



## **SOWDIV SCCA - Annual Meeting Angleton, TX - January 12, 2019**

Corporation President Cathy Barnard called the 2019 Annual meeting of the Southwest Division SCCA to order at 10:01 AM. We had 39 persons in attendance. We had a roundtable discussion at the end of the meeting.

Voting delegates present were:

Area 7 Director: Dan Helman

President: Cathy Barnard

Proxy for Texas Region: Bob Neff

Lone Star Region: RE Jerry Wannarka

Proxy for SW Louisiana Region: Mike Rogers

Proxy for Red River Region: John Lieberman

Houston Region: Larry Svaton

7 out of 12 voting members were present or represented 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 2019 (Motion made by Jerry Wannarka, second by Mike Rogers, unanimous approval):

Charles Orea, (SOWDIV Vice President)

LisaKay Foyle, (SOWDIV Secretary)

Vince Hummer, (SOWDIV Treasurer)

Minutes from January 2018 Annual meeting were handed out as “reminders” from last year but required no vote as they had previously been approved by email vote.

### **Dan Helman – Director Area 7 – Report**

- Reminded everyone of the National Convention in Vegas next week; please attend if possible
- We should be proud that “one of our own”, Sydney Yagel, has been promoted to Senior Manager of Racing Operations - Pro Racing. Pro Racing is looking for an on-site Operations Manager (in Indiana).
- SCCA is in the process of bolstering all offices of SCCA: focusing on day-to-day processes and IT infrastructure.



**Cathy Barnard, Presidents Report**

The following people have agreed to fill (or continue to fill) the listed divisional positions for 2019:

Road Rally Steward – Sasha Lanz	Rally Cross Steward – Mike Jiang
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 (until replace is found)
Timing & Scoring – Diane Carter	Licensing – Moses Smith
Starter – Ray Orr (until replace is found)	Scheduling – Robey Clark
Permanent Numbers – Sitara Wilson	Webmaster – Kenneth Baker
Radio – Edgar Martinez	Sound – Greg Block

**Vince Hummer, Treasurer Report**

Submitted SCCA SOWDIV Dec 31, 2018 Financial Statement  
Money in bank, positive year.

Motion made by John Lieberman; second by Larry Svaton. Unanimous approval.

A discussion was started regarding how to best utilize existing funds in checking account, including funding some expenses that had not been able to be funded in the past. (See “new Business” for more). More discussion was tabled for future review.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:****Peter Lindberg, Divisional Coordinator SOLO Group**

Peter is currently working with those he knows but still trying to get in touch with the regions that are not showing any interest in being involved. However, since our Division is so large, it was not financially feasible for him to do so. He requested funds to help and that is reflected in the 2019 budget (included at the end of these minutes)

**Richard Tomlin (on behalf of Rally Group)**

Still building the Rally Group and they are having some success with the budding Time Trials that they are working on building up. Best success is when they are paired with a Road Race. Will have more data next year.



**Larry Svaton (on behalf of Road Racing) Robey Clark, Road Racing**

No class or group changes.

A change will be made to the 2019 SWRRC rules that removes sentence 2 from Section 6 (see updated rules at the end of these minutes) to clarify what will be the “last race of the year”. Since this decision changes a document that has already been published, a vote needed to be taken. Motion made by Bob Neff; second by Larry Svaton. There were 2 voting members “against” the decision, and 5 voting members “for” the decision. Therefore, the motion was carried with a majority vote.

**Diane Carter, Timing and Scoring**

Everything is going along solidly and Diane commends Texas Region on gathering a group of people that have been able to learn the T&S system so they can handle their own races without her having to travel to each one.

**RALLY CROSS:**

Mike Jiang was present and gave us an update; the first in many years. He informed the Board that the Rally Cross Steward of Record (Damon Guy Cuccia) had not been involved in more than 5 years and that he was the only one that was trying to grow the Rally Cross program throughout the whole state. He stated he didn't know how much longer he could do it alone and requested that the crowd reach out to anyone that might be interested in helping him.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

2018 Points allocation – this was discussed at the October scheduling meeting but voted on by email since we did not have a quorum at that meeting.

It was decided, by email, that the first race on Sunday, Sept 2, at MSR Houston, was the last race used to calculate points (double) and close out the 2018 SOWDIV race season. This was in an attempt to clear up any confusion since the “last race” that had previously been scheduled at Eagles Canyon was canceled.

2019 Points allocation: see Road Racing Report above

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) SOWDIV President Cathy Barnard reviewed current DA positions (listed above under her report) and a few are looking for replacements.
- 2) 2019 Budget: See 2019 budget (labeled “estimated”) at the end of these minutes. The items in orange are actual approved budgeted items and the items in yellow are normal year-to-year operating expenses. The income column is based on previous years events and is only an estimate.

Motion by Bob Neff; second by Jerry Wannarka. Unanimous approval.



- 3) It was generally discussed that only the Annual Meeting would be held publicly from now on. All other meetings will attempt to be held under the category of "special meetings" (email and/or telephone conference) to save people time and money. The next Annual Meeting will be held in the Texas Region; time and date to be confirmed by RE Matt Lucas.
- 4) It was generally discussed that a committee be formed to start working towards a goal of having a "SOWDIV Convention" every year. Possibly a one/two day meeting that would include all areas of expertise (training, getting to know what each entail, etc) that would also be a fun event and possibly bring in new members and/or get current members involved in a specialty. Rosa Lee Smart volunteered to head up this committee.
- 5) Bylaws Revisions were presented to the Board. Although there was a discussion at the September 2018 Scheduling meeting that the 30-year-old Bylaws did need an update, notice was not sent out by the Secretary with the proposed changes until January 3, 2019.
  - a) According to the current Bylaws (Article XII), if the Bylaws are to be altered, amended or repealed, the Directors must be given 30 days written notice. Area Director Dan Helman tabled the discussion and requested that, when the 30 days have passed, that any Bylaw discussion occur only between the Board members. The Board members (and/or proxies) that were present at the Annual Meeting will again receive the proposed changes on or after February 3, 2019 and discussion will commence either by email and/or phone conference. A "special meeting" will then be convened, by email, for a vote.

The 2018 Tony Predock Award was presented to Texas Region outgoing RE Bob Neff for his support, drive, loyalty and build-up of his Region and for his overall support to the Southwest Division.

Meeting adjourned by President Cathy Barnard at 1:05pm

**Minutes respectfully submitted by:**  
LisaKay Foyle, SOWDIV Secretary

