**Minutes**

**SFR Board of Directors**

**June 19, 2023**

Tim called the meeting to order at 5:30. Members in attendance were Tim Sullivan, Bill Booth, John Macintyre, Joe Montana, Peter Phung, Blake Tatum and Linda Rogaski.

**Minutes** – Approved previously by email

**Financials**

Bill and Tim reported that our checking account has been hacked. A re-produced check (improper logo, etc.), had been submitted for $52,000.50. At a similar time a transfer request was made to move $10,000. The bank has credited back the $52,000.50 and will credit back the transfer request. The fraud division of the bank is working on the issue. Bill reminded everyone to guard passwords, don’t use more than once, don’t keep written copies of passwords. The account has been closed, the old checks destroyed and new checks ordered.

Bill reported that we are continuing to follow a losing pattern for each event. We are currently in the red over $340,000.

**Regional 9 & 10**

Tim reported Laguna will be ready to go for the event. They are in the process of painting the stripes, putting in timing loops, etc. An official inspection does not have to be done, per National staff, as the track configuration has not changed. Local stewards will review before the event to make sure the track work is completed.

Friday night there will be a volunteer dinner – pizza, it’s very reasonable in cost, and so far no complaints. Saturday night there will be a barbeque – hamburgers, hot dogs and chips.

Tim, John and Blake will move equipment as needed.

**Pro Events Meals**

We have a volunteer who do the barbequing at no charge as long as the food is provided. He will start at the end of July regional event. We will continue with pizza and KFC type dinners for some of the nights.

**Specialty Jacket Policy**

After board discussion it was agreed the board would purchase a specialty crew jacket for a new volunteer who works four (4) events. A replacement jacket may be given to a volunteer who volunteers for four (4) events each for five (5) years. The jacket will display the SFR logo, volunteer’s name and specialty crew. Joe will work with Access Uniforms to identify a jacket that comes in a multitude of colors. Orders **for all merchandise (SWAG) must** beplaced via the office. Volunteers should not be go directly to the vendor.

**Recruitment and Retention**

Mark Mizzola will head a team of workers and drivers to come up with a campaign to recruit and retain workers. John MacIntyre will be the Board liaison to the team. The Board hopes that upon completion of a recruitment plan for workers the team will move on to a developing a recruitment plan for drivers.

The board also discussed the advantages of outreach to local community college auto shops, EMT and Fire Science classes to recruit new volunteers. Many fire science students need/want OJT training. We can offer that opportunity.

**2024 Schedule**

The Board agreed to conduct two (2) regional events at Sonoma, a driver’s school and three (3) regional events at Thunderhill with the Super Tour and two (2) regionals to be held at Laguna.  This will be one less regional than 2023.

 The Board agreed it was beneficial to the club to host another Super Tour, with the caveat that if we don’t at least break even we won’t do it again. John will reach out to Oregon Region and CalClub to see if the three (3) West Coast regions, working together, can get some concessions from National to include SMX cars and possibly some regional classes to make the events profitable for the Regions. The 2024 Runoffs will be at Road America which should be a bigger draw for west coast drivers than VIR.

The Board also agreed at the February regional event at Sonoma we would conduct an HPDE on the Friday before the event. Peter said he is getting a lot of requests for the Region to host an HPDE. We will include a practice session on the regional event schedule, and a session during the HPDE for race cars.

**Old Business**

**Crossflow Cup**

Everyone agreed they were a great addition to the last regional event. Blake will reach out to the Crossflow coordinators to see if they will come back for the end of the year event.

**SAE**

Blake will reach out to Lynne to make sure Rhina has the information needed to provide the agreed upon donation to their program.

**Awards Banquet**

The Awards Banquet will be held in the clubhouse Saturday night of the October event. Worker awards will be distributed. Those driver awards that will not be contested by results of the Sunday event will also be handed out. Upon the conclusion of the Sunday races, the contested awards will be handed out.

**New Business**

**2024 Trophies**

Linda will work on getting a sponsor for 2024 driver trophies. We have saved money by not ordering as many trophies, but many drivers have missed out on receiving their first trophy.

**In-person Meeting**

The Board hopes to hold the August meeting in person.

The next meeting will be Wednesday July 19, at 5:30.