

LSRPCA Board Meeting February 7, 2018

The Houstonian Club, Houston, TX

In Attendance:

Steve Bukoski, President

Doug Carroll, Treasurer

Kathy Kendall, Secretary

Mike Globe, Past President

Jim Hedderick, AutoCross Chair

Alan Kendall, Car Control School Chair

Ray Pagan, DE Registrar

Pam Fitzgerald, Social Chair

Nicole Goldman, Store Chair

Edwin Goldman, Tour Chair

Hector Martinez, Membership Chair

Tom Sanders, Safety Chair

Greg Platt, Club Race Chair

Doug Atkinson, Communications

Tom Giertz, Get togethers

Lynn Friedman

Tim Strehl

For voting purposes, the following proxies were given:

Michael Stein gave his proxy to Doug Carroll

Greg Fuller and Tom Roy gave their proxies to Steve Bukoski

Steve Bukoski called the meeting to order at 6:29pm

The first order of business was to approve the January 2018 Board Meeting minutes. Alan Kendall made the motion to approve the minutes. Edwin Goldman seconded the motion. There was no discussion. Voting was all ayes with no abstentions.

The next order of business was the round table reports from the Chairs present.

Greg Platt and Tim Strehl reported on Club Race updates. The Carrera of the America event will be held on March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. At the current time there are 123 racers, 100 DE participants and 15 volunteers registered for the event (which is at capacity). The event was budgeted to show a profit. Tim reported that there were a few amenities added to the event, such as a tire service as well as several vendors who will have parts and other items available for sale. Also, when there is a DE event at COTA, the wall outside the garages will be removed allowing cars to enter and exit the garages from either side with no difficulty. It will also be required that all cars have numbers listed on the rear of the car.

Kathy Kendall reported that there were only three Club events in February requiring PCA National insurance. Car Control School, AutoCross and one Tour had applications for insurance sent in.

Tom Sanders reported on updates to the harness and helmet regulations. National "highly recommends" that anyone using more than a 3-point harness should be using a HANS when participating in a DE. Tom will work on a recommendation for our region which will then be communicated to the membership.

Jim Hedderick reported that the next AutoCross will be held on Sunday February 11<sup>th</sup> at the Houston Police Academy. There are still openings available.

Edwin Goldman reported that the next tour will be on February 17. It will be a drive to the Sam Houston National Park. There are 26 participants registered so far. The next event will be the Bluebonnet tour which will be split into two weekends due to its great popularity. It will be held April 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. There will also be a trip to the Unity Theatre in Brenham on April 21<sup>st</sup>.

Nicole Goldman reported that she is working with approved vendors to order merchandise for the store.

Ray Pagan reported that the last DE event at MSRH was a success. There were 162 participants (110 students and 52 instructors). The next DE is with the Club Race at COTA on March 2-4. The DE following that will be at MSRH on April 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>.

Doug Carroll reported that he created a spread sheet of the Club's revenue and expenditures for 2017. Steve Bukoski discussed the fact that he has asked Doug to only accept expense reports from the Chairs.

Hector Martinez reported that he, Steve Bukoski and Ron Martin met recently to discuss growth opportunities concerning membership. Hector is moving forward with calling members who have dropped their membership. He questioned them about the reasons they have let their membership and what if anything we as a Club could do to retain their membership. It was suggested that new members need to be welcomed and informed of Club activities. Hector has called all new members personally this month.

Steve Bukoski reported that he and Lori Mauer recently delivered a \$5,000 check to our charity, the Houston Police Department. This was the proceeds from our recent large Charity event held at Alara Garage.

Tom Giertz reported that there have been great turnouts to the various get togethers held on Saturday mornings.

Alan Kendall reported that there are currently 23 students, 5 volunteers and 10 instructors registered for the next Car Control School. The event will be on February 10<sup>th</sup> at the Houston Police Academy.

Lynn Friedman reported that joining PCA should be brought up at all events held by the Club. She also requested, as acting Club Historian, that she be made aware of all decisions made by the Club.

Doug Atkinson had nothing to report

Mike Globe had nothing to report

Pam Fitzgerald had nothing to report.

Steve Bukoski presented the various 2018 budgets:

Club Race, DE, Car Control School, AutoCross, Concours, Tours, Boxtoberfest, Charity, Social Dinners, Membership, Club Store, Communication, Overhead Expenses and the Lone Star Magazine were presented.

Steve led a discussion concerning the budget for the Lone Star Magazine. In 2016 there were three Lone Star Magazines published. In 2017 there was only one published. The magazine costs approximately \$9,000 per issue to produce. If the magazine was published four times a year, the cost would be approximately \$36,000. Advertisers have historically not paid for their ads. There is not a process in place to invoice for these ads. Mike Phifer will no longer be available to publish the magazine. Steve suggested that there needs to be further discussion concerning the Lone Star Magazine. Steve made a motion that the 2018 budget be accepted excluding the Lone Star Magazine (which amounts to \$321,059). Tom Sanders seconded the motion. The discussion revolved around having a more detailed discussion concerning the Lone Star Magazine at the next Board Meeting. Voting was all ayes with no abstentions.

Alan Kendall made the motion to adjourn at 7:50pm. Greg Platt seconded the motion.