

STEEL CITIES REGION, SCCA
General Membership Meeting January 3rd, 2024, at DeNunzio's Restaurant in Monroeville

Regional Executive Jim Locke convened the meeting at 7:30 PM .

A motion (Terrill/Montuoro) to approve the minutes of the November meeting as published passed 8-0-0.

A motion (Albert/Paula Locke) to approve the minutes of the December meeting as published passed 8-0-0.

TREASURER: Jim Locke for Gene Kern

Gene did not prepare a report, but submitted that our checking balance was \$104,385.93.

On 1/5/24 Gene emailed the following report:

	Checking Account	
12/01/23	Beginning Balance	\$148,159.71
12/31/23	Ending Balance	\$104,385.93
	Monthly Gain/loss	-\$43,773.78
01/01/23	Beginning Balance	\$152,880.38
12/31/23	Year to date	\$104,385.93
	Gain/loss	-\$48,494.45
	Outstanding Obligations:	
	PittRace Majors April 26 – 28 (Due 22 April)	\$58,615.00
	Drivers School June 1-2 (Due 1 April)	\$8,875.00
	PittRace August 23 - 25 Divisional (Due 19 August)	\$47,392.50
	Total Outstanding Obligations	\$114,882.50

"Note: PittRace cashed the 2 \$20,000 deposit checks on 20 December.

I'll have a full report available at the February BOD meeting."

MEMBERSHIP: Paula Locke

We had five new members in November, six did not renew, and no weekend members. In December we had four new members, no non-renewals and no weekend members. We have 611 members and 985 in the gallery (includes family members).

TRACK TRIALS/HILL CLIMB: Rick Terrill

The Pennsylvania Hillclimb Association (PHA) meeting is coming up January 27th in Fleetwood PA. Our Regional representatives are Rick Terrill and Glenn Hoffman, and we are looking for a third.

ROAD RACING REPORT: Bob Albert

The Extreme Experience invoice is at track cost, no markup.

Bob is preparing the annual awards. Contracts for 2024 are signed.

SOLO: Joe Montuoro

The temporary schedule is done, but we have to wait until National publishes theirs before we can make ours official.

We have been asked to do a second Starting Line school, in addition to the one in June. We could do it in April, but snow is still a possibility then. The questions of when would it be and will we do it remain unanswered.

Randy Bish asked about doing an Rallycross on private property. We need more information.

The trailer still has not been serviced. Jim Locke said he could work on it, but...

RALLY : (actually covered under Old Business - wm)

Chuck is still out of commission. He is not opposed to continuing, but nobody has asked yet. Jim said he would call. Meanwhile Jeff Hutzelman texted him, and Chuck replied that he would be honored to continue. He is at home doing physical therapy with a temporary prosthesis.

HISTORIAN: Don Baker

Nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS:

Radios: To buy 12 Motorola TP-200D (digital) units would cost \$8258.75 with chargers and headsets. We can rent the same radios from Bearcom in Lawrenceville and Greensburg for \$8 per weekend each, plus headsets and spare batteries at \$12. Discussion: Bob suggested renting this year. Technology changes quickly and we don't need to get stuck with unusable equipment. Mike had no legal license and we did not know that. We only need one license, and we can get our own. ***A motion (Walt/Chris) to rent radios for 2024 passed 8-0-0.***

We next discussed using Discord/WhatsApp/Text messaging and our own phones for Admin traffic with no resolution.

Party/Banquet: We will race Karts from 4-5:30 PM, and have dinner and the ceremony from 5:30 to 8PM. We got the menu from Darryl today - Chicken Marsala and plain grilled chicken, spaghetti with marinara sauce and meatballs, Mac & Cheese, roasted redskin potatoes, green beans, rolls, salad and a beverage. We have a limit of 100 guests. Karting costs \$70, dinner is \$30. It will be promoted on MSR, PGHAX and STCSCCA.com.

NEW BUSINESS:

A motion (Jim/Bob) to pay the deposit for the Extreme Experience event at PittRace at about \$20,000 passed 8-0-0.

Glenn said that he had difficulty finding information on the "Cumberland National" online. He was informed that the Cumberland is now a Majors and will continue to be called Cumberland.

Don Baker asked about our unfilled Board positions, especially the Rally chair opening. Chuck was offered.

A motion (Don/Bob) to approve Chuck Larouere as Rally Chairman passed 8-0-0.

Social Media - we need to ask Dan D. to find a volunteer. Joe was asked if he would be Assistant Treasurer and said yes, so ***a motion (Don/Chris) to appoint Joe Montuoro as Assistant Treasurer passed 8-0-0.***

Paula asked about the Regional awards. Gene has been tracking, Bob has the information, and will send it to Paula. The Secretary (Walt) should hold the official copy and have it posted to the website. Jim will send out a ballot for the BOD awarded stuff by Friday night.

Jeff : NeOH Region has an Enduro in May and asked Jeff to borrow our encoders. We need a motion to approve an equipment loan. ***A motion (Jim/Don) to approve a loan of our encoders with the usual stipulations covering loss or damage passed 8-0-0.***

Jeff also asked about loaning them out for the Runoffs if asked. ***A motion (Don/Jim) to loan them for the runoffs if asked passed 8-0-0.***

The NeDiv Convention is coming up 2/10-11/24. Gene, Paula and Bob plan to go. The Region usually covers the price of attendance. ***A motion (Paula/Joe) to pay the admission cost for STC members attending the NeDiv convention passed 8-0-0.*** Contact Gene if you would like to attend.

A motion to adjourn (Joe/Chris) was approved 7-0-1 (db) at 8:58PM.

Respectfully submitted by

Walt Matenkosky, Secretary, Steel Cities Region, SCCA