



**Minutes**  
**SFR Board of Directors**  
**April 15, 2020**

Tim called the meeting to order at 11:05 AM. Members in attendance were Tim Sullivan, RJ Gordy, Seth Reid, Ben French, Blake Tatum, Bill Booth, Linda Rogaski and guest David Vodden.

**National Communication**

Tim reported he participates on a bi-weekly phone call with national staff and other RE's from Jumbo Regions.

Highlights of the last call:

- The shelter in place orders are negatively affecting road racing financially more than some of the other racing venues e.g., solo.
- New York regions are trying to get discounts from their local tracks.
- Virginia and DC Regions will not resume racing until June.
- Some Regions are considering cancelling their season.

Tim has a call into Laguna do determine their status. He has not had a call back.

**Office**

Trish is going into the office a couple times of week to pick up mail. She is answering phones and emails from home.

**Thunderhill Report**

David shared that Willows restaurants are closed with some providing take-out, but not all. He will check into the status of the motels. Thunderhill staff are carrying letters saying they are essential to the security of the track, there have been no layoffs.

He is hoping Thunderhill will be able to open in May for rentals of no more than 10 cars per day. There will be no corner workers, food, or access to the clubhouse available.

David stated they have applied for a Small Business Grant. It has been received, and will hopefully be funded.

## **Racing Procedures**

The Board discussed the upcoming race schedule. The next scheduled race is May 23-34 at Thunderhill. To conduct the race we must ensure that:

- Ambulances are available
- There will be sufficient PPE for all in attendance (maybe some of our members could make fabric masks for use at the tracks!)
- Any food provided will have to meet the shelter in place requirements.

*The Board will make the yes/no decision no later than April 30<sup>th</sup>.*

*Blake will work on official SFR protocols once there are official government guidelines regarding opening up segments of the economy. The protocols will be shared with all participants. National has incorporated some of the guidelines we used at our March event into their official guidelines for conducting a race.*

## **Liaisons**

Tim requested all members reach out to their liaisons to make sure all is well with that crew. Discussion followed regarding the ability to provide required staffing for both regional and Pro events.

## **Wheel**

The Board discussed the advantages/disadvantages of printing the Wheel during the economic shutdown due to the virus. After much discussion it was decided it is in the best interest of the Region to continue to print and mail the Wheel. It is a valuable tool for member communication and new member recruitment.

Blake is looking for "how-to" articles for the Wheel. If you are interested in writing an article on track set-up for your car make, solo site development, etc., please let Blake know.

## **IRacing**

*Ben and Seth will work to develop an IRacing League for use by SCCA members. The goal of the project is to engage current racing participants, build better lines of communication between the different racing venues in the Region and hopefully, recruit new members. Linda motioned and Blake seconded that \$500 be allocated to the development of a pilot IRacing League open to all SCCA members, Seth and Ben will be the coordinators of the pilot. The motion passed unanimously.*

**Finances**

Blythe Bonds is retiring. The Board is looking to replace her with someone who has an accounting background who is familiar with the on-line version of Quick Books, who can build charts/graphs of data points as needed. They will be responsible for monthly reports. Trish will be responsible for the daily entry of expenses. *The goal is to get someone on board as soon as possible.*

Tim adjourned the meeting at 12:55

The next meeting is scheduled as a conference call for Wednesday, May 20, at 11:00.