

**SOUTHWEST DIVISION SCCA
Scheduling Meeting
Buda, Texas
July 18, 2015**

It is acknowledged that this document provides the highlights of each discussion topic and is not intended to be a complete transcript. Additional notes will remain on file with the division records. Also it is not intended to be chronological.

The meeting was held at Cabelas, 15570 S. IH 35, Buda, Texas, 78610. The Lone Star Region hosted the meeting. The format was to conduct the Scheduling Meeting and convene a special business meeting as needed to entertain and vote on motions.

Corporation President Tom Brown called the meeting of the Southwest Division - SCCA to order at 10:10 AM.

Voting delegates were:

Bob Neff (Texas Region)
Mike Rogers (Southwest Louisiana Region)
Sydney Davis (Houston Region)
Tom Brown, SOWDIV President
John Lieberman (Red River Region)
Steve Holloway (Lone Star Region)

Also present were:

Vice President, Charles Orean
Treasurer, Vince Hummer
Secretary, Mary Hummer

Many other members attended as non-voting participants.

Minutes of the January 2015 Corporate Meeting and the January 2015 Roundtable Meeting were approved via email vote following the meetings.

Treasurer, Vince Hummer, presented the 2015 Mid-year financial statement. A copy of the report is retained on file.

Director's Report - Dan Helman (via email)

- Membership continues to see growth of 2 - 3% annually.
- Financials through June are running slightly ahead of budget on NOI.
- Runoff registration for Daytona begins July 22 and there will be an opportunity to do a trial run to make sure the information on the system is correct and complete before doing actual registration. Details to be on the website.
- Communication will be forthcoming regarding the emergency worker situation at Daytona. At the moment, no SCCA emergency workers will be needed to staff the runoffs due to Daytona requiring all those personnel are their workers.

- The convention is back to Vegas. January was the only date we could secure for 2016. Work is being done to improve the content for training and leadership development.
- Track Night in America (TNIA) - the first 6 months have been successful for the majority of events. 80% of them have exceeded our breakeven expectations. We will continue to look at venues and dates for undersubscribed events. Net income through 6 months in about \$70k including sponsorship monies and grants from Tire Rack and FIA.
- TNIA - about 60% are not SCCA members, 40% are under 35 years old and about 22% have never been on a track before.

Committee Reports

- Rally - no report.
- Solo Report - Phil Osborne introduced himself as the new Solo Director.
- Website - SCCA National has a new website. Houston Region has the template and is migrating information. Rick Meyers has the template. Regions can request access from him.
- No other committee reports were presented.

Old Business

2015 Race Program

- The November race will be held at Texas World Speedway, and will be co-hosted by the Lone Star and Texas Regions.
- Possibly look at moving our July SOWDIV meeting out a couple months due to the Pro Racing Schedule. Pro series is given scheduling preference at tracks, so we are not able to finalize the schedule by July.

Track Updates

- MSR Houston is available. It has a new owner and changes are being made to the track. No dates have been scheduled for 2016.
- NOLA is available. Possibly run a joint event with NASA (discount if we run their race groups with ours)? Entry fees would be \$300-400 due to limited entries. Look at scheduling 2 dates at NOLA (NOLA Majors w/ Southeast Region, and Regionals).
- Texas World Speedway is open through the end of this year.
- Circuit of the Americas is not working with the Lone Star Region.
- Bluebonnet has secured additional funding (\$9 million line of credit) and now has a total of \$18 million to spend. They are investigating another location in Washington County.
- Eagles Canyon's paving is rough. Many of the drivers do not wish to race on such a rough surface. Texas Region feels they cannot run an event there at the present time without losing money due to lack of entries. Thus, no plans in the near term for scheduling an Eagles Canyon race.
- Texas Motor Speedway has an interest in SCCA coming back. Working on a budget to make a profit for 100 cars. Is there a level of interest to get 100 cars? The inner loop has been inspected and the paving is improved.

- MSR Cresson lacks space making it difficult to consider the track for a full regional or Majors Series race.
- Hallett - we could run a joint region race with the Oklahoma Region.
- Sean Michael briefed the group about a new 2 mile track being built at the old Bandera Downs horse track.

Run Off Qualifications

- Majors - top 3 in points.
- Local regional points - top 3.
- Top 5 in SRF & SM.
- Top 3 in Majors fall out of regionals.

New Business

2016 Proposed Race Schedule

- Tentatively 2 races at NOLA and 2 races at MSRH.
- The proposed schedule for 2016 will be completed by September 1st and will be approved by email.

Race Groups

- We are set up to run 6, 5, 4, or 2 run groups.
- It is open to the racing regions to run an Enduro with modified rules. Licensing and car rules are relaxed. Local sups handle the rules and there is a different type of scoring.

Classes

- No changes.

Break for lunch- 11:40 a.m.

Reconvene - 12:25 p.m.

New Business (continued)

Mid-year Equipment Needs

- The Flag Chief requested \$1000 for a fire school in January or February. The need will be reassessed in January at our regular meeting.
- Three possible options were suggested to address issues with our radios (below). Tom will clarify what is needed and come back to the group with a proposal in January.
 - o Rent radios for approximately \$300 per weekend.
 - o Upgrade radios at a cost of approximately \$10,000.
 - o Purchase 2 new external antennas (Approximate cost \$200) and bring them to events or permanently install them.

Tony Predock Award

- Mary Hummer will forward a reminder to all Southwest Division Board Members to ask for nominations and explain the criteria for the award.
- Anyone can submit a nomination.
- All nominations should be sent to Division Secretary, Mary Hummer, by late October/early November.

- The award is generally presented to the recipient at the January Board meeting.

Other

Southwest Division Convention

- Sydney Davis will send a survey to our members to assess interest.
- Training for all specialties will be included.

Stewards

- New stewards are needed.
- Art Tarpley is currently in training.

National Convention

- Scheduled for January 21-22, 2016.

The Houston Region is scheduled to host the January 2016, meeting. Details will be provided as the date approaches.

Motion to adjourn meeting (Lieberman/Davis). Motion passed unanimously
Meeting adjourned 12:40 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Hummer
Secretary