



SOWDIV SCCA - Annual Meeting Carrollton, TX - January 13, 2018

Corporation President Cathy Barnard called the 2018 Annual meeting of the Southwest Division SCCA to order at 10:05 AM. We had 37 persons in attendance. We had a special guest, Mike Cobb, President of SCCA, who made a presentation at the end of our meeting.

Voting delegates present were:

Area 7 Director: Dan Helman

President: Cathy Barnard

Texas Region: RE Bob Neff

Proxy for Lone Star Region: Steve Hudson

Proxy for SW Louisiana Region: Mike Rogers

Proxy for Red River Region: John Lieberman

Proxy for Houston Region: Dan Helman

7 out of 12 voting members were present at the meeting, therefore a quorum was established. (Representatives from Alamo, Central Louisiana, Delta, South Texas Border, and West Texas Border were not present)

SOWDIV Officers were nominated and elected unopposed for 2018:

Charles Orea, (SOWDIV Vice President)

LisaKay Foyle, (SOWDIV Secretary)

Vince Hummer, (SOWDIV Treasurer)

Minutes from October meeting were approved (although they had already been approved by email vote).

Dan Helman – Director Area 7 – Report

Updates on the following statistics:

- Membership – Up 15% from 2017; approximately 46,500 members currently.
- Website – Ongoing process to prevent any quick fix patches and improve ease of use
 - SCCA Exposure – 1.2 Million hits/month
 - FB Page – 2.3 Million hits/year
 - Twitter – 20K/month
 - Instagram – 7.5K/ month
- Finances – Our Cost Allocation Project is getting better in understanding where our money goes and how it's spent.
 - The SCCA Board appointed K.J. Christopher as Treasurer for 2018
- SOLO/Rally Cross both had a record year for their National Championships
 - SOLO side had 75K+ entrants
 - Club Racing side had 29K+ entrants, including the Pro Series
 - Track Night in America had over 7500 entrants
 - Road Rally & Rally Cross had 600 entrants
 - Tire Rack Street Survival had over 1300 entrants

Run Off statistics are posted on our website.

Cathy Barnard, Presidents Report

The following people have agreed to fill (or continue to fill) the listed divisional positions for 2018:

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| Road Rally Steward – Sasha Lanz | Rally Cross Steward – Damon Guy Cuccia |
| Solo Safety Steward – John Lieberman | Solo Steward & Development Co'd – Peter Lindberg |
| Flagging & Comm – Bryan Gregory | Registration – Rosa Lee Smart |
| Grid – Sheila Thornburg | Tech – Patrick Jones |
| Timing & Scoring – Diane Carter | Licensing – Moses Smith |
| Starter – Ray Orr | Scheduling – Sydney Davis |
| Permanent Numbers – Sitara Wilson | Webmaster – Kenneth Baker |
| Radio – Edgar Martinez | |

Vince Hummer, Treasurer Report

Submitted SCCA SOWDIV Dec 31, 2017 Financial Statement

Money in bank, positive year.

Motion made by Mike Rogers; seconded by Steve Hudson. No opposition.

Fee Schedule report passed out to everyone; the only change is the Trophy fees and Vince will send out a revised schedule to all RE's. (attached to the same email as these minutes)

Motion by John Lieberman; seconded by Bob Neff. No opposition.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Peter Lindberg, Divisional Coordinator SOLO Group

Peter just relocated from the Houston Region to the Dallas area. In Houston for 2017, programs are doing well overall. Site issues are always a challenge and retention seems another one for both Texas & Houston Regions. Still trying to get in contact with Red River, Delta, Lone Star and Southwest Regions to get their numbers.

Sasha Lanz, Rally DA

We held 6 Rally events with one Rally school this past year, not a whole lot of Texas participation. We had a Rally in Austin but don't have any reporting from that area and will need to investigate. We now have 3 regions with some Rally activity and anticipate in holding more events for 2018. Also, looking into Gimmick Rally's. Richard Tomlin, Rally Executive from Houston Region held one earlier this year and had great participation and success. Richard is setting up another Gimmick Rally before our Annual Banquet, February 24, 2018.

Robey Clark, Road Racing

Emailed his report to Cathy which she read to the group. Some of the high points were:

A class change is now effective for 2018 Regional Road Race events --- SRF2 will be a Regional only class, and an FE2 will be added to our groups.

Robey asked Tom Brown to take a look at TMS track in Ft Worth and basically Tom found that TMS is okay with us using their track; however, there is about a \$16K fee to remove barriers in the back straight for weekend racing.

Diane Carter, Timing and Scoring

Emailed her report to Cathy which she did not have on hand for the meeting: however, it is now available to put in these minutes.

Diane will stay on as DA for Timing and Scoring for 2018. Her Budget requests are as follows (which easily fall in the Budget submitted and approved in these minutes): \$600 for computer, \$160 for printer supplies, \$75 for Battery backup & \$45 leftover expense from 2017 to send a T&S laptop to Texas Region.

RALLY CROSS:

No report submitted.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

1) SOWDIV appointed Greg Block (Houston Region) as the New Sound Control Chief. Cathy will work with him to get him quickly licensed for this position.

2) 2018 Budget:

Timing & Scoring - \$1,500

Sound – \$1,000

Tech – \$2,000

Registration – included in each Regions race budgets

Website – \$1,000

F&C Fire school – Doubled their 2017 budget (from \$1000 to \$2000) in order to purchase Electronic Boards.

Registration –no change

Rally/SOLO – \$500

Exec Steward Training – \$500

Administrative – \$500

Semi-Annual Meetings (2) - \$1000

Radios – \$4000 (to be reviewed when new radio proposal is complete.

Motion by Bob Neff to accept the 2018 budget with the knowledge that Radio is still gathering numbers for their budget. Seconded by Mike Rogers. No opposition.

- 3) Paul May submitted class changes and they are as follows:
- a) All Regional-only classes (including GTA) will reference and compete according to the current GCR only. The SOWDIV website will state this clearly above all other content.
 - b) Suspend the "Baby Grand" class. These cars do not meet GCR minimum requirements. (Possibly delete it from the website entirely?)
 - c) Change: Spec Porsche Boxter falls under the current GCR
 - d) Add: Retired Spec Racer Fords and Spec Renault-powered cars may compete with unsealed power trained components in the ASR class.
 - e) Update the PDF for the old Showroom Stock Spec RX7 class with the Spec RX7 guidelines from Rocky Mountain Division. Current SOWDIV Spec RX7 rules will apply to minimum ride height (4 3/8"). Minimum fuel cell capacity is 8 gallons. Add to list: Spec DRY & WET tire is Toyo RA1/R888 205/60R13.

I recommend these changes based on input from SOWDIV participants and SCCA approved (John Bauer, Topeka) regional rulesets. If approved, I recommend these changes be posted on the SOWDIV website within 30 days.

PLEASE NOTE: this submission was a report and NOT VOTED ON.

Additional comments:

2019 Scheduling Meeting; probable October 2018 timeframe. Will be hosted by the Lone Star Region in Austin and the information will be sent out as soon as we have it.

Recruitment: Jim Lowe represented Bryan Gregory F&C DA; recommended setting up a booth for recruitment at the Pirelli World Challenge at COTA in March 2018.

Dan Helman mentioned that COTA is opening up the Upper Paddock for spectators again in 2018 during the F1 event and that it would a good opportunity to set up an SCCA booth for recruitment.

Explanation of Green Power Event: a program that started in Alabama and taking place on Friday, April 6, 2018 at the South Padre Airport in Brownsville, Texas.

The 2017 Tony Predock Award was presented to Tom Brown for his support in the Club.

Dan Helman announced that Regions can now apply for a Track Night Grant Program is now available on the website and was announced on January 3, 2018. This is \$50K grant that will be awarded to the Region for training, equipment, and marketing of any pilot event. It is an application process. All this information is on our website.

Meeting adjourned by Cathy Barnard.

Post-meeting presentation:

Mike Cobb, SCCA President, made a presentation to the members, basically provided us with what may be our mission statement: “Serve the members and those who serve the members.”

Minutes originally taken by:

Rosa Lee Smart (Houston Region)

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

LisaKay Foyle, SOWDIV Secretary (with thanks to Rosa Lee for attending in my stead)