

NCCC Southwest Region Governors Meeting
March 16, 2014
Oklahoma City, OK

Regional Executive Cheryl Surdick called the Southwest Region Governors' meeting to order at the Embassy Suites in Oklahoma City, OK at 8:30 AM on March 16, 2014.

Introduction of Region Officers and Governors:

Regional Executive Cheryl Surdick introduced herself, followed by RCD Craig Kamradt, RMD Bob Pattillo, Treasurer Paul Wolter, Scholarship Director Mary Anne Kolb, Webmaster Doug McMahan, and Secretary Cathy Anthony.

Governors and Proxies Present:

Craig Kamradt	CTCC	Bob Pattillo	CMCT
Glenda McMahan	CTV	Dave Hemphill	LCC
Paul Wolter	CCT	Ron Ruston	OCCC
Marlene Pattillo	SJCC	Ken Sutton	TV
Jon Bradford	TOCC	Ted Molenda	THT

Not attending were governors of Brazos River CC, C.O.A.S.T., CC of Oklahoma City, East Texas CC, Mid Coast CC, North Texas Vettes, Sun Cities CC, Tulsa Vette Set and Texas Competition CC.

REGIONAL REPORTS:

Secretary – Cathy Anthony:

There were no additions/corrections to the November 2, 2013 meeting minutes. A motion was made by Bob Pattillo to approve the minutes of the last meeting as posted. Ted Molenda seconded. The motion passed.

Treasurer – Paul Wolter:

-As of this meeting, all clubs have paid 2014 dues.

-Treasurer's report was reviewed. The corrections requested at the last meeting were made as follows:

1. Hallet Reserve Summary correction: the two contributions shown as OCCC are now shown as "SCCC/OCCC".
2. Deposits are identified by the specific club in memo section of the Register Report.
3. Hallet Reserve Summary lists the San Jacinto Corvette Club contribution of \$183.00.

-The amount of \$132.00 – proceeds of the 50/50 raffle at the Awards Banquet – will be applied to the Scholarship Fund.

A motion was made by Bob Pattillo to pass the treasurer's report as presented. Dave Hemphill seconded. The motion passed.

Scholarship Director – Mary Anne Kolb

The scholarship information is on the web site and is up to date. The governors were asked to get the word out to their membership. Mary Ann reminded everyone that it is the governors' responsibility to document the applicant's NCCC participation in either club or region activities.

Webmaster - Doug McMahan:

- Website is up-to-date with the corrected 2014 schedule. Due to track availability, the dates of two previously listed events “had to flip flop”.
- Reminder that there is a web page for non-NCCC events. This is a good way to advertise local club events/non-NCCC car shows, etc.
- C7 and stingray Corvette logos:
Reminder: NCCC does not have authority to use either of these logos. GM has sold exclusive rights to these logos to two companies. There is a picture of a C7 on the “Why NCCC” flyer. Doug noted that he received permission to do this because he took the picture and can prove it.
- Doug distributed a new edition of the small NCCC flyer. He asked that all prior copies be thrown out and the latest edition be used as the insurance and Family Helping Family sections have changed.
- National has set up an E-Mail box for each club. This was done for a couple of reasons: some ISPs are blocking email blasts, causing some members to not receive club emails; ease of transition when an office is handed over to the next person. Doug reminded the governors to log in and change the default password on their club’s account as soon as possible. The SW Region distribution list is still in place and maintained. This will continue be used for SW Region specific communications.

Regional Membership Director – Bob Pattillo:

- The 2014 Governors list was distributed. Attendees were asked to mark any corrections. Only half of the clubs have returned information sheets for this year.
- Returned mailings will be sent to the member’s governor. Please get those addresses corrected in the database ASAP.
- Blue Bars: In order to keep the periodical rate with the post office, every primary member must sign a statement saying they understand that \$10.00 of their dues is being applied towards this postal fee. Clubs have the option of either printing the NCCC application from the Governor’s screen or (preferred method) include a statement on their club’s membership form. Governors must provide a copy of a signed application that includes this statement to the RMD for each new member.

Regional Competition Director - Craig Kamradt:

- Competition meetings are now open to the membership. Guests should communicate to their RCD any topics/changes they are interested in hearing discussion on prior to the meeting.
- Competition calendar: the yahoo competition calendar is not available anymore. There are links at the bottom of the SW Region schedule to view the National Competition Database – filtered by “SWR” or “All Regions”.
- Record Drags: Drag records are official as of January 1, 2014. Record drags to be held 5/25/2014 and 10/19/2014, with another event in the Western Region on an unscheduled date.
- High Speed Schools: Hallet has been approved as a high speed school. Members that would like a high speed license can qualify by making the first 3 events of the year without attending an approved school. If you have members interested in a high speed license, taking this course is recommended in order to get a better understanding of high speed driving. A high speed school is also available in the Eastern Region.
- The West Coast Region announced that they would be holding another get together (mini-convention) in Las Vegas for 2015 on April 9 – 12. The host hotel is the Silverton. Competition will include events at Spring Mountain, the Ron Fellows Facility/School.
- There has been some confusion on how Chairman/co-Chairman points are categorized. They will now go to the overall total as “worker points” – not by sub-categories (i.e. car show, drags, and speed events). This is the way National has always done it. National only looks at total points where the SW Region (and some other Regions)

looks at points by sub-categories for annual awards. Regional “plaque” awards are determined by points per sub-category. Jackets are awarded on total overall points for both regional and national. After much discussion it was decided that the region will conform to the national criteria. If any governor wants this changed, it will be involve a rewrite of the current standing rule and should be brought up at the next governor’s meeting.

-Governor’s may start entering sanctions into the database for this year’s events.

-The latest copy of the Competition Database user’s guide has been sent out.

-Governors need to collect the money from the award winners who chose to get a t-shirt in addition to the jacket. Some have already paid. Reminders will be sent out to those still owing sometime next week.

-2014 Rulebook Changes (from 2013 committee):

A. Review of changes SW Region governors approved last year:

-Competitor riding as a passenger with a novice

-Passenger age lowered from 16 to 12

-Maps will be eliminated from flyers

-Change high speed license requirements from 10 events over 3 weekends to 40 events over 5 weekends. (This may not pass other regions. Some regions claim that they may only have 40 events in a year.)

B. Changes not approved are largely related to class changes.

Governors will be sent copies of the changes in time to discuss with their membership for their April meeting. Please respond to the RCD with your club’s questions/concerns prior to the next National meeting (deadline is April 23).

-Any events added to the competition schedule from this meeting to the end of the year are 2nd choice events.

Regional Executive – Cheryl Surdick

-2014 NCCC Insurance:

There have been some misstatements regarding policies and coverage in the past. Jack Wilson, NCCC Business Manager, has reviewed the policy and documented a summary of policies and coverage. A copy of this summary was distributed to the SWR governor’s via email prior to this meeting. This information is now listed within the FAQs on the NCCC website. Questions that are not answered here can be submitted by a governor to Jack via email. Copies of the actual policy will no longer be distributed since, in the past, clubs have requested this in order to “shop around” for other coverage.

Insurance certificates are now specific “per event” – no generic certificates. Turnaround on receiving requested certificates is fast. Requests can include multiple dates/events. There is a sample certificate on the web site – marked “Sample” – that can be printed to show proof of insurance when arranging a venue. Some businesses accept this; some require the certificate specific for their location.

Minor waiver requirements have been reduced to “custodial parent” or “legal guardian”. If an adult brings a minor and states they are the guardian, we will accept their signature.

OLD BUSINESS:

Hallet race weekend has been finalized and the flyer is available on the Regional web site. The weekend will include a Friday play day and high speed school for additional fees. Track rental has gone up. This event requires 35 entries to “break even”. Governors were asked to “get the word out”, encouraging their membership to attend.

NEW BUSINESS:

-Silvia Hoaldrige will be stepping down as “Blue Bars” editor on December 31, 2014. Governors were asked to announce this opening position to membership for replacement candidates.

-The Hallet event has been operating in the red for a number of years. Revenue generating ideas are needed to correct this so we can continue to race at this track. A proposal to add a touring event during this year’s race weekend was made by Dale Acker – speaking on behalf of himself and Jerry Britner.

PROS:

- Other car clubs (SCCA, NASA) successfully incorporate touring events into their race weekends.
- Hallet hosts these “multi-event” events frequently and is comfortable with it.
- Hallet offers insurance for the touring event participants (necessary since NCCC insurance will not cover them).
- Twenty “touring” participants would generate an additional \$3500 (approx. - after insurance) in club revenue for the event.

CONS:

- Adding these events would cause the NCCC events to finish very late in the day.
- NCCC hires Hallet employees to work our event. These same people would also have to be working during the touring segments. The Hallet employees cannot work all day without a break.
- Dale/Jerry did not present a written proposal/plan.

The Hallet event is scheduled prior to the next governors meeting. Because of this, and after much discussion, this matter was put to a vote. John Bradford made a motion to approve adding the touring event to the Hallet race on May 10-11, 2014. Dave Hemphill seconded. The motion passed with 8 approved, 1 opposed and 1 abstained.

-Region by-laws were last updated in 2011. Volunteers are needed to review in 2014. Glenda McMahan, Bernyce Molenda and Bob Pattillo agreed to be on the committee.

Main points to be considered:

1. How they compare with what we are actually doing.
2. How they compare to National by-laws
3. Will electronic voting violate current by-laws?

-Electronic Ballots

National currently uses this method. Cheryl asked if the SWR would like to test it and consider changing to electronic ballots for regional elections. Craig Kamradt made a motion to test this. Bob Pattillo seconded. The motion passed.

-Annual Awards Banquet

2013 Awards Banquet was a success.

2014 Awards Banquet - no club has volunteered to host as of this meeting.

-Annual Treasurer Audit

Bernyce Molenda was asked to perform this again for the 2013 year.

-2013 National Convention

-As of March 14, 462 people have signed up.

-Governors were asked to verify that member’s email address is present and correct.

-Day pass registration opens April.

-Price increases April 1.

-Host hotel, The Westin at Savannah, is adding approximately 10 rooms/week but they are running out. Let membership know if they are interested in staying at The Westin to make reservations now. Call the hotel directly and ask for In-House Registration. Make sure the person you are talking with understands you are with NCCC. If you have any problems, contact Bernyce Molenda. Reminder: Day Passes cannot do any events. Can attend dinners/parties and river boat cruise.

-Cowtown Vettes is having their 40th Anniversary Celebration on May 31st. All region members are invited to attend. Glenda McMahan passed out invitations to each of the governors. Cost is \$15 for members and \$30 for non-members. The reservation deadline is May 15, 2014.

End of new business. Bob Pattillo made a motion to adjourn. Craig Kamradt seconded. The SW Regional Governors meeting was adjourned at 10:40 AM.

The next SWR Governors meeting will be held at 7 PM in Mineral Wells, TX on May 17, 2014 at the Holiday Inn Express.

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Anthony
NCCC Southwest Region Secretary