

# NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CORVETTE CLUBS, INC.

## GOVERNORS MEETING MINUTES



Sheraton Westport – St. Louis, MO

**September 8, 2007**

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*FRIDAY.....November 9, 2007*

<p><b>EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING</b> Chairperson: Dick Yanko Phone: (270) 796-9475 4:00 PM Please check signs</p>	<p><b>REGIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE</b> Chairperson: Dave Heinemann Phone: (708) 448-7851 Time/Room: 7:00 PM - Please Check Signs</p>
<p><b>FINANCE COMMITTEE</b> Chairperson: Deb Murphy Phone: (330) 784-1527 Time/Room: 6:00 PM – Please check signs</p>	<p><b>REGIONAL COMPETITION COMMITTEE</b> Chairperson: Mike Godfrey Phone: (574) 784-2991 Time/Room: 7:00 PM - Please Check Signs</p>
<p><b>CHARITY COMMITTEE</b> Chairperson: Patrick Dolan Phone: (517) 651-2029 Time/Room: 6:00 PM – Please check signs</p>	<p><b>REGIONAL MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE</b> Chairperson: Bob Bowen Phone: (319) 377-1829 Time/Room: 7:00 PM - Please Check Signs</p>
<p><b>CONVENTION STEERING COMMITTEE</b> Chairperson: Jim Harris Phone: (810) 621-3468 Time/Room: 6:30 PM – Please check signs</p>	<p><b>FRIDAY NIGHT HOSPITALITY ROOM</b> Chairperson: Gary Foster Phone: (515) 233-2373 Time/Room: 8:00 PM – Please check signs</p>

**SATURDAY .NOVEMBER 10, 2007**

<p><b>EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING</b> Chairperson: Dick Yanko Phone: (270) 796-9475 Time/Room: 8:00 AM - Please check signs</p>	<p><b>BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING</b> Time: 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM Room: Please check signs</p>
<p><b>**Chairpersons are requested to let their committees know in advance of any changes</b></p>	<p><b>SATURDAY NIGHT HOSPITALITY ROOM</b> Time: 8:00 PM Room: Please check signs</p>

Meeting Dates for 2007  
Meeting Dates for 2008

November 9-10, 2007  
Feb. 29- March 1, 2008  
May 2-3, 2008  
June 21-27, 2008  
September 12-13, 2008  
November 7-8, 2008

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## **National Council of Corvette Clubs, Inc.**

September 8, 2007

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### **Governors' Meeting Minutes**

#### **Dick Yanko - President**

Dick opened the meeting at 1:00pm with the pledge of allegiance and then introduced the National officers, 2007 Convention Director, John McGee, 2007 Convention treasurer, Mary Bellamy, and 2008 Convention Director, Ron Ruston. Not in attendance were the Past President, Roger Mitchell and Sgt. at Arms, Gary Foster. Introductions from the floor were then made of the regional officers. Dick then asked for a motion to pay the proxies. Motion made by Allen Morris with second by Manny Montgomery. Motion passed.

Dick announced the members of council that are no longer with us –Ken Stapel from Vette Set, Rob Rico from Corvettes West, Gary Mathern from Corvette Club of Iowa, Darrell Graves from Valley Vettes, Roman Sabadaszica of Lanier Corvette Club, Sue McGee of Nashville Corvette Club, Sue Grothe of Suburban Corvette Club of Minnesota, Barry Gilreath of Mile Hi Corvette Club, Ron Moon of Route 66 Corvette Club, Mark Mills of Central W. Va. Corvette Club, Earl Dow of Buckeye Corvette Club, Joe Howard of Buckeye Corvette Club, Jerry Dickerson of Mid Illinois Corvette Club, Homer Smith of Circle City Corvette Club and Don Hale of Circle City Corvette Club. This was followed by a moment of silence. He asked that we also keep in our thoughts and prayers the members of our organization that are going through their own private battles now with diseases and for our servicemen that are not able to be here today and those that are serving in other parts of the country.

#### **Officer Reports**

##### **Carolyn Montgomery – Secretary**

No changes or corrections to the June 2007 Convention meeting minutes. A motion to approve as written was made by Arnie Bailey with a second by George Gallant. Motion passed.

She reminded all to keep email changes and mailing addresses coming.

##### **Deb Murphy – Treasurer**

The tax return has been filed and accepted by the IRS so that is done for this year. The audit is also finished. What she did this year was present a list of procedures she wanted the auditor to look at and this has now been done. The bill so far is only \$4,000 and that was for two years. She thinks she can whittle this down because as a client she was not really pleased with their service. She has a draft only of the final report, if you wish to have the final report, let her know and she will get you a copy. She had them look at and make sure all the bank accounts were reconciled, looked at the Florida convention and looked at Grants and Scholarships and the general fund for 2005-2006. They compared the reports you were given in the minutes to what was actually in Quickbooks so they could verify she was not making things up that she was reporting to you. They also looked at the money collected for membership dues compared to what the VP of Membership gave her for his spreadsheet. There was a timing difference of \$6,000 which is about 2%. She had more money than he had reported as membership. She feels that this was a good measure to say that all money we are getting in for membership is getting in the bank. This will be done on an annual basis. There were no questions on the audit.

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She went over the financial reports for 2007 Profit and Loss and Balance sheet. No questions. She then briefly reviewed the 2008 budget overview which will be talked about later, but wants you to be aware this budget is in the red.

### **Pat Kelly – FCOA**

Pat covered the FCOA report. Please note what you see in the Florida Region is not a typo, they did increase their membership over this past year by 74.4%. One of their clubs did a major FCOA campaign and she got 43 applications in one envelope. You will also notice there are a different number of FCOA members on her report compared to what Bob has on his. She misunderstood something about the deadline time so his numbers do not include the 16 year olds that she had to pull out.

She recently assigned FCOA # 3600 to the four year old grandson of a member of Corvette Cleveland in East Ohio. That gentleman, Bob Ruth, has been a member of that club for 49 years.

Some of you may be wondering why the FCOA packets have not gone out yet. She had a brilliant idea of something to put in for the kids. This was the FCOA logo on a dash plaque, but little did she know that when she requested quotes from companies the cost of doing this. It is very expensive because of all the colors in the logo. Gene and Pat are still working on getting some lower quotes, hopefully will have the packets in the mail at the end of October.

The new kids have received their packets without a dash plaque and whenever she gets the dash plaques for this year she will send to them. She is still working on the ones for the kids that have been members for a while.

Cheryl from Tejas Corvettes gave Pat a check for \$500, which was much appreciated.

Pat also thanks Desert Corvette Assn. for their generous donation of \$369. DCA held a drawing for a liquor bottle stand that went along with their pirates theme for the wine tasting at Convention.

### **Hal Bellamy – Business Manager**

Since the last meeting there have not been any claims, but he understands there have been a couple of incidents. As far as news on the insurance program, K & K will be going with a new carrier which is Scottsdale Insurance. The only thing you will see that will be different is the name on the front of the policy, all else remains the same. Everyone will get a new package this coming year.

### **Larry Beebe – Public Relations**

The displays have been out and about many times. They are now going to Cincinnati, then Carolina Region, Funfest at Mid America then the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Cape Kennedy.

At the end of this year they will have been used 20 times around the nation, from California to New York, to Idaho, to Michigan down to Florida. He thanks everyone that has used the displays and hopes next year can pick up right where we left off.

### **Joan Thomas – Webmaster**

She pointed out three things on the website. There will be a link for the 2009 convention proposal, for right now will be on the convention webpage and connected to 2009. This will go on the ballot and again this year the secretary will be in charge of getting her a link to show when the ballots are returned. This serves a couple of purposes, you can see if your club got their ballot back in and if you are the governor and sent it in, this shows you the secretary had received it back.

There will be bios and pictures of candidates for the offices so you can read all about them. This gives you an idea of who you might want to have for 2008.

The website contest for 2007 is over and she appreciates the judges' help. ZIP products will be sponsoring it again this year. All of the websites that entered and the winners are posted on the website. She is looking for judges for the 2008 contest and she would like to have at least three, prefers they are not regional officers, or governors. This is a great time for you to talk to someone in your club that might bring a fresh look to looking at the websites in the

aspect that they might be looking to join a club. If you know of someone, send her the name and she will have these names ready to be voted on by the governors in February.

The website committee was started this year however they have been struggling on how to do this as there is not really time to have a meeting between the meetings she already has. They have decided to have their website committee on the website (how appropriate). This will be put in a format of a question and answer type. She will put guidelines out that they have come up with followed by any questions she has had. It will be done in a form type format with FAQ's in certain categories. This way even the webmasters three years from now can go back and get some guidance to see where we are trying to go with the continuity of information from National level down to Regional level down to Club level and back up.

You can read her report – it is the entire website!

**Dick Yanko** - at this time announced the clubs that had 30+ years or longer

Cape Kennedy Corvette Club celebrating 40 years  
Cincinnati Corvette Club celebrating 50 years  
Las Vegas Corvette Association celebrating 34years  
Corvette Super Sports celebrating 48 years  
Boone Trails Corvette Club celebrating 45 years  
San Jacinto Corvette Club 50 years  
Sunburst Corvette Club 30 years  
Corvette Club of Iowa 45 years  
Newport Harbor Corvettes 35 years  
North Florida Corvette Association 43 years  
Corvette Atlanta 35 years  
Corvette Troy 40 years  
Wisconsin Corvette Club 48 years  
Chicago Corvette Club 49 years  
Anderson Corvette Association 37 years  
Royal Corvettes 41 years  
Indianapolis Corvette Club 37 years  
Fort Wayne Corvette Club 35 years  
Glass City Corvette Club 40years

(The secretary offers apologies if any of the clubs were missed – due to technical difficulties – we will get you announced at the November meeting)

### **Mike Godfrey – VP Competition**

Since the last meeting there has been one new drag record set which was at convention. This new record is 13.75 for L1E and was set by Sharon Meesseman. Since that time we have had another record drag but no new record set, no additional drag records for the year and because of the pending outcome in November the drag records or indexes will not be updated until the end of the year.

Mike announced the top 5 current point standings as of 9/1/07, which is on the website.

#### **Top 5 Clubs**

5. Southeast Region	Corvette Atlanta	4,602 points
4. Midwest Region	Windy City Corvette Club	5,185 points
3. Southeast Region	Nashville Corvette Club	5,195 points
2. Southwest Region	Oklahoma City Corvette Club	6,247 points
1. Florida Region	North Florida Corvette Association	6,980 points

#### **Top 5 Ladies**

5. Midwest Region	Dianna Haack	590 points
4. West Ohio Region	Pat Brown	596 points
3. Florida Region	Mary Tooley	643 points

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2. Carolina Region	Donna Littlejohn	677 points
1. Southeast Region	Betty Parks	891 points

Top 5 Men

5 Midwest Region	Paul Haack	619 points
4 Indiana Region	Patrick Wrigley	687 points
3. Florida Region	Joseph Tooley	709 points
2. Michigan Region	Ray Meesseman	768 points
1. Southeast Region	Don Parks	857 points

He then covered the following clarifications

1. Does the hubcap (center cap) on the C4 OEM or similar wheels have to be removed for Speed Events?  
Answer – yes
2. Can the H-PIPE” be replaced with an “X-PIPE”? Answer is no
3. Do both the “H-PIPE” and the “OXYGEN SENSORS” have to be in the exact factory location? Answer is yes
4. Will the Ron Fellows rear spoiler be allowed on any C6 Z06? This is a dealer option, apparently. Answer is yes.

**Dave Heinemann – Parliamentarian**

Last night they discussed the Newsletter contest and this will be continued. He has heard comments that some people may not know you can print electronic newsletters and submit. So please get this out to your members that this can be done. There will be five awards again to be given at the Convention banquet.

He will be reading three clean up by-law items today under New Business, and there will be a motion to correct those. The vote will not be today, just will need a motion and a second and these will be on the ballots, which will be mailed by the end of this month.

Dave is nearing the end of his term as Parliamentarian and they have worked diligently for the last 2 ½ years on cleaning up the standing rules, which has been accomplished. They also went through by-laws and cleaned up a few items. He presented some goals to the RE's for next year that we can look forward to improving this organization; they discussed this and had some excellent talk and suggestions which will be shared in the upcoming meetings.

**Patrick Dolan – Director of Charity**

Patrick announced that Elana Siebel has cancer, this has come on suddenly. She is about to start chemo. Her address is 8916 South 8th Street, Kalamazoo MI 49009-8940 if you would like to send her cards/letters. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

The 2008 raffle car will be a black coupe. An update on 2007, the gentleman was from Flushing MI and he did take the car, however decided he wanted a convertible so he traded with Cauley Chevrolet.

Tickets are available for the 2008 raffle. One change on the ticket for 2008 is that the cash option has been raised from \$20,000 to \$30,000. If we are offering a car we are paying \$45-50,000 for and we only offer \$20,000 cash, this is not much incentive.

This year is the transplant game year so the kidney foundation will be helping in selling a lot more tickets than they did last year. Two shows have been done so far this year, Mackinaw City and Carlisle. They will do the 100% club again this year.

Scholarships are due by 5/1/08 and the forms are on the website and can get from Patrick.

**Jim Harris – Convention Steering Committee**

Re the 2007 Convention again thanks to John and his crew. They did address some requests for refunds and processed these. The financial reports are still pending at this time. At the next meeting he should be able to give us a bottom line.

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**2008 Program** – Ron Ruston provided some information. We are going to have a great time, will be hard to do better than John but they will try. The Southwest Region is proud to invite everyone to racing on Tulsa time for the 29<sup>th</sup> annual NCCC convention, in Tulsa Ok. June 21-27, 2008. (Refer to the website for further details).

**2009 Program** – will be covered under New Business with presentations to be done by the Michigan Region and Rocky Mountain Region.

### **Debbie Lindsey – Director of Sponsorship**

She did go to the Carlisle event and it was hot! She had a great time and appreciated the support from the East Region. They will be participating in the Mid America Fun Fest in a couple of weeks and will have the National Council display and some of the E-Board members in attendance.

All the sponsorship monies are in with the exception of one company that still owes a little bit of money on their sponsorship.

She has started the program for next year and has the brochure ready to go out. She just found an error in it today, thanks to Joan Thomas for catching this, so this will be fixed and then will be going out.

Joan has also been very good about working with her on the special discounts for member's page. This is a page they offer for companies' that have something to offer but the companies do not want to pay money to advertise. So she offers them this page just to get started. They are going to look at a different way of doing this next year so that it does provide a little bit of income for NCCC. She does have two new additions to this page, so be sure and look at this. They are Neon Clocks and Corvette Gear USA.com.

One of the best ways to contact sponsors is through networking. If any of you have companies that you work with that you know someone that knows someone, it is a great benefit to have that inside track. It is very difficult to go to someone cold turkey and get them interested in becoming involved. If you do know someone that you think might be interested in working with us as a business contact please let her know.

Manny commented that he really appreciates the discount page. Since he has discovered this he only stays at Choice Hotels which gets him about \$10 per night discount. Debbie appreciated this feedback so she can share this with the young lady involved with this because the young lady feels we are not living up to our agreement. Debbie will tell her that our members are indeed using this. In some markets this is not the best deal, but be sure to check it out because you do get a discount and it does count toward NCCC and it does help our stature with them.

### **Sylvia Hoaldrige – Publications**

Sylvia thanked everyone for all the cards, prayers, and warm wishes for her recovery, because that and the good Lord above got her through this and she is now cancer free.

The convention issue is combined with the summer issue and is 84 pages long. It has gone to the printer, should be out by the end of September or the first part of October.

The deadline for the fall issue was originally September 1st but has been extended to the 16<sup>th</sup> of September. She needs articles, photo's or whatever you may want to put in this issue.

She mentioned that next year is a transplant year and it is very important that you support this; you never know when you might need this. So let's really support NKF.

### **Rhonda Higgins – Distribution**

Rhonda has a request for those of you that choose to advertise your events in Corvette Fever or Corvette magazines of any sort. Please let her know about it in advance as she is getting calls about these events and she knows nothing about them. If she has the information she can then be prepared if she happens to get a call on it.

The 2008 cards have been ordered and the calendars are in. The RMD's have already been informed of this so Governor's listen up. The plan is at the November meeting, if she gets the pins, to go along with the calendars she already has, she will bring a box of each for the RMD's. She will use the September 8, 2007 membership report to give her the number she will

need for each region. She will give these to the RMD's who in turn will pass on to you, the governors. It will be up to you, the governors to get these two items to the renew members. They will put a blurb on the website, in *Blue Bars* and in the renewal packet with the other material that she does send that Renewal members are to contact their governors to get their pin and calendars. Governors, please get this to your members!

Also at the November meeting she will have some 2007 pins available. This is first come first serve. Go back to your clubs, see how many you will need and she will do her best to get these to you at the meeting. The RMD/RE will determine how many are needed and email the info to Rhonda.

### **Bob Bowen – VP of Membership**

Membership reports are available and show that we are up 418 members over this time last year.

The RMD's met last night and picked a date when they need the renewal packets back from you the governors. When you the governors, get the renewal packet from Bob, it will have a date on it when you have to have that packet back to your RMD. That is not when you mail it, or when you think about mailing it, you want to have it to the RMD by that date so they have time to process this so they can get it to Bob before the deadline. So please adhere to the dates so your RMD is not working through Thanksgiving and Christmas trying to get this stuff out to you.

He may be preaching to the choir, and if he is, he is sorry, but as governors you need to process, and he is talking about new applications now, those applications and get to your RMD in a timely manner. Just this past month he has received a number of applications that had been signed by members in February and March and April and he is receiving these in August. He knows his RMD's are not keeping them. This is not doing a very good service to your new members if it takes 4 months for the packet to get to them. You should be able to process these applications quickly as most of you have meetings once a month and should be able to send this stuff in on a monthly basis.

Larry Hickman asked Bob for a new member joining the organization for the first year, what is our cost for that new member as compared to what we actually charge them? The second part of the question is same question, just for a renewal member- what is our cost compared to what we charge them? Bob does not have the numbers in front of him, but the new member gets a license plate frame, pin, calendar, rule book, patch, membership card decal etc. He has the cost for some of these items and Rhonda has cost for others. He will dig this information up and provide later.

### **Dick Yanko – President**

The NCM had a board meeting last weekend at their celebration, advertised 650 people pre-registered. He attended the morning breakfast meeting and John took his place at the afternoon business meeting. He would not be sure he would agree with the number of people they were claiming as he did not see that many Corvettes in town.

At the business meeting, it was discussed that they are going to borrow 7.5 mm dollars for the building addition. They are also exercising an option on 55 + acres of land on the east side of the interstate. They are looking to put in a ¼ mile drag strip, a 1.2 mile road course and an autocross pad. This will be treated as a capital project although he thinks they will be borrowing the money to purchase this land and it is \$870,000, which does not include the clearing, developing etc. This is going to be very expensive. The NCM thinks they will have people coming down and running events there, and they may, they also believe they will be able to rent this track out for training and driving schools.

Dick passed out a packet of information having to do with Corvette Homecoming. Lexington had horses, Chicago had cows, and Bowling Green is going to have Corvettes. The first one out will be a 57, then 63, 68, C5 and Z06. These will be scaled down versions 5 ft long, 2 ft wide and 18 in tall. The deal is you buy this thing and you put it on display. They then auction it off to someone. The monies go to the Warren County Red Cross. The advantage for some club buying one is \$400 will go to your local Red Cross chapter. They were hoping maybe Council would look at buying one but since we are upside down on our budget this year we are not going to be affording the \$3,000.

Dick took this opportunity to once again thank John McGee, Betty Parks, Jim Krebs, the folks that came down to work from East Ohio, the Dawleys, the folks that came over from the Carolina region, and the Nashville Corvette

Club. This was a convention that was put on by many for your enjoyment, so we certainly hoped you enjoyed it. We also hope you realize we did this for a real good friend.

### **Old Business**

Bob brought the nominating committee up to the podium, Pat Brown, Patsy Shearer and Diane Bowen. Bob offered to read the job descriptions but no one requested this to be done, if interested you can go to the web page to read.

Pat Brown – for the office of the VP of Competition from the June governor's meeting we have a nomination, Jack Wilson. Opened the floor for additional nominations for VP of Competition. No additional nominations. Motion to close the nomination by Allen Morris with a second by Alan Smith. No discussion. Motion passed.

Patsy Shearer –for the office of Secretary, Cindy Urenda from Aurora Colorado, a member of the Denver Corvette Association and member of the Rocky Mountain Region for seven years. She has been President of the Denver Corvette Association for eight years, Webmaster one year and Vice President two years. Opened the floor for additional nominations, none offered. Motion to close the nomination by Alan Smith with a second by Larry Hickman. No discussion, motion passed.

Diane Bowen -Nomination for Sgt. at Arms, Gary Foster. No other nominations. Gary is the current Sgt. at Arms. Motion to close by Alan Smith with second by Allen Morris. No discussion, motion passed.

For the office of Business Manager, we have three candidates, George Gallant from the East Region, Dennis Patrick from the East Ohio Region and Manny Montgomery from the Florida Region. No additional nominations for this position. Motion to close by Alan Smith and second by Larry Hickman. No discussion, motion passed. Each of these candidates came up and gave a short speech as to their qualifications. (Refer to the website for their bio).

Jack Wilson also came up to speak and shared his qualifications for the office of VP of Competition.

Gary Foster could not be with us today as he is interviewing for a police chief job and Cindy had other commitments.

Presentations for the meeting sites for 2010-2012 have to be to the RMD's by the November meeting.

No other old business.

### **New Business**

**Hal Bellamy** reported on the site inspections for the two convention prospects, Grand Rapids MI. and Colorado Springs, CO.

Grand Rapids – you go to the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel. They call it grand for a reason, because it is. They have five restaurants ranging from a deli to jackets and ties. Traffic in and out is an easy deal, from the airport about 10-15 minutes; it is a pay shuttle to get in from the airport. In the city, Grand Rapids downtown is an interesting place has been pretty well overhauled, a lot of restaurants, entertainment places. As far as the other facets of the city area the hotel is a high class place, this needs to be noted. The track facility for both the high and low speed are very competent, the drag race site is a beautiful place, no problem. Parking for Grand Rapids is offsite, probably a 10 minute walk. There will be a shuttle service and cars are going to park in the parking garage across the street. His opinion is this is a very traditional well organized racer convention.

Colorado Springs has the Crowne Plaza Hotel, has three restaurants ranging from a deli to an upscale bar/restaurant type. Has indoor and outdoor pools, the airport is 10-15 minutes away and offers a free shuttle. This free shuttle will also take you around town. Shopping and eating is very close. They have a facility capable of having the in door Concours, liberal on their policy for flags and banners. The tracks are Bandimere Speedway which we have run before, very capable place, high speed at Pueblo Motorsports Park which is adequate. The low speed is an interesting location, right across the street from the hotel. You can walk out your hotel room or look out the window and watch what is going on over there. The Hotel has a 550 car parking lot and in addition a grass field where you

could park a lot of semis. You can look out your window and see Pikes Peak. He thinks what we have here is basically what he would describe as a vacation resort. Both are very capable facilities.

Allen Morris asked a question about the parking at either of these hotels-can he easily walk to his corvette and go somewhere and also for trailer parking. Hal responded that at the Colorado Springs venue parking would not be a problem they have plenty of places to park. The situation is really the same at Michigan but for the rigs is not; the parking is a couple of blocks away. The car parking for your corvette is right across the street, will be in a parking garage. When he was there they charged to park. You will have a very nice time at either venue; it is a matter of where you want to go and how you want to do it.

Presentation then given for the convention proposal in Michigan. (Refer to the NCCC website for full details of the proposal).

**Dick** announced the teller committee; there will be four from the RMD's, four from the RE's and four members at large. The representatives from the RMD's, are Diane Bowen, Patsy Shearer, Sue Puksich, and Joe Vasta. Reps from the RE's, are Jerry Limpach, Jack Carkner, Mike Weil and Bernyce Molenda. Reps from the members at large are George Powell, Jim Thomas, Don Parks and Dennis Luther. Motion to accept the appointment of this teller committee was made by Allen Morris with a second by Larry Higgins. No discussion motion passed.

Presentation then given for the convention in Colorado. (Refer to the NCCC website for full details of the proposal).

Dick asked for a motion to appoint Betty Parks as the 2008 convention treasurer. A motion made by John McGee with a second by Manny Montgomery. No discussion, motion passed.

Dick then called Betty up to the podium and presented her with the 2007 President's award.

**Dave Heinemann** read the three by-law changes that are to be voted on. They are as follows.

#### 1. ARTICLE VIII

##### Meetings SECTION 1. Notice of Meetings.

Original:

A **written** notice of each regular and special meeting of the Board of Governors stating the time, place, date and purpose thereof shall be **mailed** by the Secretary of the Corporation to each governor. **Written** notices shall be mailed at least twenty-one (21) days prior to the date of such meeting.

Proposed change that you will be voting on in the mail

A notice of each regular and special meeting of the Board of Governors stating the time, place, date and purpose thereof shall be **sent** by the Secretary of the Corporation to each governor. Notices shall be **sent** at least twenty-one (21) days prior to the date of such meeting.

What was changed is we took out written and put in sent. It now covers any way we want to send it, electronically or written. The current rule forces us to have a written notice. We are trying to cut cost of mailing and that is what has been changed basically, two words, eliminated mail and took out written and written and put in sent.

#### 2. Article IX, Section 5, Convention Proceeds of the By-laws.

At the last meeting in May we put a standing rule in to eliminate convention reserve fund. There was a fund set aside of \$20,000. National is responsible for any convention losses whether there is a reserve or not. It was recommended by the steering committee we would remove that reserve so now the by-laws have to be cleaned up. The current rule reads:

The corporation and the host organization shall share equally in the annual convention proceeds. The next sentence is what we are eliminating. **The Corporation share shall be placed in a convention reserve fund.** The Corporation shall reimburse the host organization for losses incurred; however should the loss result from the host organization's non-compliance of the Convention Steering Committee recommendation(s), the host organization shall be responsible for that expenditure. A loss will be reviewed by the Convention Steering Committee for a

determination of responsibility; the decision of the Convention Steering Committee may be appealed to the Board of Governors.

3. This one is a little lengthy, article 11 Section 3. What we have added is in the 5<sup>th</sup> line to include –two weeks prior....

ARTICLE XI Section 3.

Duties Regional Executive Committee

The Regional Executive committee shall be comprised of the elected/appointed Regional Executive from each Region. The immediate Past President and Parliamentarian shall be non-voting members. This committee shall be chaired by the immediate Past President or an individual elected from the ranks of the Regional Executive committee. Any proposed revision, amendment, or repeal to the corporate By-Laws shall first be referred to this committee to review and make recommendation(s) based on technical application, if necessary [ correct Article, Section, etc., resolve any conflict with other articles, suggest language changes ( with the permission of the author) which do not change the original intent of the proposal].. After due investigation and review, the findings of the committee shall be presented, without prejudice, to the Board of Governors at the regularly scheduled business meeting following the annual meeting or a special meeting called for such purpose. The committee shall retain a permanent record of all resolutions passed during the year by the Board of Governors. The committee shall also review financial matters presented by the Finance committee and other duties as assigned by the Executive Board

Proposed:

Regional Executive Committee

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All we have put in is a time when it needs to be submitted to the RE committee. In the RE description of by-law proposals there was a never a time line of when one was to be submitted. Someone could submit a by-law last night and it isn't appropriate for us to deal with it on the spur of the moment. So we put in a provision that by-law considerations must be submitted by the first meeting of the year to allow the RE's at least two meetings to digest it, check it, verify it and make sure it does not conflict and then present it to you at the meeting after the annual meeting which is this meeting.

These are the only three changes we are going to make. They are basically cleanup items to make things work a little more efficiently and flow a little better.

There were no questions; this will be in the ballots to vote on. Cal Camp made a motion (see attached) to modify article 8 section 1 re notice of meeting, article IX section 5 re convention proceeds, and article XI section 3 duties of the RE committee. This motion was seconded by Bernyce Molenda. No further discussion. This will be voted on in the ballots that will be sent out.

The ballots will be sent out by the end of the month, September 30<sup>th</sup> and must be postmarked back to the secretary by October 31<sup>st</sup> for the vote to count.

**Mike Godfrey** -Rulebook Proposal - Mike thanked all of the RCD's and the proxy RCD's that have worked on this rulebook. They have done a lot of serious work and have done work even outside the meetings, with a lot of communication through emails, a lot of thought put into what they have done. They ran a little short on time, it was

his understanding that this had to be presented at this meeting however he did not realize it was supposed to be voted on at this meeting.

What he has is the rulebook consisting of the working copy they had last night plus all of his notes. So that is what he has to present for consideration. At this time he will entertain a motion. Manny Montgomery, RCD of the Florida Region North Florida Corvette Association made the motion that the rulebook package as presented by the competition committee be approved. It is seconded by Howard Curtis of Elkhart Vette Set. Opened the floor for discussion. 1st comment was that this is in violation of the by-laws as individual copies have not been provided to the governors. Manny Montgomery made a motion that the voting on the rulebook be suspended until the next meeting. This was seconded by Howard Curtis. Mike then commented his original plan was he will take this, put it all together when he gets home as fast as he can do it, it will go out to his RCD's to have a short period to review it to make sure he did not miss anything and then it would be distributed to all the governors via email through the secretary to be voted on in the November meeting.

Further discussion on this issue. Calvin Camp made a second motion, to see how this works with the one Manny just made –was told we have to do something with the motions already on the floor. So changed to part of the discussion he recommends the 2004-2007 rulebook be extended for one year that will give everyone time to review it to work through it as we do not want to rush something in to the rules that we have to deal with next year. Mike thinks extending this for a year is too long, by voting on this in November it would start the first of the year. We have to get a vote on the suspension that is on the floor – Dick – we have a motion on the floor to accept this rulebook. We have a motion on the floor to suspend the vote on this motion until the November meeting. The suggestion at this point is that we vote on the suspension. If the suspension fails we go back and vote on the presentation of the rulebook. If the presentation fails we are under the current rulebook until we come up with a new rulebook, and by voting on the presentation, motion 1, we fulfilled the obligations of the book and we can come back, Mike can do all the work, send it out to everyone, have it ready for November and we start over again. So what we should do is just withdraw the suspension and just go to the vote.

Bernyce questioned if you are to give a copy of the rulebook to the governors what is the deadline that you will have this to them in order for them to review it and vote on. The governors still have to get it to their members. Mike plans on getting this out by the end of this month which gives you well over a month to look it over. Arnie can not believe that this body of governors would pass a rulebook that it has not seen so if you want to take a vote, let's take a vote. He is worried about the time frame also as this is going to be sent to the competition people then to go out to the governors and then he has to go to his club, depending on when his club meeting is those people should have a right to know what is in that rulebook and have some input into this. Mike commented that is why he is trying to get it sent out; his aim is to get to the governors by the end of this month, which means he has to get it to the RCD's to look over before that.

Manny stated as a member of the RCD committee people may be thinking there is a lot of changes to the rulebook, there is not, it is just easier to read. It has been laid out differently so you can actually find stuff in the rulebook. Manny withdrew his motion for a suspension. No more discussion, called the question on the original motion by Don Schmitt. Dick read the original motion, the rulebook package as presented by the competition committee to be approved, signed by Manny Montgomery with a second by Howard Curtis. Called for a vote on all those in favor of presenting the rulebook as presented –motion defeated. This will be presented again in November. We are under the current rulebook until 12/31/07, will vote on the new rulebook in the November meeting to be effective January 1<sup>st</sup> 2008.

Dave asked for Kevin to make a motion to make this clean that once all the copies are received and reviewed by all governors we will vote on this in November. Kevin made the motion that Mike send out an electronic copy to all governors to be reviewed and voted on at the November meeting. Howard Curtis seconded this motion. Motion passed.

**Dick** commented that last year at a November meeting Roger had called a motion that we give amnesty to clubs that had for whatever reason not sent their proxies in for attendance. He will be asking for a similar motion at the November meeting. The reason he is bringing this up at this meeting is so that the RE's will have a chance to get to any of their clubs that have not submitted proxies for whatever reason and we can get those in and presented at the November meeting for attendance only. That will clean up one of the little standing rules that we have about how we

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treat clubs in good standing. He has also ask Dave and the RE's for the November meeting to look at ways for cleaning up that rule so we no longer have this problem.

**Deb Murphy**- Talked about the budget for 2008; we wanted to make sure we had some realistic numbers in the budget. Last year we tweaked membership a little bit, to Bob's dismay, so we would not be so far in the hole. We did not do that this year. The budget we have now is realistic numbers that we are projecting to spend. Thankfully we have been fiscally responsible and we have not spent what we have estimated. It doesn't mean we are padding the budget, so take a look at it. If you have questions please email them to Deb Murphy, she has more information than anyone could ever want.

This budget will be voted on and this budget will be included in the minutes. Keep in mind these are our best guess these are not actual numbers. Some discussion on this budget vs. the projected and actual.

Deb stated she would be happy to put something together to get in the minutes if you want to see actual year end totals for a couple of years. But keep in mind to be fiscally responsible we do the budgets to make them our best guess at what we expect as income and for expenses. Thankfully last year in our budget we had estimated that we were going to be at a negative. We ended up with \$30,000 in net income last year over what we expected, in the black. So we did not spend as much as we thought we would. That is what the budgets are all about. We are trying to make our best guess on what we expect to spend and all she is trying to do is compare what we have estimated in the last three years so you can see. If you want actual's she will try to get together for the minutes but keep in mind a budget is our best guess for next year. The actuals for 2006 and 2007 as far as she can go, will be in the minutes as well as the projected 2008 budget.

No more new business.

**Betty Parks** commented on what the Southeast region is doing for Sue McGee –they have established a Sue McGee memorial scholarship and are taking donations, it will be a living tribute to Sue. In her honor, not to offend anyone, as Sue never wanted to offend anyone, they have asked Patrick, because the scholarship committee is the one that is going to award the Sue McGee memorial scholarship, that the first criteria for consideration of the candidate is that it has to be someone from the South. Sue just did not like those damn Yankees! All kidding aside they are setting up the scholarship. Sue was interested in the law field and they are considering that, if no one qualifies it will go into the general scholarship. For anyone that is interested they are taking donations, please make checks out to NCCC, Southeast region.

50/50 winner was Jerry Limpach and the amount was \$163.00.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 5:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Carolyn Montgomery*  
Carolyn Montgomery  
Secretary



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***COMPETITION COMMITTEE MEETING***  
**St Louis, Mo**  
**7 September 2007**

RCD's Present:

CAROLINA	(Absent)	NORTHEAST	JOHN BACKMAN
EAST OHIO	CHUCK STEPHENS	ROADRUNNER	PAUL HAMERSLY
EAST	BRIAN GALLAGHER	ROCKY MOUNTAIN	LARRY MORRISON
FLORIDA	MANNY MONTGOMERY	SOUTHEAST	DON PARKS
INDIANA	HOWARD CURTIS	SOUTHWEST	BOB PATTILLO
MICHIGAN	RAY MEESSEMAN(PROXY)	WEST OHIO	JIM ASBURY
MIDWEST	JACK WILSON	WEST	TIM BAILY
		WEST COAST	DAVE ALCIATORE (PROXY)

MEETING STARTED 7:30PM

V. P. COMMENTS:

The replacement patches for ones that had the wrong year on them were passed out.

Point standings and sanction log were sent by e-mail.

2007 National Points Standings: The current standings, as of September 1 for the 2007 competition season were sent out and the top five are listed below

CLUB --	1. North Florida Corvette Assn.	Florida Region	6980
	2. Oklahoma City C. C.	Southwest Region	6247
	3. Nashville C. C.	Southeast Region	5195
	4. Windy City C.C.	Midwest Region	5185
	5. Corvette Atlanta	Southeast Region	4602
MEN --	1. Don Parks	Southeast Region	857
	2. Ray Meesseman	Michigan Region	768
	3. Joseph Tooley	Florida Region	709
	4. Patrick Wrigley	Indiana Region	687
	5. Paul Haack	Midwest Region	619
WOMEN --	1. Betty Parks	Southeast Region	891
	2. Donna Littlejohn	Carolina Region	677
	3. Mary Tooley	Florida Region	643
	4. Patricia Brown	West Ohio Region	596
	5. Diana Haack	Midwest Region	590

Drag Records:

One new record was set at Convention: LIE was set by Sharon Meessman at 13.75

Clarifications:

#1. Page 2-34 Section 2.8 Item I.

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QUESTION: Does the hubcap(center cap) on the C4 OEM or similar wheels have to be removed for speed events?

ANSWER: YES YES: (10) NO: (3) Abstain (1)

#2. Page 2-19 Section 2.7.2 Item 2.7.2.16 GROUPS I-S and I REGULATIONS – 1984 AND UP, EXHAUST

QUESTION: Can the "H-PIPE" be replaced with a "X-PIPE"?

ANSWER: NO YES: (1) NO: (12) Abstain (1)

#3. Page 2-19 Section 2.7.2 Item 2.7.2.16 GROUPS I-S and I REGULATIONS – 1984 AND UP, EXHAUST

QUESTION: Do both the "H-PIPE" and the "OXYGEN SENSORS" have to be in the exact factory location?

ANSWER: YES YES: (11) NO: (2) Abstain (1)

#4. Page 2-19 Section 2.7.2 Item 2.7.2.11 GROUPS I-S and I REGULATIONS – 1984 AND UP, BODY

QUESTION: Will the Ron Fellows edition rear spoiler be allowed on any C6 Z06?

ANSWER: YES YES: (11) NO: (3) Abstain (0)

Old business:

None

New business:

None

Round table discussion.

Rulebook discussion

Finished rulebook discussion.

Meeting adjourned 12:05am

Michael G. Godfrey

Vice President Competition

Copy to:

ALL RCD's

NCCC President

NCCC Secretary

REGIONAL MEMBERSHIP'S September 7, 2007 MINUTES

Bob Bowen, Vice President of Membership, called the Regional Membership meeting to order at 7:05 PM on September 7, 2007. There were 17 members in attendance. They were: Diane Bowen-West Region, Ellouise Morrison-Rocky Mountain, Dick Runyan-Indiana, Barb Harris-Michigan, Anne Carkner-South East, Patsy Shearer-Florida, Cliff Harris-West Coast, Peggy Stephens-East Ohio, Cheryl Surdick-Southwest, Don Smith-Carolina, Pat Brown-West Ohio, Proxy Fred Scott-North East, Ron Scott-RoadRunner, Sue Puksich-MidWest, Joe Vasta-East Region, Pat Kelley-FCOA, and Rhonda Higgins-Distribution. FCOA Director, Pat Kelley, passed out and reviewed the FCOA membership report. There was a 74.4% increase in FCOA membership in the Florida Region. She has some neat things on order and in the works to include in the FCOA packets.

President-Dick Yanko stopped by. There were no questions for him. He discussed the cost of membership dues in other organizations. They don't include perks in their packets.

Webmaster-Joan Thomas stopped by. There were complaints about the black background on the home page.

Secretary-Carolyn Montgomery collected the attendance slips. No questions for her.

Rhonda Higgins-Distribution passed out the last of the membership applications. She will need to order more. Let her know if there are any changes that we want made. Nineteen thousand membership cards were ordered for 2008 renewal. The cards will have 2008 stamped on the front of them. She is out of the old rulebooks. New ones coming out for 2008.

Treasurer-Deb Murphy passed out sheets containing the past and present three years projected budget. Discussion followed regarding membership dues increase and other ways to help cut costs. She stated that we are trying to be fiscally responsible.

Larry Beebe-Director of Public Relations has sent the NCCC Kiosk out 20 times this year.

He has put some new instructions in the box to help with set up and also a list of things you need to get ahead of time to help with set up.

Hal Bellamy-Business Mgr, reported no claims-no problems for K& K insurance for 2007. There will probably be no increase in the cost of our insurance if we continue with no claims. He does have a 5% increase built up in new budget. There have been two possible meeting site proposals. One for St. Louis and one for Nashville.

Sylvia Holdridge-Blue Bars editor discussed the cost of printing and shipping blue bars. The deadline for the Fall issue has been extended to September 16. Summer/Convention is 84 pages and has been sent to printer. She has a backlog of articles from 3 clubs, four clubs want pictures on the back page. She has a commitment to full page color ads that is why she can't change to black and white.

The nominating committee: Diane Bowen, Pat Brown and Patsy Shearer reported these people have sent in nomination papers for the following positions: Secretary-Cindy Urenda, Business Manager-Dennis Patrick, George Gallant, and Manny Montgomery, VP of Competition-Jack Wilson, and SGT of Arms position-Gary Foster. Teller Committee will be: Diane Bowen, Joe Vasta, Patsy Shearer and Sue Puksich.

Bob asked that all RMDs give him the date that the membership packet is to be returned to them. It was suggested that Treasurer be added to the officer list.

Joe Vasta, the RMD's representative to the finance committee reported: discussion on the proposed 2008 budget, ideas on how to balance the budget: cut Blue Bars expenses, combine e-board offices, redistribute Regions, cut perks, membership dues increase, increase points from 200-300. Some ideas could take up to 15 months to see a change.

RMDs should do the bylaw change and send to RE's.

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A discussion followed concerning perks distribution. A notice will be put in the renewal packet, Blue Bars and on the web site stating that the perks are to be picked up from the governor of each club. RMDs will pick up pins and calendars at the November Governors meeting. Numbers based on 11/07 membership numbers.

Patsy Shearer headed a discussion concerning Blue Bars. Talked about changing the format, content, cost involved and maybe getting articles from sponsors. Need Blue Bars to address the membership.

Discussed some more about saving money. Talked about Region realignment, cost to send representatives from all the regions, Regions pay for hotel and mileage, no Regions at all. Think outside the box and bring ideas to next meeting.

RMD roundtable: West Coast lost two clubs Michigan gained a new club. Joe Vasta discussed Why join NCCC? Besides insurance, which they claim, they can get elsewhere cheaper. Suggested that they look at web page information and pamphlets that we hand out at shows.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15.

Respectfully submitted,

Barb Harris and Diane Bowen

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NCCC Regional Executive Meeting - September 7, 2007

Present at the meeting:

Bill Shearer Proxy RE Florida Region  
Gary Brisbois RE Midwest  
Kevin Milton RE Indiana Region  
Dick Desocio RE Northeast Region  
Jerry Limpach RE West Ohio  
Jack Carkner RE Southeast Region  
Michael Weil RE East Region  
Carl McFadden RE Roadrunner  
Chuck Herretta RE East Ohio  
Bernyce Molenda RE Southwest  
Calvin Camp RE Midwest  
Joe Scafero Proxy RE Michigan  
Allen Morris RE West Coast  
John Maxwell RE Rocky Mountain Region

Dave Heinemann, Parliamentarian, opened the meeting at 7:06 PM

Allen Morris indicated that the budget was discussed in the finance committee and we might be \$1000 for the end of the year. Budget is \$43000 over budget for 2008 and may be more like \$49000 when all of the figures come in. Membership has been directed to raise dues by \$5 per person across the board. Membership is expected to decline. They are also going to talk to membership about re-distribution of region and the national officers with the ways to cut the budget. The convention committees is working on completing the budget clean up for the convention and are projecting making about \$39000 which half go back to National and \$10000 will go to the Sue McGee scholarship fund and the rest will go back to National. Rebate program is being discussed to deal with bylaws and financing of the regions since National is not supposed to finance any region and the rebate program is in conflict. Budgets were passed around as well as the Treasurer's report.

Discussions were had about the dues increases and how to handle this. The discussion stopped at that point and tabled until the meeting tomorrow.

Carolyn Montgomery came in and picked up all of the proxies that the REs had for the Governor's meeting

Sylvia Hoaldrige came in and indicated that the blue bars date is Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup> which will be out the end of October or the First of November. Discussions were had about Blue Bars mailing prices and that due to cost, they must be shipped Bulk Rate. 12000 copies go out each time.

Larry Beebe came in and indicated that the display is still available for any events as well as he'd like to hear from you if you have any ideas to make it better. Having NCCC documentation and brochures was discussed by Dave Heinemann and to make sure that they are at the display because it's embarrassing to not have enough handouts.

Joan Thomas has indicated that the website committee is moving forward with the plans for next year. She has indicated that many changes will be happening in 2007 and that more information will be forthcoming. She asked how the standing rules and bylaws will be presented in final form for posting by the RE's committee.

Dick Yanko came in to the meeting and discussed American Red Cross of Warren County who raffles off a specially painted car whose proceeds go to Warren County Red Cross. Many of the RE's congratulated the Nashville Convention Team for a Job Well Done. Dick indicated that the whole event was done in Sue McGee's honor.

Teller committee was selected for November balloting. The volunteers Jack Carkner, Mike Weil, Jerry Limpach and Bernyce Molenda volunteered to be part of this committee.

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Deb Murphy indicated that the price increase has to happen, but this will start as of 1/1/08 and not for clubs that have already asked their membership for funds for 08. Berynce asked Deb why there was no total meeting expense for 2006, and it was just that it wasn't totaled on the sheet. She indicated that the paper sent out with budgetary and figures for 2006 were NOT actual audited figures.

The costs of running the business are continuing to go up, but we need to be aware that since everything going up things HAVE to go up in price. Discussions were had about places to find planners and pins so that the costs can be kept down.

Berynce Molenda read off the Newsletter and Web Site contest winners which were truly well deserved. They stood out with flying colors. All of the winners should be congratulated for their fine work. Dave Heinemann indicated that many clubs don't know about the contests and should be publicized more often. Because convention is early next year, the decision on number of awards should be made at the November meeting and Judges will have to be appointed at the first meeting next year.

Hal Bellamy came in and indicated that he had 3 runners for the Business Manager. He indicated that Incident Reports need to be submitted in a timely fashion.

Dave thanked the REs for the hard work producing the Standing Rule changes for the last meeting, discussions were had about all of the Standing Rule changes and everyone said it looked great.

Dave discussed that the E-Board made a comment about having more than one member from any club on the board at one time. This should be discussed with your clubs and bring this back up.

Goals for the RE Committee in 2008:

- How do we improve things in National Council, dues, budget, etc.
- What do we get for belonging to National Council?
- Do something good with the dues increases. What can we do?

Discussions were made with the Membership Committee as to how to write the motion for reading on the floor tomorrow to increase the dues across the board \$5. Much discussion was had about the increases, insurance costs and costs and benefits associated with the National Council. We need to create some talking points to help the REs present the NCCC to the Governors and in turn to their clubs. Create ways to give the REs tools to be the cheerleaders for the NCCC. Create tangible evidence of what we do.

Dave started reading the changes to the bylaws to be read at the Governor's Meeting:

Article 8 Section 1 of the Bylaws final reading tomorrow. Notice of Meetings. "A written notice" is used twice and "mailed" used once. We've taken "written" and "mailing" out as the minutes are now being sent electronically.

Article 9 Section 5 convention proceeds we eliminated "the corporation's share shall be placed in the convention reserve fund"

Article 11 Section 3, Regional Executive Committee – any revisions have to be presented "two weeks prior" to the regular meeting was added. "without prejudice" was removed.

Discussions were had about the Deb Murphy motion on penalty change. Dave is hesitant to move this forward due to a significant bylaw conflict with Article 5 Section 3B. He will take this to E-Board tomorrow to not read this on the floor.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:23PM

September 7, 2007  
NCCC CHARITY COMMITTEE MEETING

The meeting as called to order at 7:10 P.M.

Those in attendance were: Patrick Dolan, Elaine Heretta, Jean Morrison and Joan Heinemann.

Jean Morrison gave the financial reports, of the Grants and Scholarship and Charity Accounts.

Deb Murphy, NCCC Treasurer reported that the 2005 – 2006 National Kidney Foundation Charity Account audit will be done by an In House Committee. Deb will pick the committee. It was suggested an RE, RMD, Deb Murphy along with Jean Morrison be a part of the committee.

Jean will prepare the papers and copies of checks that the auditor requested for the Grants and Scholarship accounts.

Patrick Dolan reported that the Scholarship applications deadline is May 1, 2008.

The Corvette for the 2008 raffle will be a Black 2008 Coupe

The cash pay out on the raffle ticket has been changed to \$30,000. This amount may be more appealing to the winner.

Patrick reported on the Mackinaw City and Carlisle car shows. The ticket sales weren't quite as good as past years because of the weather.

NKF has tickets for the 2008 raffle. This will be a transplant year so ticket sales should be much better.

We would like to stress that National Kidney Foundation covers so different medical problems besides the kidneys. Many of our members have been recipients of transplants. We feel that NKF is a great charity and continue to support the charity.

Dick Yanko and Deb Murphy stopped in during the Charity Meeting.

Our best wishes to Elana Siebel.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Respectively submitted,

Joan Heinemann

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FINANCE COMMITTEE  
September 7, 2007, 6 pm  
St. Louis, Mo

In Attendance: Deb Murphy, Allen Morris, Joe Vasta, Hal Bellamy, Debbie Lindsey, Jean Morrison, Rhonda Higgins and Mary Bellamy.

The main discussion was concerning the proposed 2008 Budget to be presented to the Board of Governors at the meeting (Sept. 8, 2007). The budget is in the red \$45,000+. The charge the Finance committee has is to present options to finance the programs that NCCC has in place. The following items were presented for consideration:

1. A dues increase of \$5 across the board. Primary new to \$40, Primary renew to \$30 and all others to \$15. This recommendation was sent to the RMDs to draft a standing rule change. If the RMDs can get the standing rule drafted this evening, the proposal will go to the Res to be sure it is worded correctly and then presented to the Governors.
2. The RMDs should look at the amount being spent on renewal perks to see where some of the approximately \$30,000 can be reduced. This recommendation would not be as easy a fix as the dues increase to help out for the next year, but even so should be considered.
3. The RMDs should also look at redistricting the regions. Some of the regions have less members than a club. Again, this recommendation would not be an easy fix either but should be considered also.
4. The RCDs should look at the Regional rebates given each year. Since the regions or clubs do not remit any proceeds from the events and the bylaws prohibit National from supporting an event the RCDs are asked to discontinue the rebates. National pays for the annual competition awards which is the recognition for the support the entrants give to our organization.
5. The EBoard should look at realigning officers- elected and appointed- to see if there are some efficiencies in reducing the number of officers. The duties have been spread among the officers because we are an all volunteer organization. It is difficult enough to get volunteers for the offices now, but maybe combining duties and looking at outsourcing some of the responsibilities can be more cost effective. This recommendation will take some time too.

All of the items listed above are RECOMMENDATIONS. Nothing has been decided but thoughtful discussion needs to take place to reduce our expenses so that the budget will be more fiscally responsible.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05pm

Respectfully submitted

Deb Murphy  
NCCC Treasurer