DATE: September 12, 2022



# **CIRPCA MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Pete Walker, Amanda Brown, Greg Brown, Larry Clarino, Fred Greulich, David Weaver, Jimmy Arata, Greg Smith.

CLUB MEMBERS PRESENT: Maureen Greulich, Pam Clarino.

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM by Club President Pete Walker.

## APPROVAL OF 8/1/22 MINUTES

• The meeting minutes were approved by the Board and have been posted to the CIRPCA website.

#### **AGENDA ITEMS**

- President's Report
  - Artomobilia enjoyed great weather and was a success with over 70 Porsches in attendance, the marque with the largest representation.
  - Graham Rahal Performance in Zionsville has reached to Pete offering to hold a tech session. Pete has asked them for potential dates and topics and is awaiting a response.
  - PRI (Performance Racing Industry) in Speedway offered its building for an in-person Board
    meeting and also offered to "collaborate" with us but offered no specifics regarding how.
     Pete thanked them and mentioned our virtual board meeting format is currently working
    well. Also, since they are a very large trade show geared to racing professionals, the
    benefit of partnering with them is unclear.
  - The revised draft of the By-Laws has been sent to PCA for review and we expect to receive feedback in the next week or two. Members will then be sent an e-mail with a link to the By-Laws on the club website. Also, Pete will develop an "executive summary" of changes that will be included at the top of the revised By-Laws so members can easily understand what was revised. The last By-Law revision process step will be a member vote leading to adoption at the beginning of 2023.
  - A free on-line tool will be used for upcoming balloting and the Secretary will tally votes.
     Greg Smith will aid in ensuring that only valid members vote. November 1<sup>st</sup> is the voting deadline.
- DE
- Instructors are needed for upcoming HPDE at Putnam Park. Mark will reach out to former instructors.

- No t-shirt sponsors have committed for the event. Registration currently sits at 110 with 6 people on the wait list.
- Greg will generate an invoice for Tom Wood's sponsorship and Pete will deliver it this week.
- Mark Westlake is considering stepping down from the DE chairman role. We are looking for folks interested in backfilling for Mark. Pete will fill the role on an interim basis if required.
- Mark has done a thorough job of documenting how to run DE events which will be very helpful. David will obtain this document and include it in the media library.

## • Vice President's Report

- Nominating Committee details shared by Amanda Currently, there are no Activities Chair candidates, Anthony Smith will be on the ballot for Treasurer and Fred will be on the ballot for Secretary.
- Pete will send an e-mail to membership soliciting candidates for the Activities Chair role.

## • Treasurer's Report

- One sponsor has not yet paid for Spring HPDE Event. We will follow up.
- One CD matures next month. Greg will watch interest rates and determine appropriate action.
- Club finances are tight this year in large part due to high inflation. Overall, we are slightly cash positive, appropriate for our not-for-profit status.
- Greg is working to resolve an issue with the IRS from a few years ago regarding club taxes.
- Since HPDE events are such a large portion of our cost structure, we are planning to relook at budgets for next year.

### Newsletter Report

• Next issue will be out October 1<sup>st</sup>. Pam discussed including a sample of the on-line ballot with instructions regarding how to complete it.

## Holiday Party

- Maureen and Pam are planning the Holiday Party which will be held on December 10<sup>th</sup> from 5-9 PM at Tom Wood Porsche (they will provide the space plus table centerpieces.)
- Amanda will supply the vendor name to contact for tables and chairs. We are set up with a tax number at Party City for club discounts.
- A Holiday gift exchange (\$25 max value) will also be included and Will Anthony,
   a club member, will set up his photography booth again this year.
- We are planning to accommodate up to 60 members and 10 sponsors.
- The Board allocated a \$5,500 budget for the event and set \$55 as the max to charge each member (could be a bit less.)
- Pam will include a link to the new By-Laws in the Newsletter.
- A January 21<sup>st</sup> lunch/dinner will be held at Pasto Italiano in Westfield.
- A Tech session with Ed Carpenter as speaker will be held at Sonax on a Saturday in February TBD.
- Larry is working on another speaker (Al Unser, Jr. potentially) for an event in May at the Westfield Playhouse. The Playhouse will be made available to us.
- It was mentioned that we have a very sparse calendar for the rest of the year. Pam and Larry will investigate scheduling a November or January Saturday breakfast.

### Membership Report

- Membership as of August 31, 2022 -
  - New Members: 22 (Carmel 5, Indianapolis 4, Fishers 3, Fort Wayne 2, Marion 1, Roanoke 1, Martinsville 1, Zionsville 1, Anderson 1, Morgantown 1, Greensburg 1, Shelbyville 1)
  - Transfer In: 1 (from Ozark Lakes)
  - Transfer out: 1 (to Suncoast Florida)
  - Non-Renewals: 16
  - o Renewals: 35
  - o Total Primary Members: 761
  - o Affiliate Members: 439
  - Total Region Membership: 1200 (OUR FIRST TIME TO 1200 MEMBERS!)
- Test Drive Participants: 0
- Greg planned to have a drive scheduled in Fort Wayne this fall, but personal circumstances have prevented this.

• The Red Brick Reunion had a good turnout this year with some wonderful Porsches being presented and a revised format for judging.

#### Fort Wayne

- Philanthropy
  - Jimmy developed some thoughts on handling club philanthropy since no current policies or guidelines are available. He will identify a group of four members to help him flesh-out draft guidelines/policies.
  - In the interim, Pete will take Jimmy's input and draft a "first look" for Board review.
  - A discussion was held centered on making sure any philanthropic direction is absolutely in line with the club's charter and clearly follows IRS rules governing our club.
  - Greg B. noted that we might think more broadly about philanthropic work e.g., we could hold events that don't involve money, but instead involve volunteering time (such as adopting a highway)
- No events are currently on the Fort Wayne calendar.

#### Website

- David asked that we mention in the newsletter that all meeting minutes are on the website.
- Since PCA has begun hosting our website, the number of unauthorized logon attempts has increased substantially. The reason for this is not clear.
- There continue to be occasional issues with members logging on. David is dealing with these as they arise.
- Going to the Dogs tour was a success. A few generous donations were provided by members (beyond the event sign-up costs.) Total for the charity will be \$1,600.
- David mentioned that Development Domains are now available for his use leading to fewer issues when changes "go-live."

The next meeting will be on October 3, 2022. The meeting location is TBD with remote access available through the ZOOM platform.

Pete adjourned the meeting at 8:49 PM.