

New England Region, Sports Car Club of America

Board of Directors Meeting March 13,2024

Held via zoom online

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 pm by Regional Executive Abhi Ghatak

Board members present: Regional Executive Abhi Ghatak, Asst. RE Steve Introne, Secretary George Farrar, Dan Sheppard, Dave Patten, Hiroshi Hatano, Tom Samuelson, Tom McGinn, Karen Petersen, Allen Briere

Board members absent:

Also in attendance :Treasurer Dick Patullo, Donna Stevens, Trevor Hermance, Chris Martin, Tish Munson, James Ray, Kathy Barnes, Melissa Introne, JB Swan, Melanie Kwong, Jeff Adams

1) The meeting opened with a Motion to accept the February, 2024 minutes as presented by Steve Introne, George Farrar 2nd Yes - unanimous

2) Area One Director report submitted by N/A

3) Treasurer's Report submitted by Dick Patullo

Taxes have been filed for 2023

Looking for liaison from BoD to treasurer, Hiroshi Hatano has volunteered

Motion to accept report by George Farrar, Dave Patten 2nd Yes - unanimous

4) Club Racing Report submitted by JB Swan

Getting ready for upcoming season, track contracts have been signed

Working to setup and test new timing equipment

5) Solo Report submitted by Melanie Kwong

Contract for Devens site rental just came in

New sound limits have been set for 2024 - 87db at 75ft

Contract for Brunswick, Me. due to arrive soon

6) Rally Report submitted by Tish Munson/Chris Martin

Next event is at 508Intl to end the Winter Series mini Championship
March 16th with 52 drivers signed up

7) Time Trials Report submitted by N/A

8) Merchandise Report submitted by Donna Stevens

Merchandise will be available at Fire/Flag training school March 24th

Tech supplies have been passed out to 3 programs

Order placed for depleted T/sweatshirts inventory

9) Membership Report submitted by Kathy Barnes

2024 Membership to date - 2631

New members in February- 41

Expired members in February - 40

Will be reaching out to parents who may have forgotten to renew
family/childrens memberships

10) Social Media Committee Report by Trevor Hermance, James Ray

SCDA to re-sponsor NER CRE events

11) Pit Talk Update by Melissa Introne

Event Content and News

In February, the following content was created and posted:

- 2024 Solo Schedule

Site Traffic and Constant Contact

There was 1 Pit Talk email distributed in February. The average open rate was 52% and a 5% click thru rate.

2023 Pit Talk Yearbook

Production is complete and yearbooks are already arriving in mailboxes. Feedback so far has again been positive. There are approximately 40 extra copies available for use at events or if members want extra copies.

12) Archives Report submitted by Donna Stevens

Been spending 100% of my available time devoted to archives in February and can finally see the end of the 1st stage of this project which started 7 years ago. There are now less than 20 boxes to sort through. **Phase 2** - beginning around June 2024, maintenance of storage area including realignment of boxes, getting rid of pallets and moving shelves around to accommodate the 50 boxes being kept. Total number of documents recorded to this date is 3891. Note: missing road racing history 2015-18 but could be somewhere in the last 20 unsorted boxes. **Phase 3** - research and digital files should begin in apx 1 year

A Motion was made to accept the program reports as presented by

George Farrar, Steve Introne 2nd Yes - unanimous

OLD BUSINESS:

Orientation for new BoD directors March 27th at 7pm

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion made to fund the recruiting group for resources/supplies of \$1000 by Steve Introne, Karen Petersen 2nd Yes - unanimous

Set date and venue for 2024 annual meeting, report next meeting

RAL - looking for volunteers to run/assist with event

NER invited to attend/display at New England Auto Show April 25-28th. Looking for members to staff the show and also looking for cars from different race programs. Event committee to include Jeff Adams, Karen Petersen, Steve Introne, Allen Briere and Abhi Ghatak

With no further business, Dan Sheppard made the motion to adjourn the BoD meeting, seconded by Dave Patten All in favor. Yes - unanimous

NER BoD Meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm March 13,2024

Next meeting date scheduled for April 10, 2024

**Respectfully Submitted,
George Farrar, NER BoD Secretary**

