

RE Meeting Minutes

February 24, 2017

Sheraton, St. Louis, MO

Meeting called to order at 7:01 PM CST by Parliamentarian Kathy Brisbois

14 RE's and 1 Proxy in Attendance

Introduction of the RE's in attendance, no guests at the beginning

Motion to accept the minute from the November, 2016 RE meeting, Larry P.-motion/Joe V. – second passed

Kathy shared the E-board discussion of some negative and incorrect information, about the Charity program, that is going out in emails and social media and how the board will deal with it. Also, that the REs relay to their governors that each member's mailing address now needs to include the Zip+4 number and how to go about getting that.

Newsletter Committee Report

Larry P. informed that they have only received three letters to review as of Friday and the dead line for submittal is March 1st.

Appointment of the 2017 RE Bylaws committee: Terry M., Joe V., and Mark H. Motion to appoint by Larry P. / second Bill S. 14 for, 1 opposed, no abstentions

Discussion about the Standing Rule, page 5, under Miscellaneous, states every club must attend or proxy 3 of 5 meeting each year to retain their NCCC status. Since there is no governors' meetings at conventions, it is not possible to have 5 meetings. Perhaps just change to 3 or eliminate altogether since the rule is seldom enforced. Further discussion with the governors is needed and perhaps this is even an RMD issue since it has to do with membership of a club.

Jeannie Ruston stopped by and announced that the Hospitality Room duties are set for this year and next with the exception of May. Allen M. volunteered for that, the West Region to take that time next year.

Finance Committee report by Allen M. that the budget for 2016 will end in the 'black' at about \$16,500 according to Betty Parks. Also, that the proposed budget, for 2017-18, should be in the 'black' with an estimated surplus of \$17,000 due to cost cutting and additional sponsor participation. Among the items that will help in 2017, Debbie Lindsey has commitments for about \$32,000 from sponsors, insurance from Legacy will stay the same; Blue Bars is saving about \$40,000 among other things that have been changed.

Of the profit from last year's raffle, \$6,000 was sent to St. Jude's. That amount was less than expected and Allen believes that the charity aspect of the organization should be left up to the clubs and regions. This year's raffle is ongoing and expected to about \$60,000 for the car certificate.

Allen reported that the Bowling Green convention has over 500 registered and the hotels are sold out and the speed events are sold out. There is a waiting list for the hotels and events. If you can't make an event, just show up for the parties, it will be worth it.

Dave Goebel reported that there was a Rule Book change that requires non-sanctioned events be posted and have a flyer in the database. Some of the RCDs he talked to were unaware of the change but that is something that needs to be removed. Apparently the insurance company does not require that NS events be posted to be covered. More discussion will be required and the RCDs will need to be brought in on this.

Larry P. reported that he had been asked for a contract when requesting a COI. This is the first time he has had this request from Legacy. He has asked Jack to look into it.

Joe V. reported that the database will be updated to have all the region officers included and to coordinate region and club information in the database.

Motion to adjourn at 8:15 PM CST

Submitted by

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Michigan RE