New Jersey Chapter of BMW CCA Board Meeting June 13, 2012

Board members present: Larry Engel, Jeff White, Ron Gemeinhardt, Jerry Faber, Doug Feigel, Al Drugos, Neil Gambony, Ross Karlin, Colin Vozeh, Ron Acher, Dave Allaway. Board member absent: Paul Ngai. Others present: Vic Lucariello, Elihu Savad, Jamie Kavalieros, Brian Morgan, Marc Goeller.

President

Larry Engel called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM at Alfonso's in Somerville. Larry moved to accept the May minutes as distributed and Al Drugos seconded (carried unanimously). Larry reported that the TireRack Street Survival (TSS) school was a success and received excellent comments. Larry thanked all those who participated, and especially Ross Karlin for obtaining the venue at no cost. Larry requested receipts for any expenses. Larry noted that a \$250 donation had been made to the Franklin Lakes Volunteer Fire Department and that the next TSS is 9/30. Larry reported that the Chapter Toolbox transfer has been completed and Jeff Caldwell will update the inventory and provide suggestions.

Vice-President

On behalf of Paul Ngai, Larry reported that the Biergarten and Car Show was a huge success. The next monthly meeting will be 7/19 at Deutscher Club of Clark (DCC) with All In The Details as guest presenter. An August car show at Prestige BMW is being worked on (a Saturday TBD). September will be at JMK BMW on 9/27, with possibly a GrandAm speaker. Book author Ingrid Steffensen has been confirmed as guest speaker on 10/18 at DCC.

Treasurer

Ron Gemeinhardt distributed and reviewed the year-to-date financial reports (income & expense and balance sheet). Ron noted that membership sign-ups at autocross events are being recorded under dues income and expense. Ron noted a long-standing issue with reconciling the fixed-asset balance, which he will investigate. It was noted that the Westlake School has received our donation check.

Social Events

Al Drugos reported that 8/15 will be the date for our TD Ballpark evening, and that he needs an estimate of the number of attendees.

Newsletter

Jerry Faber noted that the July newsletter deadline is next week. Jerry requested a write-up on the Biergarten event, and it was agreed that Paul Ngai will provide an article and Doug Feigel will provide photos. Brian Morgan will provide photos of the Thunderbolt club race and Jeff White will provide the event story. Photo releases are still needed back from the Westlake School and Ross will follow-up.

Website

Colin Voseh noted that he will update the officers page. Colin requested event photos for the website. It was decided that we would retain ownership of the .com, .org and .net domain names. After discussion, it was decided that Colin will add forums for 2002 & Classic and for 1-Series. It was noted that we are still planning on changing web-hosting service in the coming months.

Business Manager

Doug Feigel reported that advertising is going better than expected. We had projected an increase from \$16K to \$18K, and we are now at \$25K. Open Road has renewed, with new ad copy. JMK had requested full-page color ads, but we have only black & white pages available. It was agreed that we would provide JMK with a color ad in next month's extra-page newsletter, at no additional cost (see following). Plymouth Rock has requested an advertising insert. As per our contract, we will provide an extra-page issue and Plymouth Rock will cover postage.

Driving Events

Niel Gambony reported that the Champ Series awards have been given out. Jeff White reported on Thunderbolt and estimated a \$8K profit, giving us a \$10K profit year-to-date (\$1,500 over estimate). The Board credited Jeff with managing an especially complex and glitch-free event. Jeff reported that Summit Point is about half-full, with race registration not yet open. MotorsportReg now has membership verification capability, but it is not usable due to a single membership limitation. Ross reported that the Thunderbolt charity auction yielded \$1,800 plus \$1,500 in direct donations. The Board especially thanked Larry Fletcher for his generosity. Vic Lucariello thanked those who helped with tech at Thunderbolt, enabling us to run two lines and reduce wait time.

Autocross

Elihu Savad reported that the first autocross of the season at TD Ballpark last month went smoothly, but with lower than expected turnout. Elihu expressed concern that we have no dates after 8/19, due to possible

construction at TD Ballpark. He is seeking alternate venues for September and October. Elihu noted that SCCA PAX indexing factors are becoming increasingly complex. There was a follow-up for the Autocross Committee on this, and whether X-class entrants are eligible for the Champ Series.

Old Business

Doug reported that the expired helmets had been destroyed and disposed of. Doug also reported that the phone system and voice-mail are working properly. It was noted, in response to a prior inquiry from Vic Lucariello, that Mo Karamat now has the scales.

New Business

Ron Acher distributed and reviewed statistics from this year's blast e-mails. Doug asked about the logo on letterhead and it was agreed that we would continue to use the old logo. The next Board meeting was set for Wednesday 7/11 at Alfonso's. Jeff moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:29 PM and Al seconded (carried unanimously).

Respectfully submitted, Dave Allaway, Secretary