# New Jersey Chapter of BMW CCA Board Meeting June 28, 2017

Board members present: Jeff Caldwell, Bob Isbitski, Colin Vozeh, Ross Karlin, Marc Goeller, Jeff White, Dave Allaway, Ron Gemeinhardt, Vic Lucariello, Jr., Jamie Kavalieros. Board members absent: Neil Gambony, Jerry Faber. Others present: Paul Ngai, Doug Feigel, Stan Mayer, Blake Smith, Larry Engel, Elihu Savad, Brian Morgan, Warren Brown, Ron Acher, Kevin Sheehy.

## President

Jeff Caldwell called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM at Alfonso's in Somerville, and requested to keep the meeting short. Ross Karlin motioned to accept the May minutes as distributed and Jeff White seconded (carried unanimously). Jeff Caldwell thanked Jeff White and Ross Karlin for a good event and banquet at NJMP Lightning (to benefit the Westlake School). Jeff also thanked Larry Engel for a successful Tire Rack Street Survival (TRSS) school on Sunday. Jeff will do another e-mail this weekend covering the Deutscher Club of Clark (DCC) car show and our autocross on the 16th.

## Vice President

Marc Goeller thanked Bob Isbitski and Larry Engel for their assistance with a very good meeting at BMW NA. It was a nice event, as always. NJ Chapter thanks were also extended to Oleg Satanovsky, Product Communications Manager at BMW NA. Our 7/7 car show at the DCC Biergarten event already has 5 or more cars registered in each of the categories. Marc would welcome any assistance, starting at 4:30 PM. Our Show & Shine at the DCC is 8/10. Jeff Caldwell suggested using Evite to get a better estimate on attendees and food, and he will set this up. The tentative September meeting is at BMW of Bridgewater, with a representative from Dinan Engineering. A tentative October meeting is at a horse farm. The Hamilton Jewelers Watch Fair was supported by us with an e-mail. They are now a sponsor. The Pinewood Derby and board elections are scheduled for Tuesday 12/5 at DCC (booked during the meeting).

# **Driving Events**

Larry Engel reported that we received good responses from students and parents on our recent TRSS school. We had two representatives from SCCA in attendance and they are planning a TRSS school at Bader Field on 8/19. Larry would like to offer help with instructors (scheduling conflict with our autocross noted). Our next TRSS school will be 9/24 at Campgaw Reservation. Neil Gambony is still looking for a Rallymaster for the Whack-Your-Turkey Rally in November.

## **Driver Schools and Club Racing**

Jeff White reported a good event at NJMP Lightning, with probably a net loss of \$3,100. Jeff Caldwell thanked the sponsors including Hamilton Jewelers, Circle BMW, BimmerWorld, Turner Motorsports, VAC Motorsports, Tyspeed Automotive, Cora Kiceniuk and the Kid's Koalition. Thanks to individual and small business donations, and live and silent auctions, approximately \$7,000 was raised for the Westlake School. We already have 50 students registered for Summit Point, out of 60 slots. We also have 18 to 20 racers registered, and are hoping for 35 to 40.

### **Autocross**

Elihu Savad reported on the schedule for the remainder of the season: 7/16 (Sunday) at TD Bank Ballpark, 8/19 (Saturday) at NJ Expo & Convention Center, 9/16 (Saturday) with SCCA at the Meadowlands, and 10/15 (Sunday) at TD Bank Ballpark.

# **Social Events**

Vic Lucariello, Jr. reported that he has Saturday 3/10/18 on hold for a get-together and awards event at Reeves-Reed Arboretum in Summit. Cost will be approximately \$1,000 for the venue and \$60 per person for wine & cheese, craft beers and hot hors d'oeuvres, all inclusive. The event would be 4 to 7 PM. Paul Ngai noted that the VDC tour is tentatively Saturday 3/24/18.

## Treasurer

Ron Gemeinhardt distributed the current financials. Receipts for NJMP Lightning are not all in. When finalized, Ron will send a detailed accounting with a letter to DelVal to split the cost. We are averaging a \$1,000 loss per autocross, which is an improvement. The Officers & Directors insurance policy has been paid.

#### **Newsletter Editor**

Jerry Faber reported, via e-mail, that for the next Bulletin he is looking for 500 word write-ups on meetings, driver schools and autocrosses, and photos. He also needs a President's column.

# Members-at-Large

Bob Isbitski reported that everything is set for our autocross at Bimmerfest East (7/29-30). The NY Chapter has also offered assistance. We will cover the power cost (\$150). We gained 22 new members (all NJ area) at the BMW of Bridgewater event. Total receipts, including merchandise sales, were approximately \$2,000. Lou Ann Shirk requested assistance at Lime Rock Park for the IMSA Northeast Grand Prix (7/21-22). We declined due to our Summit Point race/school.

#### **New Business**

There was a brief discussion, with Kevin Sheehy, on social media-based marketing for the NJ Chapter. He will be pursuing this. It was decided to forgo a July board meeting. The next board meeting was set for 7:30 PM on Wednesday 8/23 at Alfonso's. Ross Karlin motioned to adjourn at 8:45 PM and Jeff White seconded (carried unanimously).

Respectfully submitted, Dave Allaway, Secretary