

Minutes
San Francisco Region
Board of Directors
June 23, 2021

Tim called the meeting to order at 11:03. The members in attendance were; Tim Sullivan, Blake Tatum, RJ Gordy, Bill Booth and Linda Rogaski.

Financials

Bill reported that we will be contracting with a new interim bookkeeper starting next week. The interim bookkeeper will continue until the Buzarellos accounting firm hires a long-term bookkeeper to handle the Region's accounting. The goal is to have the bookkeeper and the accountants in the same firm for better communication.

The interim bookkeeper will be finish the 2020 accounts, establish a chart of accounts and provide management support.

Tech Day

Although the number of participants did not meet our hopes, only four people of the 13 who had signed up participated. But they were very enthusiastic and the hope is one or two will come back and volunteer.

Regional 9 & 10

- There were multiple issues in timing. However, when Ben was able to participate in timing it ran much smoother.
- Comments were made that the e-crew was back to their old selves and was a smooth operating crew.
- Sound did not follow the current Supplemental Regulations regarding the sound level requirements at Sonoma. This will be corrected.

Regional 11 & 12

- Formula Car Challenge will not be running at this event.
- Blake recommended when the Challenge, World Speed or the FX cars are not running with us we combine groups 1 and 2. Everyone agreed.
- Registration, lunches and social will be in Garages 21-24
- The Porsche Group will be running with us. We will give them their own run group they are anticipating they will have 15-20 cars.

Pre-Reunion and Reunion

- Bill Skibbe has committed to come to the Reunion to chief Timing. We are still looking for someone to chief Timing for the Pre-Reunion.
- Workers will get one guest pass per the contract with the track for each event.
- Registration and Social will be at T-11.

Year-To-Date Points

Tim stated Trish has points ready for posting. Tim will ask Seth to get them posted asap.

Website/Social Media

Josh Lanners and Bruce Richardson have been posting videos from the events. However, last event Josh dispatched and was not able to film.

We are still in need of a web master to be responsible for the building and maintenance of the page and web content update. Bill has a contact in the field he will reach out to them and see what they would estimate the time it would take to update and maintain the webpage. Bill and Blake will have off-line conversation on what changes are needed.

Property Board Sub-Committee Report

- There is a new General Manager at Thunderhill. He is taking Shannon's job. Previously he was the manager at the Madera dirt track.
- Geoff Pitts has resigned due to family reasons, Schuyler has been promoted.
- Terry Taylor is retiring the end of 2021.

Blake suggested we ask the Thunderhill Board about the feasibility of receiving a "franchise tax" on all track rentals. This money could be used for paying the workers, ensuring we could continue our road racing programs. The Region is not receiving any larger dividend today than 20 plus years ago. Tim will talk to Jeff Lederman.

The question was raised is there a master plan for anticipated improvements at Thunderhill?

Trophies

Linda will assume responsibility for ordering trophies timely.
We need to keep the cost of trophies under \$3000 an event.

Old Business

Blake reported that **SAE**, San Jose State, wants to participate at the next race. He suggests we keep the same financial arrangement. Blake will verify how many will attend.

Bill reported on the **I-Racing League**. It was a learning experience, with a few hiccups to start. We will continue to offer participation in an I-Racing League but we will:

- Establish a feeder league for rookies.
- Develop better instructions and FAQs.
- Better promotion

Bill feels it is very worthwhile to offer this racing opportunity to our members.

75th Anniversary

RJ has asked the designer of the Bridge logo and the 50 plus 5 logo, to design an 75th Anniversary logo for the Region. The anniversary celebration will be kicked-off at the 2022 annual banquet culminating in a party sometime in mid to late 2023. The Board would like to see all previous Hall of Fame awardees be invited to the 2023 celebration.

Tim will send out an email asking for nominees for the 2021 Hall of Fame. Because of COVID we did not have a 2020 Hall of Fame class.

New Business

Survey

Blake will send a text survey to drivers including questions on the racing season, trophies, etc.

WTLS

Laguna is no longer using Advanced Fire as their e-crew for the smaller PRO events. They have asked the Region to provide the services needed. Tim has arranged with Joe to provide the staffing and equipment required. The Region will cover the cost of expenses for the crew.

Laguna has added a Classic Car Race in November. Crews needed are:

- Flagging and communications
- E-crew
- Grid

Tim will find out more details e.g. will they be staffing to FIA requirements, etc.

The INDY race will require a boom extension for the e-crew truck. RJ says the Region owns two booms. Tim will talk to Jeff Olinger to see where they are being stored.

The Board agreed we need a better tracking system for Region equipment and who is responsible for storage of the equipment.

Drivers School

Tim will talk to Jeff Lederman to see if he will take over the Driver School Coordinator position from Kevin Rogers. Kevin will gladly share his planning information.

Tim adjourned the meeting at 2:15

The next meeting will be Wednesday, July 21st.