

STEEL CITIES REGION, SCCA  
General Membership Meeting January 5th, 2022, at Bella Luna in Murrysville

Assistant Regional Executive Bill Haus convened the meeting at 7:30 PM with a toast to the new year.

TREASURER: Gene Kern

Gene delivered the current report.

We have been paid by Starting Line for the school.

MEMBERSHIP: Jeff Hutzelman

As of today we have 576 plus 8 new members, and 4 have not renewed.

SCHOOL: Joe Montuoro

There will be an Autocross Zoom meeting 1/10 at 7PM. The contact information will be published on Facebook, Pittsburgh Autocross and the Steel Cities page.

The School people dedined a live awards banquet this year.

A school is scheduled for May 14<sup>th</sup> before event #2 on May 15<sup>th</sup>.

Our PA system needs replacement, and we are researching it.

We talked to Pronto Timing Systems. Our cost would be \$195 per event or \$295 per weekend. This would amount to \$2150 per year. We need Board approval. ***A motion (Mike Connolly/Chris Granche) to approve the move to Pronto Timing Systems for 2022 passed 12-0-0***

Joe asked about ordering cones. This is a budget item. ***A motion (Gene Kern/Bob Albert) to approve the expenditure for replacement SCCA cones passed 12-0-0***

We still hope to add another school to the schedule, either Apex or Evolution.

RALLY: Chuck Larouere

Our 2022 National Tour rally will held April 30, and the Divisional Rally will follow on May 1<sup>st</sup>. We will also do the PVGP rally.

Carl Staub has been appointed to the National Road Rally Board.

Rick Beattie will write an "up to 4000 word" article for SportsCar magazine. He invites the membership to contribute stories of their experiences.

TRACK TRIALS/HILL CLIMB: Rick Terrill

We received the contract for our event at Summit Point on the Shenandoah Circuit with a 60% increase over 2021. Rick called them to discuss it, and they rolled back most of it. We also got the required permission from WDC Region to hold that event.

The deposit has been made to PIRC for our scheduled event June 11 & 12.

ROAD RACING REPORT: Bob Albert

We have decided on the annual awards and are waiting approval by the Road Racing Board.

We have contracts and have made deposits for our events at PIRC. There will be a Test & Tune April 28<sup>th</sup> before the Supertour April 29 through May 1<sup>st</sup>. June 11-12 is a driver school with the PVGP and a flag school. PIRC will have their own flag school sometime in mid-March. The End-of-Summer festival will be August 27-28. Supps and a budget will be done by the next meeting. Variables affecting the budget that are under Bob's control include golf carts, food, worker gifts and the number of rented workers. Bob hopes to clear enough profit to prepay 2023.

Our Chiefs of Specialty for the Supertour need to be from Steel Cities Region.

HISTORIAN: Don Baker

Ralph Raspa was recognized in SportsCar for 35 years of membership. Al Anselm had 20 years October 4<sup>th</sup>. Steve Mortimer had 15 years.

Daire Kaufman is currently hospitalized with Covid and bacterial pneumonia. She and her husband Wayne have been a big part of our Timing and Scoring team for many years. There is a card and an hat to sign here tonight for her. [ Secretary note: Daire passed away shortly after the meeting]  
Don Baker was recognized several times in a book called "They Started in MGs" by Carl Goodwin.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

Will we have an awards banquet? With the Sdo awards being virtual, we should ship the awards to the recipients so that they can display them. Zoom meeting banquet February 5<sup>th</sup> 7PM. AJ will tell Bob who does our engraving. AJ will email the BOD. Since we have had no 50/50, we need to pick an amount for the worker award. ***A motion (Baker/Hutzelman) to designate \$200 for the worker award passed 11-0-1 (Kern).***

Patches for the Supertour? Bob will talk to Coyote tomorrow (1/6/22).

The National Convention is coming up soon, and it is virtual. Registration opened 11/30 and the dates are January 21-29. They are having a big Data Acquisition seminar with real data from B-Spec. You must register and sign up to login and view it.

We will provide a refund to the driver who was griping.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

AJ asked if we would put together a committee for revising our bylaws. This was last done in 2010 when election procedures were the issue. Walt would need to have volunteers and a list of specific issues to be addressed. Rick Terrill, Gene Kern, Bob Albert and Jennifer DeVaeinck all volunteered. Now we need those who believe a revision is needed to clearly state the issues to be addressed. Then Walt will schedule a meeting.

Don Johnson wants to step down as Chief of Grid. Brian Urban volunteered to take over. The Comp Board needs to approve the change. Paul disagreed and thinks Don should pick his successor. Bob says that Brian has the National license, and has volunteered, so Brian is it.

***A motion (Mike Connolly/Chris Granche) to adjourn was approved 12-0-0 at 8:53PM***

Respectfully submitted by

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