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**East Region Governor's Meeting
August 2, 2008
Holiday Inn, Mechanicsburg, PA**

The following NCCC East Region (ER) officers, governors, and guests were present for the meeting:

Joe Vasta	Regional Membership Director (RMD)
Karen Port	Governor, USA-1; ER Treasurer
David Walter	Governor, Cumberland Valley CC (CVCC)
Dennis Morin	Governor, G-Burg Vettes (GBV)
George Gallant	Governor, Bel Air Corvette Club (BACC)
Charlie Parsons	Governor, Corvette Annapolis (CA)
Dick Heisler	Governor, York County Corvette Club (YCCC)
Kim Casselberry	Governor, Central Penn Corvette Club (CPCC)
David Rankin	Governor, Shenandoah Valley Corvette Club (SVCC)
Rich Taylor	Governor, Corvette Club of America (CCA)
Jeff Port	Webmaster, USA-1 Corvette Club (USA-1)
Joe Kennedy	Guest, GBV
Sherry Arigo	Guest, CA

The meeting was called to order by RMD Joe Vasta at 10:05 AM, who opened the meeting by leading the Pledge of Allegiance. He provided an agenda for review. The minutes follow the agenda provided.

The position of East Region Executive is open. The Regional Competition Director (RCD) and the ER Secretary, Steve Johnson, were unable to attend. Dennis Morin volunteered to generate the minutes for the meeting.

Joe Vasta asked for introductions. Nine of 27 club governors were present; constituting a Quorum, per the current Bylaws.

Reading and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

The Secretary had distributed minutes of the May meeting electronically to the Executive Board and ER Governors. No one present offered additions or corrections to the published minutes. Dennis Morin moved and Dave Walter seconded a motion to approve the minutes as published. Motion carried.

Presentation and approval of the Treasurer's Report

Karen Port presented the Treasurer's report. No questions or corrections offered. Dave Walter moved and George Gallant seconded a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

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RE Meeting Report

George Gallant attended the RE meeting at the June Convention and provided the following:

Dick Yanko, NCCC President, announced that, from discussions at the May meeting, a Change Committee had been appointed. Members to this point are: Dennis Patrick, Penn Pritchett, Jim Asbury, Kevin Milton, and **Joe Vasta**. The Change Committee is to look at everything NCCC does. Dick envisioned the Committee standing for approximately two years, during which time they would develop a plan to present to the Governors.

Joe Vasta stated that he had been in contact with the other committee members and had provided a preliminary assessment discussion outline for review and comment.

The 2010 Convention will be at the Hilton, West Palm Beach, FL. Room rates will be approximately \$99.00 a night. Speed events will be at Moroso Motorsports Park, about 15 minutes from WPB. Facility info: <http://www.morosomotorsportspark.com/>. Trailers will need to be parked at Moroso. There will be shuttle service from the hotel to Moroso.

RCD Meeting Report

Dave Walter attended the RCD meeting at the June Convention and provided the following:

A sanctioned event that must be cancelled due to natural disaster or similar circumstances may be rescheduled.

Rule book is available for download from the NCCC Website, <http://www.corvettesnccc.org/NCCCHandbook.html>. No hard copy books or CD's are available from NCCC. (Dennis Patrick may have some for sale, with binder). It has been clarified that the link above will constitute every member's entitlement to a rule book and no copies or CD's will be distributed.

Official NCCC Forms are not mandated, as long as the event form contains all required information. Forms are available for download from the NCCC site, <http://www.corvettesnccc.org/Forms.html>. The ER also has a link to this page, <http://www.ernccc.org/forms.php>

SE Region has submitted a Rulebook Clarification Request: *"Is it allowable for a General Motors accessory replacement spoiler to be installed under the definition of "cosmetic" without it changing the competition Group?"*

Another discussion item before the RCDs concerns roll bars and fire extinguishers in GP III, RP, RPAF cars for low speed events, and rules on Superchargers in low speed events.

Governors were requested to review these clarification requests and invited to provide comments to the RCD. However National VP COMP has initiated more stringent deadlines for these and other discussions; Aug 11 is the latest deadline. The RCD will vote to the best of his judgment on these items.

NOTE: The full text and associated discussion were included with the RCD report, mailed to all governors by Steve Johnson, Secretary, subsequent to the meeting.

RMD Meeting Report

Joe Vasta reminded the Governors to check the lower right corner of the ERNCCC home page for latest updates on points and member lists. It was suggested that Trophy Fund updates also be posted. Joe Vasta stated that the RMD and Webmaster will do so.

New Members

Joe Vasta recommended that clubs enrolling new members hold off until after Sep 1. Initial dues paid after Sep 1 will cover the balance of this year and next year as well.

2009 – 50th Anniversary

2009 will be the 50th anniversary for NCCC. A commemorative membership card will be issued to all members for 2009. Life members need to retain their existing lifetime membership card.

The NCCC 50th Anniversary Gala will be held in St Louis in conjunction with the November 2009 National Governor's Meeting.

Old Business

None

New Business

Regional Executive Vacancy

Per Article VI, Section 5, Vacancies, of the ER Bylaws

“A vacancy in any elected office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification, or otherwise may be filled by the Regional Board of Governors, for the unexpired portion of the term at the next regularly scheduled meeting. The individual member receiving the greatest number of votes (one vote per club in good standing) shall serve the duration of the term.”

The resignation of Mike Weil results in an RE vacancy. Joe Vasta had expressed an interest in the RE position. His election would create a vacancy in the RMD position. Dennis Morin stated that, subject to the approval of the Board of Governors, he would serve as the RMD for the duration of the term and would accept nomination for the following year.

Dave Walter moved, and George Gallant seconded a motion for a vote of confidence by the Governors to allow Joe Vasta and Dennis Morin to fulfill the roles and responsibilities of the RE and RMD for the duration of the term. The motion was approved by all nine Governors present (a Governor may vote for his/her self). Governors present completed proxy forms for Joe Vasta as the RE for the two remaining meetings this year. Joe Vasta and Dennis Morin will attend the September meeting as the RE and RMD respectively.

NOTE: RCD Brian Gallagher will not be able to attend the National Governor's Meeting

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in St Louis in Sept. He would like ER representation as several important rule book issues are being voted on. Anyone wishing to proxy for Brian need contact him ASAP to let VP Comp aware of the change.

Elections

Per Article VI, Section 2, Election, of the ER Bylaws

“The Board of Governors shall elect one individual member from their region to each Regional officer position. No person can hold more than one Regional office. Nominations shall take place at the August Regional meeting. The Regional Secretary/Treasurer or an appropriately designated person will print ballots and distribute them (postmarked by a certain date) to each Governor of clubs in good standing. The Governor will then return the ballot to the Regional Secretary/Treasurer or appropriately designated person on or before (a specified date). Each club shall thusly have one vote and the individual member receiving the greatest number of votes shall serve as the REGION's officer. Announcement of the officers will be made at the November Regional meeting. In the case of a tie, those Governors in attendance at this meeting will break the tie.”

Initial Nominations are:

For RE: George Gallant nominated Joe Vasta
For RCD: Dave Walter nominated Brian Gallagher
For RMD: George Gallant nominated Dennis Morin
For Secretary: Jeff Port nominated Steven Johnson
For Treasurer: George Gallant nominated Karen Port

The WebMaster is an appointed position.

Nominations shall remain open until the October meeting. Governors may submit names of additional nominees to the Secretary until the October meeting. Dennis Morin suggested that a nominating Governor contact the nominee to confirm acceptance prior to submitting the nomination.

The Secretary will prepare and distribute ballot information to the Governors following the October meeting and establish a return date for completed ballots to ensure that Governors unable to attend submit ballots in time to be counted at the December meeting. (There is no scheduled Regional meeting in November).

Dick Heisler, YCCC and Kim Casselberry CPCC will constitute the tellers to count votes at the December meeting. Results of the elections will be announced at the December meeting; new officers will assume duties in January 2009.

ER Bylaws Revision

The ER Bylaws were adopted 1/21/1989 and are in need of updating. A core committee, consisting of Dennis Morin (Chair), Karen Port, David Rankin, and Jeff Port was established. Jeff Port will establish a Google collaboration group and post the base 1989 bylaws as a *.pdf document and a working copy as a *.doc document. The committee may solicit assistance from other ER Governors and members. Requirements for a legal review

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of the revised bylaws are to be determined. The committee will provide a status report at the October meeting.

Rulebook Questions

Charlie Parsons, CA, observed a participant with what appeared to be a beer in the show area at a recent show. On confronting the participant, he found that it was a NON-ALCOHOLIC beer. Is this OK? Answer: Yes; the prohibition is for ALCOHOLIC beverages.

Sherry Arigo, CA, asked if a waiver form signature was required for an individual to receive points for a sanctioned event. Answer: Yes – no signature, no credit. It is the individual's responsibility to ensure he/she signs the event waiver form. Note that the signature on the waiver form not only indemnifies the host club but also indemnifies the participant.

Sherry Arigo, CA, asked if there were more guidelines for Peoples Choice Concours than the rather general guidelines in the rulebook. Section 7.21 provides the most specific guidelines. Dick Heisler, YCCC, stated that his club had developed a document: *Guidelines for Fun Shows*, and would provide a copy to CA, and other clubs on request.

Corvettes at Carlisle – NCCC Booth Staffing

George Gallant asked for volunteers to staff the booth Fri, Sat, Sun (three three-hour shifts daily: 8-11, 11-2, 2-5). Primary task is selling raffle tickets, to benefit National Kidney Foundation (NKF). Three workers per shift required. The sign-up list will go out to all Governors separately. Workers ONLY will be eligible for a drawing for a \$1000.00 tire certificate from Tire Rack. Contact George Gallant to sign up, or with any questions.

Results Forms

Dave Walter reported that the "Under 200 attendees" version of the results form only accommodates 47 entrants. Kim Castleberry also reported that it only accommodates 18 workers. More entrants or more workers require use of the "Over 200 attendees" version. Dennis Morin suggested that, since Brian Gallagher has to transfer the results to the NCCC format, it is preferable to get a copy of what Brian submits to NCCC and electronically distribute that copy to participants, since it does not have the member list as part of the file. Request from Brian: Please do not submit a new results sheet when an omission is found. Just email him with the correction or addition. Keep in mind, an omission will affect other entrant's points so be very clear as to what you are updating. And note the RED errors. Fix the error before submission. More than likely, the very last thing inputted caused it. Go to EDIT and undo and it will probably go away.

East Region Vette–Work

Jeff Port, Webmaster, demonstrated a "Trial" Poll & Survey he created for possible use across the site membership or within specific Groups, e.g., Governors and ER Officers. Before fully testing the viability of such an approach, we need all the governors signed up

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and in the Governor's Group. Jeff has a list in the Governors Only Group called "Who's Who" that lists who is signed up to the Vette-work and whether or not they have joined the Governor's Group. Governors – please sign up, using the invitation email link – so we can have all the governors signed on to the Governors Only Group on the Vette-work.

Managing Shared Documents

Some of the ER Governors and Officers have experienced continuing problems in opening some files (especially *.xls files). Much of the problem stems from domain servers not allowing or “stripping” attachments from email. A solution is to establish a file sharing utility, consisting of a web-based application accessible to the sender(s) and receiver(s). The sender would post a copy of the document at the web address, and then copy and send the link to the receiver(s). The receiver would use the link to access the file. Utility software to provide this capability is commercially available and widely used. Jeff Port has identified multiple products, available for less than \$200.00. Dennis Morin moved and David Rankin seconded a motion to authorize Jeff Port to expend funds not to exceed \$200.00 to obtain licensed software to provide this capability. Motion carried.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Joe Vasta requested a call for adjournment. Dave Walter moved and Kim Casselberry seconded the motion to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 12:10 pm. The next meeting will be held on October 11, 2008 at the Holiday Inn.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis Morin, Governor, GBV and provisional East Region RMD
Proxy Regional Secretary