

SOLO BOARD MEETING 3/2/2009 @ C2 Motorsports

Present: M. Contour, W. Leach, R. Perry, R. Robinson, L. Chan, J. Lonsdale, W. Schiller, L. Dennstedt, M. Vazquez, S. Licata, S. Schmidt, M. Duerst, R. Chapman, Mz. Ann Pease, Underdahl

Call to order: Mr. Contour @ 7:02 pm.

Minutes from February meeting: Accepted.

Treasurer's report: Balance reviewed. Report accepted.

Equipment report: One speaker quit so Mr. Lonsdale promptly fixed it. A broken handle on a fire extinguisher was also fixed. The extinguishers need to be inspected and pressure checked costing \$20 ea. A \$12-25 annual cost is anticipated to keep the extinguishers up to spec.

Timing and scoring: No major problems.

Sound report: Nothing new.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT: Nothing new.

NOVICE REPORT: Nothing new.

WAIVER REPORT: Nothing to report.

Lot report: Nothing to report

Past events:

- Mr. Leach attended the SCCA annual convention in Las Vegas where SDR won the award for highest growth in a large region. 56% of new SCCA members are under age 35. A new "HARD CARD" will be optional for SCCA regions, but mandatory @ Nationals and Tour events. The hard card resembles a credit card and is typically worn on a lanyard around the neck and will replace the wristband required for entry to an event. It will cost \$10 and must be witnessed by a notary or an SCCA registrar. The bar code on the card will be useful for registration for regions so equipped. Mr. Leach attended several working sessions and found them to be very informative. The SCCA wants somebody with an "SFI" license at every event to be involved with the official rules. Insurance went down this year, possibly because all "incidents" are not being reported. Most "incidents" occur on the grid, slaloms and at the finish. Cars that require a push start cause a lot of problems on the grids.
- The SDAD event on Feb 15 had 159 entrants with no incidents reported. The course was well liked, especially when compared to the last course set by SDAD! There is no fee to file a protest. SDAD inquired as to whether the other four clubs were relatively breaking

even financially on their events. SCAT recently had 149 entrants, SCNAX had 145 and TART had 140 to breakeven.

Upcoming Events:

- SCNAX has a practice and championship on Mar 7 & 8 with practice already full and the event ready to go.
- The TART practice on Mar 14 will favor those participating in the Tour event with Eliot Shev officiating as Safety Steward.
- The National Tour event will occur from Mar 20-22 and the signed contract has come back with the course map approved. The chiefs are in place and the signups are currently in the “high 170s”, likely down from previous years. The fee will increase from \$90 to \$130 this weekend. The trailer will arrive on Thursday night and the course will be set Friday morning. Mr. Chan has 150-175 cones in good shape and will be procuring 100 small cones and 125 large cones. SDR will also set up Test ‘n tune course for the EVO school and will be able to run that course, for profit, from 11 AM on.
- DCCSD will host a championship event on April 26.

Old Business:

- There were two votes on issues pertaining to the FSAE car: A) The hosting club will waive the \$10 fee from the weekend membership fee, passed 5-0; B) Entrants will be charged \$15, half price, with the region making up the difference, passed 5-0.
- Mr. Chan passed around new run group classifications to better balance the run groups.
- 2009 supp regs were distributed to board members.

New business:

- The E board believes that the administration of all events should be a standardized requirement for all clubs. A suggestion was made to write a proposal for the clubs to vote upon whereby events would open and close registration and tech at specific required times so that all participants could be certain of the rules. Individual clubs would have the freedom to extend the minimum hours at their discretion. This can go out to the clubs for discussion. This concerns item 3.1.1B with the intent to run events in a consistent manner. A vote on part A (Should there be a minimum time?) went 4-1 with SCAT dissenting. A vote on part B (Should the minimum time be 7:30 Am to 12:00 noon for registration and tech?) also went 4-1 with SCAT again dissenting. The time requirement should go into the rule book amending 3.1.1B.
- Mr. Contour received correspondence from the SCCA regarding speed at a recent event. Be careful not to set courses “too fast”.

Meeting adjourned: Mr. Contour @ 8:25 PM.