

STEEL CITIES REGION, SCCA
General Membership Meeting March 4th, 2015 at Tolerico's Restaurant in Monroeville

Regional Executive Mark Connolly called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

A motion (Jim Farrar/AJ Anselm) to approve the minutes of the February membership meeting and the January Board of Directors meeting as published passed 11-0-0.

MEMBERSHIP: Paula Hawthorne

Last month we had 409 members; this month we have 414. Due to printer problems, Paula could not provide a list of the new members – she will email them.

TRACK TRIALS REPORT & HILLCLIMB REPORT: Dave Merritt

It's all good (we haven't started yet).

HISTORIAN: Don Baker

Milestones this month include Joachim Hammer (lives in Eastern PA now) 60 years, Mike Connolly 45 years, and Ray Colbert 25 years.

Penny Freeman (Nelson Fire & Rescue) was recognized for 12-19 days as a volunteer. Ohio Valley Region has 12 members with lots of worker days, probably because they have Mid-Ohio as their track.

RALLY REPORT: Chuck Larouere

Our National Rallies will be April 11 & 12. Both will start from the Holiday Inn Express in Delmont (behind The Lamplighter). Information is on the way and a flier will be posted to the website soon.

Blue Ridge Mountain SCC will hold a rally Sunday starting at Pool City in Monroeville with registration at 12, first car off at 1PM. Chuck has copies of the General instructions in his car if anyone is interested.

ROAD RACING REPORT: AJ Anselm

Deposits have been made and Contracts are in for both events at PIRC.

AJ spoke with Reed Kryder – both NeOhio and Mahoning Valley Regions have cancelled their events at Nelson Ledges. MVR is interested in sharing an event with us at PIRC.

NeOhio has approached PIRC on their own, and the only date available is Labor Day weekend on the South Track.

We discussed today's Facebook posting with regard to the NeOH/Nelson Ledges contract and sharing a date with NeOH. In the past they have not been helpful in sharing responsibilities, and we should consider not sharing unless they agree to provide more workers.

Registration is open for our Majors event. Chiefs should get the word to their workers to register as workers.

The August Test & Tune fee will be \$300 until 4/30, and then increase to \$350. All this will be posted to Motorsportsreg.com, and the forms and Supps will be on the STC website.

Rocky says that the MVR Divisional Championship event will probably be moved to Lime Rock.

The Kryder Series will not be run this year because of the lack of events in this area.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Beth Anselm

Beth passed out copies of a report, and a copy is attached to the archive copy of these minutes.

We have a checking balance of \$28,923.25.

The PVGP paid their share of the cost of the new timing equipment.

SOLO REPORT:

No official report, but AJ & Mark heard at the Solo Board meeting that there will be no more low-key autocrosses at PIRC, and we still have no contracts for the VDA.

OLD BUSINESS:

The National Convention wasn't the best. Paula sent a letter to Topeka about it and discussed the shortcomings. Attendance was down as well.

She made copies of two presentations and put them on the tables for everyone to review. One was called "Seeds of Growth" and the other was "The Team Sweet Spot". They will also be available in the "File Cabinet" on the National SCCA website.

The "ck Night in America" program is similar to Solo's "Starting Line". National is paying for it at local tracks. It is sort of a Pre-PDX. There will be Cruises, shows and ride-arounds. We have five dates between April and August at PIRC. We need volunteers for F&C and stuff. It is a promotional opportunity. Tracknightinamerica.com is coming, sponsored by Tire Rack. They are scheduled on Tuesdays, 4/14, 5/12, 6/9, 7/14, and 8/11. Big changes are coming to the SCCA website. Each Region will have its own page, and each member will have a profile.

We had a nice Daytona 500 party.

We will host two SCCA Pro events this year, and they need our worker support.

The NeDiv Roundtable is coming up March 7th, and Mike Connolly, Jeff Hutzelman and Dave Merritt plan to attend.

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion (Jim Farrar/Jeff Hutzelman) to allow Mahoning Valley Region to share the September 10-20 event at PIRC passed 10-0-1 (cg)

April 11th we will have a Safety Day at PIRC starting at 9AM.

Ed Gaither ("QueBall") sent Walt an email about PIRC looking for paid flaggers to work their events. Walt will send it to AJ to post on the website.

Chippy, the Grid Chief and DA from Great Lakes Region recently passed away.

The 50/50 drawing awarded \$32 to Les Walter.

A motion to adjourn the meeting (Jim Farrar/AJ Anselm) passed 11-0-0 at 8:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted by

Walt Matenkosky, Secretary, Steel Cities Region, SCCA