

Regional Executive Meeting

February 29, 2008

Present: Bernyce Molenda
Allen Morris
Gary Brisbois
Glenn Hutchison
Bill Siebel
Chuck Herretta
Margaret Bohannon
John McGee
Calvin Camp
Mary Bellamy
Jerry Limpach
Jim Gray
John Maxwell
Dave Heinemann

Dave called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

Dick Yanko came in to update us on the state of affairs and update on married life. The Corvette museum is going to change the way that the deal with ongoing displays on the inside of the museum. A letter was handed to the REs regarding this issue to clarify the overall situation if anyone from the local clubs has any issues.

Gary Foster came in and updated us on status for the munchies for the hospitality room being provided from the Boone Trail Corvette club. He requested a list of any deaths in the organization.

Larry Beebe indicated that we still have the NCCC traveling display and contact him if you would like to have it for one of your events.

Sylvia Hoaldridge came in and indicated that the deadline (for articles from now to the middle of June) was extended to March 8th for the Regional Executive's article. Send the articles to pinkvett@dot11net.net. She needs new articles of all kinds for the publication so if you have an idea for any types of articles, contact her.

Dave worked for a bit to try and clean up the email listing for all of the REs to ensure that we have an easy way to contact every member of this committee.

Joan Thomas came in to the meeting and reiterated that she should be able to create a mail forward for all REs nccc-re@corvettesnccc.org and make it easier to create this. If your email address changes, please contact Joan at webmaster@corvettesnccc.org.

Cindy Urenda came in to the meeting and was introduced as a former RE and the new NCCC secretary. She collected proxies for the meeting and all of the appropriate sign in

sheets. Its VERY important pass in the proxy sheets at the RE meeting since it's very difficult to manage all of the duties required.

Deb Murphy came in to the meeting and assisted Allen in filling in the group on the status of the audit, and finances.

Allen Morris indicated that mileage is up to \$.505 per mile over the last years reimbursement rate which totaled about an additional \$5000.

We voted to spend up to \$12000 for last years financial audit, came in as only \$6000. No discrepancies were found by the auditors in the financial records, but they found some minor changes in the Tax Returns, from the trinket sales which required a re-stating of tax returns causing an additional \$1400 liability. We have changed the process going forward to resolve this issue in the future.

Last year, we thought that we were going to be \$16000 in the hole in 2007 and turned up to have made \$67000 in 2007. Most of this was because the convention did so well. We do need to protect ourselves in case of a significant loss. As a non-profit organization, we don't have the funds to deal with a loss if it were to happen. Our organization is a \$600,000 a year organization, and a \$60,000 loss would kill us. The \$5 for the year increase will go a long way to resolve concerns that if a convention were to short-fall, or we were to lose money for some reason. We cannot count on any fundraising monies, it should be considered to be "found money" and used accordingly. \$60K is only 10% of the overall budget, and if things went badly, it could be difficult without the increase. We need to put more time into selling this to the new Corvette community. GM sells 40K cars per year and there are only 20K members in the group.

Allen reminded us that Dick asked last year at the Governor's meeting who in the room was under 50. Two people raised their hands out of a room full of 350 governors. Much discussion was had over what value the NCCC provides to new people. Advertising on Corvette Forum would be a really good place to start. We are looking for any ideas for advertising and promotion of the NCCC as an organization.

Calvin Camp and Chuck Herretta brought us up to date on the Newsletter contest for 2008. There will be five awards at the convention in Tulsa. There are at least five newsletters received so far by the committee. A discussion was had about publicizing this in Blue Bars.

Dave Heinemann indicated that it was a huge task for Kevin Milton and him to format the bylaws and get all of the mistakes corrected. Mike Godfrey worked through the project and created the CD output. Many mistakes were found with typos and page numbering issues. No changes in the bylaws at all from the way that it was submitted. Nothing was changed as per what was voted on the floor. All content and intent were exactly as voted. The revision numbers were added after the fact. There was an S on Corvette on the front page. There was a footer added 11/10/07 on all pages. The date under the NCCC logo was changed.

Discussion was had about how people get the rule book from now on and how we can ensure that we keep the members happy without increasing the escalating costs. Discussions were had about how to get a printed manual into persons that want it.

Discussions were had about e-board members from the same club. Discussions were had with the folks in the room about it, and there was no pressing need to fix this.

Discussions were also had about term limits for the appointed offices. Most of the offices must fill in an application for each appointed person each year, so term limits are not required, because each position is available every year.

Discussions were had for the Goals of the 2008 RE Committee. Push the newsletter contest to the clubs. Push convention for the members. Benefits of the organization. Why NCCC? What does NCCC do for us? Why are the clubs in your region 100% members? Insurance covers the member, and not non-members. If you are not 51%, you are not in good standing. That will jeopardize insurance coverage. If something happens and you are found in the wrong...and you are sued, it will come out of your pocket. If you are NCCC, and covered, you will be covered! Promote what is good! Promote the reason you come here!

E-Board has asked us to bring back one idea from the RE about how to improve the NCCC. They are considering appointing a committee that are not officers and not governors to look at the organization and figure out how to improve NCCC.

They want to get the RE's opinion of the Executive Committee. What is the opinion of what's there and what we feel about the whole executive committee?

- The board looks very top-heavy and overwhelming in these meetings.
 - The table has doubled in size since 1991. We believe it's an ego thing.
- Many things are discussed at these meetings that didn't need to be discussed.
- It is our feeling that we only see the elected officers at the front table. The appointed officers should be separated from the elected group.

Allen Morris and Chuck Herretta agreed three times in the RE meeting without argument.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:56PM.

Minutes taken by John Maxwell

Respectfully Submitted,

Dave Heinemann
NCCC Parliamentarian