

New England Region of Sports Car Club of America

Board of Directors Meeting Nov 11, 2020

Held via zoom online

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm by RE Richard Currey

Board members present: Richard Currey RE, George Farrar Sec., Trevor Hermance, Abhi Ghatak , Jennifer Ferreira, Andrew Benagh, James Ray, Paul Omichinski, Jerry Papenhausen

Also in attendance : Dick Patullo Treas., Donna Stevens, Kathy Barnes, Paul Krysiak, Scott Carlson, Chris Regan

1)The meeting opened with a Motion to accept the Oct minutes as presented by Andrew Benagh 1st, Jennifer Ferreira 2nd

Y - all except 1 abstain, Jerry Papenhausen

2)Area One Director report by Bob Dowie

Notification soon concerning national convention

3)Treasurer's Report by Dick Patullo

Profit for Board activities apx. \$4200

CRB \$40,000 including \$20,000 radio upgrade package

Ax and Rx did not show any profits due to Covid - restrictions

MOTION TO ACCEPT REPORT : James Ray 1st, Abhi Ghatak 2nd

Y - unanimous

4)Club Racing Report by Dick Patullo

CRB working on schedule for 2021, should be similar to last years pre-covid schedule with night race to return

5)Solo Report by Kathy Barnes

Season done for year 2020, was not a fun/profitable year due to many Covid - restrictions set forth by state

6) Rally report submitted by Scott Carlson

Rochester, N.H. event Oct 24 went well with a complete field of 80 drivers

RX hoping to run 2 more events 11/21 @ Canaan N.H. and 12/5 @ 508INT in Charlton, Ma.

Rally Sprint doing well also with a full field of 32 cars for both Oct and Nov events

7) Time Trials Report by Paul Omichinski

Hoping to schedule 4 events for 2021

National Event being run July 4th @ Palmer Motorsports

8) Merchandise Report submitted by Donna Stevens

Despite challenges set forth by Covid restrictions merchandise did well to break even

9) Membership Report submitted by Paul Krysiak

Jan 2020 had 2255 members on file, peaked at 2341 in march and now stands at 2325 members in good standing

10) Social Media Committee by Trevor hermance

NER social media presence going well.

Continuation of seasons Iracing program

11) Pit Talk Update (submitted by Melissa Introne via email)

Event Content and News

Over the month of October, 14 new content articles were published. These covered:

- Highlights and Recaps of the Runoffs

- Road Rally Results: Grab Bag
- RallyCross Results: Fall Into Winter RallySprint
- Rally Recaps: 508inl, Fall Into Winter
- Road Racing Results: NERRC Championship
- RAL Final Donation totals
- Feature Stories:
 - JB Swan Worker of the Year
 - Member Donations
 - 78yo TNIA competitor
 - Winter iRacing League
- Region News: BOD Nominations, Annual Meeting Save the Date

Site Traffic and Constant Contact

Users, sessions and pageviews for October are continuing to grow. The trend for the year is increasingly positive. There were 9 Pit Talk emails created and distributed in the last month. Open rates had an average of 27%, with a click thru average of 20%.

A Motion by Andrew Benagh 1st, Paul Omichinski 2nd was made to accept the reports as presented:

Y - unanimous

Site Acquisition Committee

Checking on some sites that could possibly meet requirements set by the committee and examine further the financial aspects of purchasing

Archives Report submitted by Donna Stevens

Have resumed going through archives now that CRB season has come to a close.

OLD BUSINESS:

BOD elections for 2021 will be run through MSR (motorsports reg)

Annual meeting:

each program to hold a zoom town meeting to allow members to socially distance interact.

2 requirements for annual meeting to be considered official by NER bylaws

1) election of member to BoD vacant positions

2) rate of NER member dues

NEW BUSINESS:

Kathy Barnes asks BoD for funds to purchase helmets for solo program

motion to accept : Trevor Hermance 1st, Paul Omichinski 2nd

Yes - unanimous

The 8:10pm Motion to adjourn by James Ray 1st, Paul Omichinski 2nd

Y - unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,

George Farrar, NER BOD Sec.