

East Region Governor's Meeting  
August 18, 2007  
Holiday Inn, Mechanicsburg, PA

The following NCCC East Region officers and governors were present for the meeting:

Mike Weil	Regional Executive
Joe Vasta	Regional Membership Director
Barb Erdman	Regional Secretary, Governor LCCC
Jeff Port	Regional Webmaster, USA-1
Brian Gallagher	Regional Competition Director, Governor, TCV
David Walter	Governor, CVCC
Keith Stanley	Guest, CVCC
Donald Graf	Governor, Cornerstone Corvette Club of Carroll County (CCCCC)
Dennis Morin	Governor, GBV
Andre Balanc	Governor, NVCC
George Gallant	Governor, BACC
Sherry Arego	President, Corvette Annapolis
Charlie Paun	Guest, Corvette Annapolis
Jeff Weiner	Governor, FSCC
Grant Ridgley	Governor, Classic Corvette Club Maryland
Don Haller	Governor, Corvette Club of America
Bill Trethaway	Governor, Central PA Corvette Club
John Cantelmo	Governor, Pocono Mountain CC
Michele Cantelmo	Guest, Pocono Mountain CC

The meeting was called to order by RE Mike Weil at 10:10 AM. The pledge of allegiance was given followed by introductions around the room. The secretary's report from the June 2007 meeting was given. David Walter moved and Jeff Weiner seconded the minutes stand approved as received via e-mail. The motion carried.

Jeff Port gave the treasurer's report in the absence of Karen Port. Andre Balanc moved and George Gallant seconded the motion for the report to be accepted as presented. The motion carried.

Jeff Port also gave his report on the website. Jeff mentioned wanting to change the area where governors log in the website to retrieve forms and will purchase a different software to make log-in easier for governors. Brian Gallagher asked Jeff if there is any type of software available to automate result sheets to correct current glitches he deals with after a governor submits event results. Jeff said he would look into it.

RMD Joe Vasta announced that he made a motion at the national meeting for NCCC to mail out membership cards only for 2008, eliminate the pocket calendar in any packet, have NCCC membership pins for both primary and spouse members, and send all other normal packet materials to every RMD for distribution to club governors for each individual club member. Joe said NCCC will still send out the pocket calendar for 2008. Joe did specify to NCCC to send all ER materials directly to him for the 2008 distribution to governors. Joe also reported the NCCC VP of Membership sent letters to the clubs of the Northeast Region explaining the lack of representation the members are

getting on the national level and what NCCC would like to see happen with the Northeast Region.

Joe brought up doing reports for Brian showing 22% of East Region members who have competed in at least one event. Several clubs had no members compete whatsoever. In an effort to focus on other things clubs in the East Region are doing beyond sanction events, Joe has requested several clubs to write articles for *Blue Bars* on these other type of events such as the American Idol contest to be held at Ocean City, MD during Corvette Weekend this year. FSCC is hosting this new contest and all clubs are invited to compete.

Governors were then reminded any applications received and submitted to Joe after September 1, 2007 will have dues paid for the remainder of 2007 and also 2008 for those respective new members. For renewals, Joe requested all governors use the NCCC forms sent to them for reporting and NOT devise their own type of form to report membership renewals. Dues renewal packets will be sent directly to governors by NCCC. Bill Trethaway then asked Joe how often the ER website is updated to include new members for event result purposes. Joe said if someone needs an immediate update for a new member to e-mail him and he would update the site earlier than his normal once a month update of new members.

Mike Weil announced George Gallant is running for NCCC Business Manager 2008 and anticipates winning that position on the executive board giving the East Region even more clout than before on the national level.

Brian Gallagher brought up the report done by Joe regarding the percentage of members in ER clubs who have competed and earned points. This was based on a motion made earlier to award a club with the most members participating, an award to recognize that. Larger clubs who are active usually dominate the sanctioned points arena. A smaller club has not a chance to compete with a 200+ member club. However if we take the percentage of members versus members with 2 or more points, a different outcome MAY happen and by this, a smaller active club can be recognized. What this award will/should be will have to be determined in the future.

A discussion occurred regarding clubs showing limited numbers of NCCC members when it is known that a club has more members beyond the number actually being reported to NCCC. What this means is that a club is paying for a minority of members yes is relishing in the protection of our K&K insurance for everyone. A club is covered for all events published. If a club has 10 members in NCCC and 50 members total, the liability umbrella is extended to the entire CLUB.... So the club is covered for whatever damage those 50 members could cause.

George Gallant moved a letter be sent to all clubs from the Regional Membership Director reminding them of Article 4 of the NCCC by-laws regarding membership rules and that this will be enforced with renewals for 2008. Jeff Weiner seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Joe mentioned the reason of loss of some clubs last year was the clubs who quit NCCC reported they could get cheaper insurance for their events from other insurance companies beyond K&K Insurance. Mike reminded governors again that any event,

sanctioned or not, is covered by K&K Insurance Co. as long as that event is printed in a club newsletter.

Brian said that after the new form to pick sanction events in 2006 was so successful, he will be using the same format this year to pick sanction dates for 2008. He will send the form via e-mail to all governors and governors should pick dates and return the form via e-mail to him prior to the October Regional meeting when any conflicts with sanction dates for 2008 will be resolved at that time. He also reminded governors that he MUST receive the official NCCC flyer for events and fancy flyers can be used for a club's own purposes. Brian then requested input from governors regarding clubs holding sanctioned events during the four national meetings throughout the year. After discussion, all governors felt Brian should vote to keep sanction events off any national meeting dates.

Brian also brought up the 2008 rulebook and possible point value changes in **Concours** classes such as 10 points awarded for best paint, best interior, etc. and 11 points awarded for best of show. Dennis Morin said GBV would support offering bonus in concours classes to compete with bonus points awarded in speed events. Mike remarked that a change in Fun Show concours points comes from trying to generate more participation in events. Brian also had a breakdown of how NCCC wanted to change the classes for speed events. After discussion, the governors asked Brian to vote down many of the proposed changes.

David Walter suggested the 2008 rulebook be sold instead of each member being sent one by NCCC. The new rulebook will be available on-line at the NCCC website.

Under Old Business – The steering committee members for the 2008 Spectacular are: Dennis Morin; Chairman, Mike Weil, George Gallant, Brian Gallagher, Joe Vasta, David Walter and Steve Johnson. Dennis spoke with George about getting the date for the 2008 event at the Ripkin Stadium. George will pursue this after Corvettes @ Carlisle at the end of August.

Under New Business – Mike Weil brought up the issue on exactly what Joe and Brian must do behind the scenes on result sheets after governors submit event results as well as keeping all the membership records by Joe. He requested Joe, Jeff Port and Brian to investigate software programs for the future of the East Region so a changeover could possibly occur for 2009. Jeff mentioned the current programming has worked in pieces in the past and 2 years ago he had projected a program that could do everything the region wanted with membership, results and the website. Joe Vasta reminded that any specifications must be detailed for the region prior to contacting a programmer to develop such a program for the region. John Cantelmo asked if a committee could be formed to move forward for a new system. George Gallant moved and David Walter seconded the motion that the region give Jeff Port the authority to develop the specifications for a new program with a \$12,000 cap. Joe Vasta opened discussion saying “Developing a program, or awarding a contract to develop a program, without complete, detailed specifications is a recipe for disaster-often resulting programs that do not perform as expected and traditionally resulting in massive cost overruns. Mike said Jeff would still need funding to get these specifications down before going to any programmer. The program would need to be owned completely by the East Region and in the future, if other regions of NCCC wanted to use our system of reporting, the East Region could charge them for usage. After discussion, Mike called for a vote on the \$12 K cap limit to contact a

developer. The motion carried and Jeff Port will begin work on the specifications along with Joe Vasta, Andre Balanc, Dennis Morin, and Brian Gallagher to make sure everything the region needs to work in the future will be included in the program.

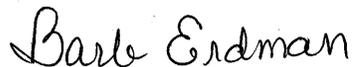
Mike then brought up a proposal he had received from Karen Port with regard to having each regional club represented at regional meetings during the course of the year. David Walter moved that each club must be represented at 2 regional meetings a year. Jeff Weiner seconded the motion. Joe Vasta asked what would happen if a club was not in attendance for 2 meetings. David amended his motion that each club must be represented at 2 regional meetings a year and clubs not having a representative attending will forfeit rights and privileges of a club in good standing in the East Region for an ensuing year. Don Haller seconded the motion and the motion carried by majority vote.

Jeff Port suggested the East Region do a list of standing rules so new governors would be able to view rules developed by governor for the East Region.

George Gallant announced he had bids for review for the 2009 national convention by Rocky Mountain Region and Grand Rapids, MI region. The convention will be held August 7-14, 2009.

Mike Weil won the 50/50 for a total of \$37.00. The next meeting will be held October 6 at the Holiday Inn. The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barb Erdman".

Barb Erdman, Governor LCCC  
Regional Secretary