

NCCC Southwest Region Governors Meeting
October 29, 2016
Kyle, Texas

Regional Executive Doc Lambert called the Southwest Region Governors' Meeting to order at 7:06 PM on October 29, 2016 at the La Quinta Inn in Kyle, Texas.

Introduction of Region Officers and Governors:

Regional Executive Doc Lambert introduced himself followed by RCD and Webmaster Doug McMahan, RMD Ron Ruston, Secretary Cathy Anthony and Scholarship Director Mary Anne Kolb. Treasurer Paul Wolter was not in attendance.

Governors and Proxies Present:

Craig Kamradt	CTCC	Mike Sears	LCC
Glenda McMahan	CTV	Bernyce Molenda	THT
Fred Bakenhus (proxy)	CMCT	George Stracke	TV
Jon Bradford	TOCC	Lourdes Bakenhus (proxy)	SJCC
James Garvin	COAST		

Not attending were governors of Brazos River CC, Corvette Club of Texas, CC of Oklahoma City, East Texas CC, Mid Coast CC, North Texas Vettes, Oklahoma City Corvette Club, Sun Cities CC, Tulsa Vette Set, Club of Texas and Texas Competition CC.

Guests included Jerry Britner from Tin Hall Toys, Dean Lackey from Tejas Vettes, Tim Bradford from Texas Outlaws and Roger and Nelda Mitchell MAL.

REGIONAL REPORTS:

Secretary – Cathy Anthony:

- There were no corrections or additions to the August 13, 2016 meeting minutes.
- Bernyce Molenda made a motion to approve. George Strake seconded.
No one was opposed. Motion Passed.

Treasurer – Doc Lambert for Paul Wolter:

- The following treasurer reports were submitted and reviewed:
 - Period ending October 29, 2016
 - Register report 8/14/16 through 10/27/16
- There were no corrections or additions to the treasurer reports.
- Mike Sears made a motion to approve the Treasurer reports. Bernyce Molenda seconded.
No one was opposed. Motion Passed.

Scholarship Director – Mary Anne Kolb

There has been no change since the last meeting. No one has applied for this year. Mary Anne asked the Governors "please don't let that stop the clubs from contributing". The Governors were also reminded that it is up to them to encourage their members to apply.

Webmaster - Doug McMahan:

- The Regional website is up-to-date.
- Clubs were asked to provide contact information for any new governors so the email distribution can be updated for 2017.
- The 2017 Competition Database is ready to start entering club sanctions.
- The 2017 Competition Schedule for the Southwest Region has been posted online since September. The only change is that the Texas Outlaws no longer have Labor Day weekend. Tejas Vettes has taken that weekend.
- Governors were asked to remind their clubs about the NCCC “Members Only” page on the National website.

Regional Executive – Doc Lambert

-The National Meeting was held on September 9, 2016. The official RE notes from this meeting are posted on the Southwest Region’s website.

1. David Heinemann spoke on issues he feels need to be in place to move NCCC forward.
 - a. Amelia Workman accepting the distribution position .
 - b. The distribution responsibilities being placed under the VP of Membership.
 - c. Cutting expenses is one key to NCCC success.
 - Going to a 5-year membership card – with sticker for interim 4 years.
 - d. Keep the National Webmaster position but do not fill it right now.
2. R/E communications should go through the “.org” not “.com” (www.corvettesnccc.org)
3. 633 raffle tickets sold to date. 1080 needed to break even by raffle in November.
4. NCCC currently has 19,000+ members - recent growth has helped
5. Charity fund will be closed and National Kidney Foundation will receive their final check.
6. The IRS is auditing NCCC Charity Fund’s books. Betty Parks continues to work with the auditors.
 - a. NCCC as an organization is in the clear.
 - b. A cash reserve is held for future tax payments.
7. Omaha convention looks to be in the black.

- Newsletter contest had 18 entries with Nashville taking 1st place.

- 2017 Newsletter Contest rules will be posted by December.

- Upcoming Conventions:

1. 2017 in Bowling Green, KY is on schedule
2. 2018 proposal for New Orleans
3. 2019 uncertain – possible regions are Indiana and Rocky Mountains

- By-Law proposals were voted on to send to governors for their approval:

1. Add Convention Treasurer to Finance Committee
2. Add Director of IT and drop Webmaster from appointed officers
3. Eliminate one person per club on E-Board clause
4. Adding Convention Co-Chair position
5. Expand definition of Director of Charities
6. Expand time frame for conventions to be held
7. Establish R/E committee as filter for bylaws

- Look at Blue Bars’, printed version, suppliers and shipping as a cost-saving measure.

Regional Competition Director – Doug McMahan

-The “2016 Sanction/Events Snapshot as of August 9, 2016” report was distributed and reviewed. There were 7 sanctions not used due to the loss of the Sheriffs Track in OKC.

- Record drags in Noble, OK – six records were broken:

1. Robin Bradford set a new L2G record of 13.12
2. Tim Bradford set a new 2G record of 13.11
3. Christine Ganz lowered her own L2J record of 11.94
4. Mary Ann Kolb lowered her own L1K record of 12.23
5. Travis Lockhead lowered his own 3K record of 11.09
6. Paul Stewart set a new 1H record of 12.89

-2017 Rule Book Changes:

The redline version has been posted. The link was distributed to the Governors. Governors should review and discuss with their membership. Governors not planning on attending November’s National meeting should inform Doc of their club’s vote.

-There were a couple of bugs identified in the Competition Database – travel points being doubled if 2 sanctions on same date/ unlimited chair points. They have been addressed. Governors are encouraged to continue to use this database and report any bugs to Doug.

-High speed licenses and expiration dates are being maintained in the competition database, as well as permanent car numbers. Governors cannot update this information – only an RCD. This information will be automatically pulled into online registration—helpful to event coordinators.

-Axe Ware: Walt Jenkins will be the NCCC coordinator for Axe Ware. The thought is to report issues as an organization instead of by individual clubs.

-Due to recent events at Motorsports race in Bowling Green, RCDs have been asked to jack up and inspect all cars – especially at high speed events.

-The Corvette Museum has a sound restriction. A 95 decibel sound suppressor runs about \$25. One NCCC member has built his own. Doug will investigate this option and keep the Governors informed.

-The Grand Sport class debate: C6 Grand Sport will remain in class M. C7 Grand Sport will run with Z06 & Zr1 in class N. As more data is collected, this may be changed in the future.

Don’t forget Bowling Green in ‘17

Regional Membership Director –Craig Kamradt for Ron Ruston

-Governors are reminded to complete and enter all club renewals into the database by November 25, 2016 and have their check in the mail. Contact Ron with any problems entering members into the database. Craig strongly suggested Governors should complete this task earlier than the November 25th deadline.

-Amelia Workman will run unopposed as the VP of Membership for the term 2017-18.

-Proposal for 2018 Convention in New Orleans – joint effort. (This will be discussed later in this meeting.)

-Craig, RMD for the 2017-18 term, will not attend the last National Meeting of 2016. He has attended many National meetings and does not need the orientation.

OLD BUSINESS:

-SWR Bylaw Change – RE Duties Proxy Form:

Eliminate the following wording “...and is either notarized or witnessed by another member...” This change is requested since National no longer has this requirement. This action is requested as a clean-up of the SWR bylaws.

Bernyce made a motion to accept the change as submitted. Mike Sears seconded.

No one was opposed.

The motion passed.

Current wording:

REGIONAL EXECUTIVE – The R.E. will call and preside at all regional meetings. On business matters that have been printed in the minutes of the meeting and have laid on the table for one regional meeting, a non-attending club may vote by submitting a written vote to the R.E. Votes must be emailed at least one week before the regional meeting. The R.E. represents the region in the National Regional Executive meetings. The R.E. shall cast votes and present motions at any national meeting on behalf of any governor from their region who is not present. The R.E. shall have written consent which is signed by the governor *and is either notarized, or witnessed by another NCCC member* of the governor’s club for national meetings. In the absence or disability of both the R.E. and the R.C.D., the R.M.D. shall perform the duties of the R.E.

The bylaw will now read as follows:

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-RCD and RMD elections:

There were problems using the electronic ballot. Since the positions were unopposed, Doc decided to use email. The results are as follows:

-Doug McMahan will serve as RCD for the 2017-18 term.

-Craig Kamradt will serve as RMD for the 2017-18 term.

-Current Regional point standings (as of meeting – not final for 2016)

Club	Men	Women
1. OCCC	1. Alan Hill	1. Bernyce Molenda
2. CTV	2. Dean Lackey	2. Mary Ann Kolb
3. THT	3. Doc Lambert	3. Jeannie Ruston
4. TV	4. George Strake	4. Colleen Kamradt
5. CMCT	5. Craig Kamradt	5. Cathy Anthony

-2017 1st Choice Weekends/Governors Meetings:

Doc noted that there are still a number of first choice weekends with the location showing TBD. This is making it difficult to schedule next year’s Governors meetings. The first Governors meeting of 2017 will be held the Sunday morning after the Awards Banquet on Saturday. Doc has asked the Governors to voice any preference of meeting date/location.

-Proposal to bid on 2018 Convention:

Jerry Britner presented a proposal at the last National meeting. It has been put on the ballot unopposed. He thanked Doc Lambert and Sylvia Hoaldrige for their assistance putting the packets together that he presented at that meeting.

There has been continued communications with the desired “host hotel” and things are going well. Documents should be ready for signing by next month if everything is approved. Once space is determined and guaranteed, we will move forward.

A number of people have volunteered to help. It is still too early to begin assigning positions.

Room rate will be \$87 + tax/night for a room with 2 Queens/1 King with two-room suites with kitchen at a rate of \$119 + tax/night.

Food costs are high, as expected, and cannot even be negotiated until next year (2017).

Racing will include high and low speed events in New Orleans. Drag racing will be “in the swamps” - about one hours drive. Jerry said that regardless if people were competing or not, this will be “a destination vacation”.

Convention will be July 15-20, 2018. The hotel has offered to give attendees the same room rates for the 3 days preceding and following convention.

NEW BUSINESS:

-Southwest Region 2016 Competition Year Awards Banquet Proposal:

Glenda McMahan presented Cowtown Vettes bid to host said banquet. The location has not been decided. The proposed dates are Saturday, March 4th or 11th 2017. The club would like to showcase Fort Worth. Locations under consideration are downtown Fort Worth or the Stockyards. If necessary, we can always fall back on The Radisson – though construction is very bad there. There are no other proposals. Proposal was accepted.

-Appointed Officers for 2017:

The current appointed officers – treasurer, scholarship, webmaster and secretary – have all agreed to serve for one more year.

-Club Renewals

Paul Wolter asked that the Governors be reminded to have all renewals completed by November. Only two clubs (CMCT and SJCC) have complied todate. Doug reminded the Governors that the renewal fee is \$45 this year.

-Budget Review Committee:

The “Balanced Budget Approach” plan is not completed. Mike Sears asked if this could be tabled to the next meeting. There were no objections.

-Awards Banquet Budget/Southwest Region Budget for 2017

Doc stated that even though we tabled the “Balanced Budget Approach” we still needed to talk about the budget for the awards banquet. Doug has been pricing the shirts and jackets for this year’s awards. The thought is to go with a light weight jacket. Doug said he is getting a good price on the awards and embroidery and that the price should be lower this year than last year.

Doc stated that SWR has to have a budget. That we cannot spend more than we are bringing in. Glenda McMahan spoke saying that our region needed to start looking for cheaper venues. Other regions are

having the same drop in attendance but are suffering less financially because they are not spending a lot of money on venues. She also said that the Governors need to take the task of promoting racing within their clubs.

This spurred a lot of conversation: Nelda Mitchell made a point that the clubs need to re-implement the Friday night socials. How, when many of us started racing, that was as much of the attraction as the racing. Dean Lackey agreed with Glenda that our region charges more than the other regions for competition events. He said that Mineral Wells charges NCCC less than other clubs to use it as a venue and, when it is swept, it is a decent track. Dean said that regarding the social held for their event – drinks and snacks – the total cost was \$110.00. This money was provided by five of their members donating \$20 each to have the social.

Doc asked if there was further discussion. No one came forward.

-Pink Drag Racing Shirts

Bernyce turned the floor over to her club member, Mary Ann Kolb, to speak on this topic. She mentioned how the region gives awards to competitors who win autocrosses and drags but we do not give awards to the competitors that break/set drag records. Oklahoma City Corvette Club started awarding their drag race record setters with a pink t-shirt around 2008. Mary Ann received one of these t-shirts from OCCC when she set her own record. She talked about how much fun she and the other record holders enjoyed them – wearing them when competing at other drag events. Mary Ann said that OCCC stopped this practice and she would like the region to pick it up. Doug will check with Johnny Gann on the price per shirt and bring that information plus implementation suggestions to the Governors at the next meeting.

-Proxies

Starting in January, each governor must provide the RE 5 copies of proxies in accordance with the by-laws.

-Glenda McMahan extended a welcome to Fred Bakenhus as the new governor for CMCT.

A motion was made to adjourn at 8:25 PM by Glenda and seconded by Bernyce. The SW Regional Governors meeting was adjourned.

The next SWR Governors meeting will be held at TBD on TBD.

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Anthony
NCCC Southwest Region Secretary