

LSRPCA Board Meeting Minutes March 1, 2017

The Houstonian Club, Houston, TX

In Attendance:

Steve Bukoski, President

Michael Stein, Vice President

Ron Martin, Member At Large

Mike Globe, Past President

Patricia Liles, Store Chair

Alan Kendall, Car Control School Chair

Thomas Roy, Concours Chair

Ron Baklarz, Rally / Tour Chair

Pam Fitzgerald, Social Chair

Hartley Clay, Safety Chair

For voting purposes, the following Proxies were given:

Ryan Lansford, Ramez Botros, Hector Martinez and Kathy Kendall gave proxies to Steve Bukoski

Greg Platt gave proxy to Mike Globe

Steve Bukoski called the meeting to order at 6:30.

The first order of business was to approve the February Board Meeting minutes. Mike Globe had a question concerning the reason for a new voting system for future elections. Steve Bukoski explained the nominating committee would look at the outside vendors suggested to the board for a fool proof voting system and

would determine which one would be the best. No further discussion was held concerning the previous months minutes. Patty Liles made a motion to approve the minutes, Ron Baklarz seconded the motion. Minutes were approved, all ayes with no abstentions.

Steve Bukoski gave a brief summary of the funds for the COTA DE with instructors (May and November 2017). It will be a multi-region event, Lone Star, Hill Country, Maverick PCA regions and 2 BMW regions (Houston and Dallas). The track rental fee for the event is approximately \$161,000 which will be split five ways. Our portion will be \$33,000. We expect a net gain of approximately \$10,000. Michael Stein made a motion to approve one DE for \$33,000, Hartley Clay seconded. Discussion was held concerning who running the event. It will be a PCA event with Hill Country region being responsible for obtaining the insurance for the event. The majority of the votes were ayes, with Mike Globe abstaining. Mike had concerns about partnering with the BMW Clubs ie instructor qualifications and cost for our members to drive COTA. The dates for our May and November events were BMW events and this year will be a pilot to see how well this partnership may work.

The next order of business was the Chair Reports:

Hartley Clay reported that new safety regulations as of 1/2018 state that everyone who has a harness in their car must use a HANS device. The DE Chair will investigate the purchase of helmets and HANS devices for the Club to have for students to wear if driving with an instructor with a harness. The communication to members concerning this change will go out soon. Hartley also reported that he will not be attending the April, May and June Board Meetings and will give his proxy to Steve Bukoski.

Ron Martin has no updates

Alan Kendall reported that there are 46 current registrants for the next Car Control School (April 22, 2017).

Mike Globe reported that he attended the National Board of Directors Meeting in Los Angeles. National discussed the aforementioned HANS requirement with

harnesses change. He also reported that the Director of the insurance company that PCA uses for DE events said that DE incidents are not on the rise. Safety issues are of the utmost importance and rules concerning safety at DE events are being followed.

Pam Fitzgerald reported that the recent social dinner at Fung's Kitchen was a success. There were 45 attendees. Next social will either be March 25th or April 1st. Locations to be considered will be on the North side of town.

Mike Globe reported for Lori Mauer. A fundraiser will be held at Alara Garage sometime in the near future. An event at Fielding's (scotch tasting) will be posted soon.

Ron Baklarz reported that the 8th Annual Bluebonnet Tour will be held April 1, 2017. The event is listed in Club Registration.

Thomas Roy reported that the first Concours of the year was held last week. 49 competitors, 15 display vehicles and many observers attended. The event was very successful, with lots of new people attending. Porsche West Houston will sponsor another Concours late May or early June. Two other events are in the planning stages: one in September at Green Street and one in October at King's Beer Garden in the Heights. Tom has streamlined the process for the Concours events to make it very enjoyable for everyone.

Michael Stein reported that work is in progress to better promote Car Control School.

Steve Bukoski reported for Ryan Lansford. There was an AutoCross event at the College Station runway recently. There will be another event at TWS April 1st. There was a National E Blast put out for that event and registration is on the rise.

Steve Bukoski also reported that Lynn Friedman (as a Houstonian Club member) has paid for the Board Meeting room for the last five years. It is recommended that this not be a personal expense but a Club expense. Future discussion needs to center around where to have future meetings if there is to be a change.

Steve Bukoski stated that the Club needs an “Administrative Budget” to manage Club needs (such as a meeting room). Steve will make a proposal at an upcoming meeting as to what that budget will entail.

Steve attended the Zone 5 President’s meeting recently in Dallas. The need for more communication between smaller and larger regions is evident. The RPM (Regions Procedure Manual) is published on our website. Each event type is listed and should be read by all the Chairs for guidelines. Risk management is an important section that involves all event types. New guidelines for Tours will be forthcoming.

Steve stated that we need to have a Digital Media Policy in place concerning what can and cannot be posted on the LSR web page. PCA has adopted a Media policy and Steve will investigate what it involves and report back to the Board. Moving forward, we should go to events, talk to people and ask what they like—what they want. Ask for suggestions!

Mike Globe made a motion to adjourn at 7:35. Ron Baklarz seconded.