

New England Region, Sports Car Club of America

Board of Directors Meeting April 14, 2021

Held via zoom online

The meeting was called to order at 8:08pm

By Regional Executive Abhi Ghatak

Board members present: Regional Executive Abhi Ghatak, Asst. RE Andrew Benagh, Secretary George Farrar, James Ray, Jerry Papenhausen, Paul Omichinski, Wiley Cox, Jennifer Ferreira, Rich Currey, Steve Introne

Also in attendance : Area One Director Bob Dowie, Treasurer Dick Patullo, Kathy Barnes, Trevor Hermance, JB Swan, Paul Krysiak

1) Motion was made to accept the March 2021 minutes as presented

First - Paul Omichinski, Second - Andrew Benagh

All in Favor - unanimous

2) Area One Director report submitted by Bob Dowie

National Board has nothing new to report at this time, future reports as season kicks into high gear

3) Treasurer's Report submitted by Dick Patullo

As expected, some losses to date as deposits/bills are being paid

Motion was made to accept report as presented:

First - George Farrar, Second - Andrew Benagh

All in favor - unanimous

4) Club Racing Report submitted by JB Swan

Drivers School will be held April 24th @ Thompson Speedway Motorsports Park

Registration open for 1st event May 1/2 @ Palmer Motorsports Park

Registration open for 2nd event May 15/16 @ New Hampshire Motor Speedway

CRB looking for help with both Timing, Sound and Pit/Grid duties

5) Solo Report submitted by Alex Jackson (via email)

April 4th well attended with just over 100 entrants @ Devens site

Next event is April 25th @ Devens site with cap of 150 entrants

6) Rally Report submitted by Scott Carlson (via email)

April 24th event @ Rochester Fairgrounds has 79 entrants

May 15th event @ Okemo Vt. Blue Lot is capped @ 60 due to Covid - 19

7) Time Trials Report submitted by Paul Omichinski

TT is prepared for season start May 22nd @ TSMP

8) Merchandise Report submitted by Donna Stevens (via email)

Merchandise store is open for business

9) Membership Report submitted by Paul Krysiak

January membership 2255 members, March 2389 members - an increase of 54 members from the same time period last year.

February saw 34 memberships expire, March had 77 new memberships

10) Social Media Committee by Trevor Hermance

Nothing to report at this time as all is going well

11) Pit Talk Update by Melissa Introne

Yearbooks have been delivered and much positive feedback has been returned by NER members. National office has even taken notice and requested to use 2 articles from Pit Talk written by our own James Ray, Congratulations James.

Page views of Pit Talk are at their highest as of this date.

12) Archives Report submitted by Donna Stevens (via email)

The work continues and making progress

Motion was made to accept the reports as presented:

First - George Farrar, Second - Paul Omichinski

All in favor - unanimous

OLD BUSINESS:

Site Acquisition Committee submitted by Dick Patullo

March 28th meeting, committee agreed to try and submit 1 paper study on a property per month. Committee has also agreed to proceed slowly as it learns the Do's/Dont's of property ownership. This would be the 1st undertaking of this sort for NER

NEW BUSINESS:

BoD had conversations around Marketing, and will take an opportunity to look at track day organizations to identify and recruit new members.

Motion was made at 8:58pm to adjourn to executive session:

First - Andrew Benagh, Second - Paul Omichinski

All in favor - unanimous

Returned from session 9:15

9:16pm motion to adjourn Board of Directors meeting:

First - Paul Omichinski, Second - Jerry Papenhausen

Respectfully Submitted, George Farrar, NER BOD Sec.