

STEEL CITIES REGION, SCCA

General Membership Meeting October 1st, 2014 at Araci's Greentree Inn, 1006 Greentree Rd, Pittsburgh PA

Regional Executive Mark Connolly called the meeting to order at 7:31 PM.

A motion (Mike Connolly/Jim Farrar) to approve the minutes of the September meeting as published passed 9-0-0.

MEMBERSHIP: Paula Hawthorne

Last month we had 403 members; this month we have 407, up by 4. This is the highest we have ever had as long as I have been Membership Chairperson. New members are Matthew Hansen from Pittsburgh 15237, Paul Martini from Evans City, Robert Kuehner from Pittsburgh 15225, Joseph Teplitz from Oakmont, William Staley from Monroeville and Gregory Pietro from Cranberry.

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 \$55,192.20.

TRACK TRIALS REPORT & HILLCLIMB REPORT: Dave Merritt

Fall Weatherly was two weeks ago, and it was the last Hillclimb of the year. There were 95 entries. The annual banquet will be held November 1st and we will set the 2015 schedule then.

ROAD RACING REPORT: AJ Anselm

AJ passed out a list of current Steel Cities Region drivers' points to date for the year. A copy is attached to the archive copy of these minutes. There are 4 to 6 NeDiv & Great Lakes Division races currently scheduled that could affect these points.

There has been no word as yet from Division on the Driver School rotation. What do we want to do? The Track wants contracts. After discussion we decided to wait until after then miniconvention.

We have been given a Majors event August 14-16 2015 that is to be a dual conference (North Central & North Eastern). Our Fall event falls on Runoffs weekend. We can move it 2 weeks either way, back 2 weeks that would conflict with The Glen Fun One, or forward 2 weeks to Columbus Day weekend. October 17-18 is a NeOhio event at Nelson as far as we know, so we can't pair with them. We discussed several options at length, and decided it will be a Comp Committee decision after the Minicon discussion with Great Lakes Region (also the driver school & Regionals).

Dave went over the proposed Majors budget and passed out a report, a copy is attached to the archive copy of these minutes. We need to set the entry fee. Other Regions are charging \$525-550 on the average. We need food/pace car/etc sponsors. If National finds sponsors we get 30%, if we find them we get 70%. Can we negotiate for a piece of the gate? We can co-promote with the PVGP to try to get the PVGP audience to PIRC.

A motion (Heinz/Beth Anselm) to create a promotional committee for the Majors passed 9-0-0.

Paula made a list of those present who want to be on the committee.

HISTORIAN: Don Baker

No milestone anniversaries this month.

The members recognized for 12-19 days of participation in September but not recorded in the minutes were Pete Esposito, Jim Farrar, Keith Manning and Pat McDiarmid. This month Roger "Doc" Williams was recognized for 12-19 days.

SOLO REPORT:

No report.

RALLY REPORT:

No official report, but the BRMSCC September 28th event was reported to have been a nightmare.

OLD BUSINESS:

The annual holiday banquet will be held on January 31st at The Lamplighter Restaurant on Route 22 in Delmont, starting at 5PM. We will have the menu down for the next meeting. The Lamplighter is located on Route 22 East of Murrysville, near the intersection of Route 66 for easy access.

We are still checking out alternate meeting sites. Rodney's will not do separate checks, so it is out. Tolarico's at 2525 Monroeville Boulevard will work. It is near the back entrance to Monroeville Mall. Next month (November) we will meet at the Baltimore House, December will be here (Greentree Inn) and January will be at Tolarico's. Mark Connolly is attending the Minicon. Is anybody else interested? Call him if you are. There was an event at Nelson Ledges last weekend. The grass was cut, the track was patched and the water was working, but it was still rough. There were 58 racers entered, plus a PDX, for a total of 63 carts.

NEW BUSINESS:

Elections:

Walt has nominating petitions here now, and they are available on the website. Deadline is the close of the meeting 11/5/14. As of the time of this transcription, 11/3/14, petitions have been received from Beth Anselm, Mike Connolly, Bill Haus, Paula Hawthorne, and Walt Matenkosky.

A motion to adjourn the meeting (Mike Connolly/Jim Farrar) passed 9-0-0 at 8:43PM.

Respectfully submitted by

Walt Matenkosky, Secretary, Steel Cities Region, SCCA