



# Meeting Minutes

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*San Francisco Region SCCA Board of Directors*

*Date: May 15, 2019*

*Location: Vic's All-Star Kitchen  
201 Main St A, Pleasanton, CA 94566*

## Attendees:

### Directors:

Barbara McClellan	Regional Executive
Tim Sullivan	Director; Assistant R/E, Treasurer, Competition Director
Blake Tatum	Director; Secretary ( <i>absent</i> )
R.J. Gordy	Director
David Vodden	Director
Roger Eagleton	Director
Seth Reid	Director ( <i>absent</i> )

### Guests:

Jeff Olinger	E Crew Chief
Sherry Grantz	Business Manager (Outgoing)
Youmna Zalzal	Business Manager (Incoming)

Meeting called to order at Vic's All-Star Kitchen, 201 Main St A, Pleasanton, CA 94566, at 11:06 AM.

## 1. Treasurer's Report

- YTD: \$84,254
- Preliminary numbers are in for the May 11-12 races; no final numbers yet. Estimated profit of \$20,073.
- Bank accounts to be consolidated. Timing of consolidation in question.
  - CD to be transferred upon maturity.
  - Second Bank of Commerce account to be transferred to Edward Jones.

## 2. Old Business

- Liaison Reports
  - Tim:
    - (1) Paddock Marshall items are back at Thunderhill, in and under the Course Marshall trailer
      - (a) 200# of chalk; 50 10# bags of dirt. Thank you, Bill Blake and Paul Gilbert, for your help.
    - (2) Tech did well in Allan's absence.
    - (3) T&S, Race Admin Computer Upgrades:
      - (a) Number to purchase? How many are needed vs. how many are desired?
        - (i) Are tablets more reasonable for mobile roles (Grid, Tech)?
        - (ii) Network access needed for all users/devices.
      - (b) Orbitz upgrade per Bill Dwyers quote approved.
      - (c) David motioned to purchase 3 laptops and 2 tablets (latter to go to Tech and Grid); RJ seconded. Approved unanimously.

- (4) Office computer replacements (2)
  - (a) Desktops were last bought in 2007.
  - (b) Whole network might need to be looked at: network goes down when it rains, when it's very hot.
  - (c) Jeff suggested bringing in an expert to assess the entire system and
  - (d) David motioned to provide \$2,500 to seek an expert opinion and to purchase two (2) new office desktops. Barbara seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- (5) Office phones/answering
  - (a) Office phones to be forwarded to SFR SCCA cell phone for full coverage during PTO of office staff.
- David:
  - (1) Concours d'Elegance season schedule set. Will be released in The Wheel.
  - (2) Sound booth floor replaced; Chief is happy.
  - (3) Bruce Brunner indicated they have a new candidate for the Hall of Fame.
  - (4) Trophies
    - (a) Saturday trophies had a date error, found to be caused by the engravers.
    - (b) January Majors trophies: request Nan contact Joe Carr to get his trophy to him.
- RJ:
  - (1) Front end of one of the Rescue trucks was rebuilt. Trucks are getting old.
  - (2) Course Marshall's truck was taken in for service recently.
  - (3) Pump on one of the rescue trucks needed an overhaul because it wasn't working.
  - (4) Jeff: Pumps for the fire apparatus will need to be replaced some time in the future.
    - (a) Pumps are currently working well.
    - (b) Fuel that we get breaks down the foam lining of the tank in the Rescue 2 truck. Fuel cell can be replaced; will save money vs. replacing the pump!
    - (c) Boxes should be replaced, as they've been moved from truck to truck over the years.
  - (5) Thunderhill would like to purchase our old tow trucks when SCCA decides to sell them.
- Barbara: No Liaison report.
- Roger: No Liaison report.

### 3. Chiefs' Council

- Membership:
  - New members need to pay \$95 for SCCA membership; can we reduce that price?
    - (1) Suggestion is to waive membership and to prevent new volunteers from earning points for the first three events worked.
    - (2) Reminder that weekend memberships cost \$15 and that new volunteers can apply two weekend memberships as coupons toward their annual membership.
    - (3) Tim motions to waive membership costs for new workers. RJ seconds. Discussion:
      - (a) How do we know who is a worker?
        - (i) License is granted. Role must be defined upon joining.
        - (ii) Chief must manage expectations of the new worker vis. VIP points.
        - (iii) Chief should delay reporting new worker to Points Manager until after three events have been worked.
      - (b) Amendment: No VIP points will be earned for the first three events worked.
      - (c) Motion passed. 4 yea (Tim, Roger, Barbara, RJ); 1 nay (David)
- Laguna Seca insurance:
  - Does the sanctioning body for the Pro events cover SCCA?
  - We must have our own insurance certificate.
    - (1) Trans Am is the exception.
  - Claire and Linda wanted to confirm that we were covered. We are.

- Sonoma:
  - Who is sanctioning the July test day? Thunderhill or SCCA?
    - (1) Depends on whether or not this is an SCCA day.
    - (2) Preference is to use SCCA's insurance. Do not want SCCA sanctioning because of tighter rules associated with a test day.
    - (3) Suggestion is to buy insurance through K&K.
    - (4) Decision: This will not be a sanctioned SCCA test day, just a "Test Day"
  - Discussion not to use Sonoma's Social route, as they're very expensive. Perhaps pay a flat fee and do our own Social.
  - Can we get into the track on the 4th to set up ahead of the event? Will need to work with/around the drag race being held on that date.
- We might have something to learn from NASA's procedures. Research should be done to see how we could improve our own.

#### 4. Race Reports

- Ferrari Challenge (Laguna Seca)
  - It was unique in that we split our resources between this and the Thunderhill regional.
    - (1) Don't ever schedule a race on Mother's Day.
    - (2) Don't ever schedule two races at separate locations: splitting personnel benefits no one.
  - Some issues:
    - (1) Laguna's corner workers had a few glitches. To be discussed with Laguna Seca staff.
    - (2) Race Control in the T&S building, run with a very bare bones crew.
- Regional 5 & 6 (Thunderhill)
  - Complaints: "Please never split the worker crew again."
  - Drivers seemed pretty happy.
  - Most crew members, too, other than the aforementioned issues with splitting the crew.
  - Worker of the Weekend: Workers who helped set up the corners.
  - Driver of the Weekend: None
  - Thill got positive reports regarding use of Thill staff.
  - Injury to Cort Cardinal at approx. 11:00 AM Friday
    - (1) Complaints about first responders' care discussed.
- Regional 7 & 8 (Laguna Seca)
  - Porsche Racing Club ("PRC") running with us.
  - Full schedule. Track time needs to be reduced to accommodate. Majors format to be used; no second race qualifying.
- Regional 9 & 10 (Sonoma)
  - World of Speed to run with us.
  - FA & FM get their own group
  - Spec Miata Festival is that weekend. They're also running with us.
    - (1) Mike LaBouff will not be able to help us out.
    - (2) Terry McCarthy and Ian Cook will assist in the set up of the Miata Festival.
  - Test Day: no comments.
- Hoosier Super Tour
  - Sunday sound windows do not accommodate the desired warm-up sessions scheduled for the groups from 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM
  - Note that snacks/hors d'oeuvres should be served and available on Friday evening. It was specifically noted that they can be cold snacks; don't need to be hot.

## 5. Race Staffing

- Steward coverage: Regionals
  - Takes time to ramp up, as Stewards in Training (“SIT”) must cycle through all jobs before qualifying as a full Steward.
  - 2 SITs on track to become Stewards at this time.

## 6. Regional Classes: possible additions

- MC class
  - Small turnout expected.
  - Would be in AS if not in their own class.
- Vintage FF Spec Hoosier treaded
  - R60 Hoosier compound is in three different tires. We can already run any of those.
  - Request was to run the treaded tire ONLY, which would require a separate class.
  - Tim to send an e-mail explaining existing FFT class.
- Fuel issues
  - Some cars can go 30 minutes, can’t go 35. Fuel cell would be too expensive to replace. (Group 4 only)  
(1) Solution: keep affected classes to 30-minute races while increasing other classes’ times to 35 minutes.
  - Have had meetings with Groups 7, 2, 4, and 3. Are slated to meet with Group 6 at Laguna (Regional 7 & 8) and Group 5 at Sonoma (Regional 9 & 10)

## 7. Permanent Numbers

- Sherry & Youmna to get together and update/post the list.

## 8. Laguna Seca contract: finalized.

## 9. Time and date of next meeting: June 19, 2019, at 11:00 AM at Vic’s All-Star Kitchen (201 Main St A, Pleasanton, CA 94566)

**Meeting adjourned at 1:55 PM.**