

LONE STAR REGION, PORSCHE CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.

**MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

September 4, 2024

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Lone Star Region, Porsche Club of America, Inc. (the “Club”) was held on September 4, 2023 at Alara Garage, 1440 Greengrass Drive, Houston, Texas 77008. The meeting was called to order by the President, Hector Martinez, at 6:30 p.m.

The President expressed the Club’s appreciation to Mr. Brad Barber for the use of the Garage’s facilities for the meeting.

The following were present:

In Person	Via Teams	By Proxy
Hector Martinez		Zerin Dube to David Baxter
Stan Tripp		Shane Dosser to Hector Martinez
Walt Doyle		Pat Schiele to Stan Tripp
Eugene Chen		
David Baxter		
Ramez Botros		
Vik Day		
Danny Green		
Maneesh Kumar		
Jake McConnell		
Derek Robins		
Pat Schiele		
Howard Lasster		
Zoli Palmai		

A quorum was established.

The Minutes of August 7, 2024, upon motion by Mr. Tripp, seconded by Mr. Doyle were unanimously approved.

The President stated that a mechanic at Einer’s Garage who many of the members know was dealing with cancer and, unfortunately, does not have insurance. He asked if the Club could support fund raising efforts. He suggested that we have a Garage Sale at Einer’s, donate the fees to the cause and ask the vendors to also donate. He suggested that we could also have a silent auction and a 50/50 raffle. He suggested that the event occur on October 19. Mr. Tripp suggested that he could look into a GoFundMe account. The Board approved the suggested activities.

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The President announced that we had a location (“The Shop) for a holiday party on December 14.

Mr. Palmi noted that the Club’s website had a variety of issues and needed attention for server location, reliability and updates. He suggested that we need to move the website to a more professionally hosted vendor. He stated that preliminary information was that the new server location would have a cost of about \$1000 for five years. The Board asked Mr. Palmi to obtain two or three quotes and bring them back to the Board for approval.

Dr. Kumar noted that he had distributed the Stanford PACs Guide for consideration and discussion. Mr. Baxter suggested that the Club develop its own questionnaire. Dr. Kumar agreed to prepare a form for Club usage.

Mr. Lasster advised the Board that Child Advocates / MSR had 76 cars registered and expected some more for the Drive for Kids on September 28. The Board discussed the need for PCA insurance and decided, out of an abundance of caution, that insurance would be appropriate and that the Club would pay the fee (\$450) to PCA out of its funds.

Mr. Lasster had provided significant information which had been distributed to the Board prior to the meeting regarding the activities and finances of Child Advocates.

Upon motion by Dr. Kumar, seconded by Mr. Baxter, the Board determined that Child Advocates had provided sufficient information and was a good candidate for a charitable contribution from the Club. Mr. Lasster left the meeting.

The Board discussed whether it would be appropriate for LSRPCA to donate funds and determined that since the Club was losing money this year it would not be appropriate. The Board authorized the President and Dr. Kumar to seek charity funds from PCA to donate to Child Advocates.

The President reviewed the Action Items from the meeting of August 7, 2024:

25	8-9-2022	Seek PCA Policy Committee Approval of Bylaws	Baxter
52.	12-5-2023	Provide candidate for Safety Chair	Martinez / Lyons
62.	8-7-2024	Provide candidate for Touring Chair	Martinez / Tripp / Galloway
63.	8-7-2024	Review the Charity Vetting Process	Board
64.	8-7-2024	Establish payment methods for Goodie Store	Tripp / Chen / Schiele

25. Mr. Baxter advised that he had heard nothing from the National Policy Committee despite making several inquiries. The President said he would contact National and see if there was any way to move the proposed Bylaws forward.

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52. The President stated that he was working with Mr. Lyons to develop a candidate.

62. Mr. Tripp stated that he would reach out to Mr. Galloway for assistance.

63. Closed

64. Mr. Chen stated that he would work with Chase Bank to obtain two credit card readers and would distribute them to Messrs. Green (GTG) and Dosser (Autocross).

Mr. Chen provided the Treasurer's report as of August 31, 2024. He stated that the Club had \$35,370.31 in its Comerica checking account, \$28,000.00 in its Chase checking account, \$299,764.95 in its Capital One savings account, \$16,988.38 in its Club Reg account, and \$1201.52 in undeposited funds for a total of \$381,325.16. He noted that the Club had lost approximately \$15,000 this year.

Mr. Baxter advised the Board that he and Mr. Tripp had developed a set of Guidelines that includes requirements from the Bylaws and good practices from members of previous Nominating Committees. The Board reviewed and approved the Guidelines. He noted that they would be slightly revised and distributed to members of the Nominating Committee.

Mr. Tripp provided the Member-at Large report. He noted that the Club was trying to obtain the sponsor fee from Garages of Texas and that all other sponsors had submitted their fees.

Mr. McConnell reported that Membership had reached 2000 members.

Mr. Green reported on GTG activities. He stated that a lot of new members were attending the GTGs and they continued to be popular. He noted that he was using the YouTube Channel (and other social media) to publish information about the events.

Mr. Robins reported on Concours activities. He stated that the next Concours event would be November 9 at King's Bierhaus. He noted that he was planning a tentative Concours clinic at Garages of Texas.

Mr. Tripp reminded the Board that a Car Control School is scheduled for October 12 at Houston Police Academy. Mr. Tripp stated that the School needed some more instructors. Mr. Botros stated that he could help and would provide some names.

Mr. Botros provided a report on DE activities. He stated that the next event would be October 5 and 6, 2024 and the next would be December 7 and 8. He stated that he was expecting around 100

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participants for each event. He stated that events were tentatively scheduled in 2025 for January 11 and 2, April 5 and 6, October 4 and 5, and December 6 and 7.

Mr. Day reported on the status of the magazine. He stated that the issue has gone to press and should be out this week. He noted that he has begun work on the next issue.

The President stated that a social dinner is being planned for September 21 at Rafas in Kingwood. He stated that another social dinner is being planned on October 19 at Spectators in Sugar Land.

Mr. Tripp reported on Goodie Store activities. He stated that National was still working on the national site. He also stated that Mr. Schiele had acquired about 100 shirts. After discussion, the Board decided that a pricing of \$45 would be appropriate.

New Business

The President stated that it was time to appoint a Nominating Committee for Officers for 2025. The following volunteered or were volunteered: Jake McConnell, Zerine Dube, and Pat Schiele.

There was no other new business to discuss.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Hector Martinez
Hector Martinez, President

Respectfully submitted,

David K. Baxter
David Baxter, Secretary

ACTION ITEMS FROM THE SEPTEMBER 4, 2024 MEETING:

25	8-9-2022	Seek PCA Policy Committee Approval of Bylaws; Contact National for guidance	Baxter / Martinez
52.	12-5-2023	Provide candidate for Safety Chair	Martinez / Lyons
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64.	8-7-2024	Establish payment methods for Goodie Store	Tripp / Chen / Schiele
66.	9-4-2024	Establish GoFundMe account for Einer's mechanic	Tripp

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67.	9-4-2024	Prepare Charitable Request Questionnaire for Club	Kumar
68.	9-4-2024	Prepare request for contribution to Drive for Kids from National PCA	Kumar
69.	9-4-2024	Distribute Nominating Committee Guidelines to Nominating Committee	Baxter
70.	9-4-2024	Provide a slate of candidates for Officers for 2025	McConnell, Dube, Schiele
71.	9-4-2024	Obtain and present proposals for hosting of website server	Palmai