2011. The motivation for this was to reduce the operating costs of running an event. To get the van ready for the season there will be a van clean up on March 20th at noon at Mid-State airport. For the 2011 season, CPR will not be using my-autoevents.com, other sights are being examined.

Treasury Report: Ron reported that the bank balance has no significant change from the February meeting.

Secretary Report: February minutes were approved

Solo Report: Ron is planning the Cone Killer Classic (CKC) for the up-coming season. He'd like to have some volunteers for a CKC committee to help get the event organized. 4-5 people will be needed. Additionally Steve Lower is now an acting facilitator for CPI.

Old Business: Old business was discussed earlier in the meeting

New Business: New business regarding the Alleghany Highlands Chapter (AHC) was discussed at the meeting with representatives from the AHC present. With these statements being discussed at length much of the statements have been paraphrased. The main point of this discussion was to change AHC status from a chapter to a full region.

Opening statement from CPR was given by Dave Kraige. Dave stated that since this has

been a sensitive topic over the past couple years he'd like to keep the discussion as "just the facts" and additionally any voting on the topic will happen at a future date.

Opening statement from AHC was given by Lee Watson. Lee read the proposal from AHC, the AHC proposal will be made available to all CPR members and is also available on the AHC website (HYPERLINK "http://www.ahc-scca.org" www.ahc-scca.org)

With the opening statements concluded, the discussion was opened.

Dave reiterated his question for previous discussions with AHC "What is the purpose for AHC to become a region?" In response AHC members stated that they want to write their own bylaws independent of CPR and wish to have a more secure position within the SCCA.

Dave went on to express that the actions of AHC has negatively effected CPR. These actions included

The formation of AHC in 2009 was kept secret from CPR. AHC's actions in procuring the Wyo-Tech site took a possible venue away from CPR.

AHC's meeting minutes aren't made available to CPR and general communication has not been made easy

If CPR is to give up the requested counties, they'll be at risk of losing future venues

Gary commented on the six month waiting period for new members to obtain voting rights seems unfair.

Jim stated that this was a product of the hybrid agreement which was fashioned in 2009 at the creation of AHC. Jim added the question, what would happen if AHC was given the status of a full region and then in the future folded, what would happen to those counties with in AHC's control? Along with that what would happen to the property of AHC (van, timing equipment, etc...)

Dave asked what would AHC's reaction to a smaller region. Lee could not give a reply at this time.

Ron commented that CPR does have a large region based on geography but the population of the northern counties is very low and giving up the requested 4 counties represents a very large population.

Lee stated that being a region would make AHC more flexible in finding future venues.

Jim made the suggestion of a co-sharing agreement between AHC and CPR with respect to the 4 counties in question. The details of this agreement will have to be discussed further.

Dave Dix asked what the current membership of AHC was? The reply from Lee was 45 members.

Ron asked the AHC representatives if they would entertain a counter proposal. No direct answer from AHC was given but the idea seemed to be acceptable.

In closing of the discussion Dave Kraige stated that the AHC proposal will need to be circulated to the CPR members. Also the vote will tentatively set for the May meeting in order to give CPR members time to discuss AHC's proposal.

The motion to adjourn the meeting approved at 8:25 pm